

83rd Annual

Wastewater Operations Conference

mn MINNESOTA POLLUTION
CONTROL AGENCY

March 25-27, 2020

Marriott Northwest,
7025 Northland Drive N.
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota



Mankato Wastewater Treatment Plant

Breakout sessions

- A/B/C/D Exam Refreshers
- Type IV (Biosolids) Refresher
- Pumps & Controls
- New Technologies & the Problems They Solved
- Combating Climate Change
- Workplace/Personnel Strategies
- Pretreatment & Industrial WW
- DMRs
- Safety & Security
- LSTS/SSTS
- Regulations
- New Plants/Upgrades
- Opportunities: Transitioning to a Watershed Approach
- Pathway to a Win – Win – Win: for you, the Agency, and the Environment
- Infrastructure Opportunities/Success Stories
- Laboratory
- Emerging Issues
- Activated Sludge/Treatment Optimization
- Retirement
- Ponds
- Maintain/Repair/Upgrade: Keeping Your Systems in Service

Certification & Training Unit
3rd Flr / Annaliza Heesch
520 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

Conference highlights

Contact hours and attendance

The MPCA cannot award contact hours unless the operator is in attendance. Contact hours are individually awarded based on each operator's daily arrival and departure time. Operators not attending the full conference may need to attend additional training to gain adequate renewal hours. You must attend the entire conference to earn 16 contact hours.

A/B & C/D exam refreshers

You must preregister for the A/B refresher by checking the appropriate box on the registration form. The class size is limited to the first **50 participants** to register.

To register for the C/D refresher, select the appropriate box on the registration form.

Please bring a pencil and a non-programmable calculator. Smart phones and programmable calculators are not allowed during the exam. Please note that the classes will provide a review of information, but are not intended as a substitute for prior studying.

Certification examinations

Certification exams will be given Friday morning from **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Eligible operators intending to take the exam must complete and mail a separate exam application and application fee on or before **March 10**. Exam applications are available at: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/wastewater-operators-training-and-certification>.

Questions? Contact Tracy Finch at 651-757-2103, 1-800-657-3864 or tracy.finch@state.mn.us.

Wastewater examination \$55.00
Certificate issuance after examination ... \$45.00

Facility Operational Awards Open House

Operator awards will be presented Wednesday afternoon from **2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Please join us in celebrating the achievements of your fellow professionals in the industry.

Conference at-a-glance

Registration 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 25	Thursday, March 26	Friday, March 27
8:00 a.m. Plenary Session Speaker	8:00 a.m. • A/B Exam Refresher	7:30 a.m. Operator's breakfast
9:00 a.m. • A/B Exam Refresher • C/D Exam Refresher • Pumps & Controls • New Technologies & the Problems They Solved • Combating Climate Change • Workplace/Personnel Strategies • Pretreatment & Industrial WW	• C/D Exam Refresher • Regulations • New Plants/Upgrades • Opportunities: Transitioning to a Watershed Approach • Type IV (Biosolids) Refresher	8:00 a.m. Certification exams (exams end at 12:00 p.m.)
11:30 a.m. Lunch <i>(Lunch times are based on which morning sessions you're attending.)</i>	11:30 a.m. Lunch	8:00 a.m. • Emerging Issues • Activated Sludge/Treatment Optimization • Retirement • Ponds • Maintain/Repair/Upgrade: Keeping Your Systems in Service
12:00 p.m. Lunch	12:30 p.m. • A/B Exam Refresher • C/D Exam Refresher • Pathway to a Win – Win – Win: for you, the Agency and the Environment • Infrastructure Opportunities/Success Stories • Laboratory • Type IV (Biosolids) Refresher	12:00 p.m. Conference adjourns (no lunch)
12:30 p.m. • Safety & Security • DMRs • LSTS/SSTS	4:30 p.m. Sessions adjourn	To receive 16 contact renewal hours, you must attend the entire 2 ½ days and sign the attendance sheets at the end of every session you attend.
12:30 p.m. • A/B Exam Refresher • C/D Exam Refresher		
12:30 Vendor/Professional Organization Exhibits*		
2:00 p.m. Wastewater Treatment Facility Operational Awards Open House		
4:30 p.m. Sessions adjourn		
*Vendor/Professional exhibits run until 4:30 p.m.		

Registration questions?

Contact Annaliza Heesch at 651-757-2591 or 1-800-657-3864 or annaliza.heesch@state.mn.us.

Hotel

The Marriott Northwest has reserved a block of rooms at a special conference rate of \$164.68 (*tax already included*) until **February 26, 2020**. Call 763-536-8300 or 1-877-303-1681 to make reservations. Mention the MPCA Wastewater Operations Conference to get the special rate.



Wastewater Operations Conference Registration for Attendees and Exhibitors

Required information – print clearly

Legal name _____

Business/employer _____

Home address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Preferred email _____

Select day(s) registration: Wed (\$130) Thur (\$130) Fri (\$130)

Dietary lunch needs (describe below):

Check all that apply:

- Sign me up for **A/B Exam Refresher** (Limit 50)
- Sign me up for **C/D Exam Refresher** (No Limit)
- Sign me up for the **Type IV (Biosolids) Refresher**

	Postmark by 3/10/20	Postmark after 3/10/20	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Attendee	\$390	\$415	
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor <i>Exhibitor fee + 1 door prize</i>	\$390	\$415	
Exhibitor booth choice	1.	2.	3.

Training registration does not include exam application or exam fee. Please submit exam application and exam fee separately.

Payment

Check or government P.O. # _____ made payable to Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Mail registration with check/PO payment to:



Minnesota Pollution Control Agency ATTN: Fiscal - 6
520 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194

Credit card Visa Mastercard Amount \$ _____

Name on card _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email receipt to _____

Card # _____

Exp. date _____ **3-digit security code** _____

Cardholder signature _____

Person taking class _____

Fax registration with credit card payment to 651-205-4594.

You may complete this form electronically and then print and mail or fax it with your payment. Do not email it as an attachment with credit card information!

Exhibitor information

Vendor exhibits will be held **Wednesday, March 25, from 12:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Exhibit set-up begins at 11:00 a.m.** Information is available here and on the MPCA website at www.pca.state.mn.us/training.

For exhibitors registering and paying by **March 10**, the cost per booth is \$390 **plus one door prize**; after **March 10**, registration cost is \$415 **plus one door prize. Door prize must be of a \$50 value or greater.**

All booths have eight-foot tables. **If you need electricity, contact the hotel directly at 763-536-8300. Note: the hotel charges extra for electricity.**

Use the diagram at right to select a booth. Indicate your top three choices on the registration form. We will do our best to provide you with one of your choices.

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