

VIDEO 1: WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION - MPCA SSTS ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING

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Introduction

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Overview of Basic Administrative Information

Talk 1 of 13

Introduction; Overview

Topics for today

Why SSTS regulations matter

How MPCA supports local government SSTS programs

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THE IMPORTANCE OF SSTS REGULATION

Why regulate SSTS? How MPCA supports local SSTS programs

SSTS regulation

Why SSTS regulations matter

- Public health protection
- Public safety
- Healthy environment

How MPCA supports local government SSTS programs

- Framework
- Staff
- Funding

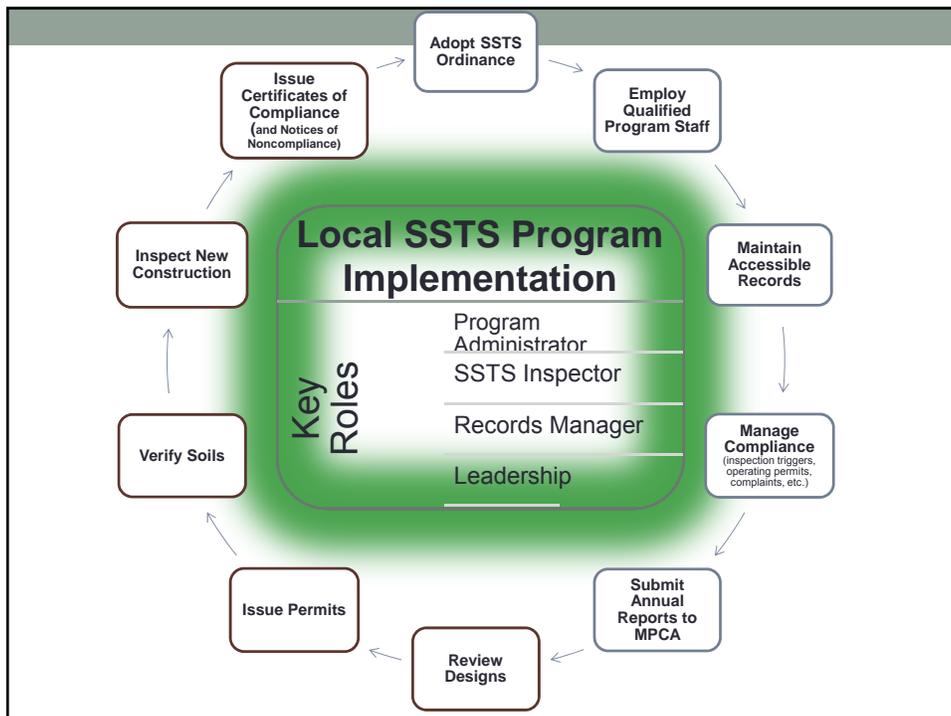
Local role is critical

- Importance of local SSTS programs
 - Key to SSTS implementation in Minnesota
- Need local political support
- Need will and desire to have an effective SSTS program
 - Political support
 - Technical staff
 - Administrative support
 - Legal
- MPCA supports local SSTS programs to be successful
 - 545,000+ SSTS in Minnesota
 - 25% of population



EXPECTATIONS FOR LOCAL SSTS PROGRAMS

LOCAL SSTS PROGRAM FRAMEWORK



OVERVIEW

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Process

Steps to follow

- Print material from website
- Watch all the videos
- Answer the questions at the end of each talk – question sheet in the handouts

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Summary

- About 25% of the population in Minnesota rely on SSTS; there are about 546,000 systems generating 37 billion gallons of sewage each year.
- Support by local officials is absolutely necessary to have a successful SSTS program.
- SSTS regulation assures that systems are built to high standards by trained, competent practitioners to protect public health and the environment.
- The local role in SSTS is critical; MPCA is here to assist.
- Local SSTS programs require a broad range of administrative and technical activities to run a good program.