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From the Chair

Dear Members

2024 was another busy year for the on-site industry in Nova Scotia. We play a significant role in maintaining the quality of health, safety, and environmental sustainability in the province. Our members provide a valuable service for the public.

We continue to work closely with Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change to provide training for those working in the field. There were over one hundred participants that attended training courses this year for Qualified Person and Installer. We provided self study training materials for those taking the Septic Tank Cleaner and Portable Restroom Operator exam. We held regional meetings across the province for Installers and Qualified Persons and held a Septic

communicate with others about their own work and our industry. Our AGM in April was an opportunity for the board of directors and members to come together to review our performance and future goals.

We look forward to working together in the New Year. Thank you for your work and commitment to our industry. To you and your families, I wish you a joyful festive season and all the best in the New Year.

Eric Morse, P. Eng., NSLS
Chair, WWNS

2025 Membership Renewal

WWNS membership applications for 2025 are available in the Members section of our website. You can also complete the membership application by clicking the button below.

[Become a Member](#)

2025 Regional Meetings

Registration for the 2025 Regional Meetings is now available. Please choose a location that works for you and send in the pre-registration form by January 10, 2025, to office@wwns.ca.

Below is the schedule for the regional meetings in 2025.

January 15, 9:00 – 12:00

Best Western Glengarry, 150 Willow Street, Truro

January 21, 9:00 – 12:00

Holiday Inn, 300 Esplanade Street, Sydney

January 22, 9:00 – 12:00

Maritime Inn, 717 Reeves Street, Port Hawkesbury

January 23, 9:00 – 12:00

Claymore Inn and Suites, 137 Church Street, Antigonish

February 3, 9:00 – 12:00

Rodd Grand, 417 Main Street, Yarmouth

February 4, 9:00 – 12:00

Digby Pines, 103 Shore Road, Digby

February 5, 9:00 -12:00

Best Western Plus, 527 Nova Scotia Trunk 10, Cookville, Lunenburg County

February 6, 9:00 -12:00

Old Orchard Inn, 153 Greenwich S, Wolfville

February 18, 9:00 -12:00

Business and Innovation Centre, 5 Ratchford Street, Amherst

February 19, 9:00 -12:00

Comfort Hotel Bayer's Lake, 88 Chain Lake Drive, Halifax

You may also attend the January 15, 2025, meeting in Truro through Zoom. The meeting link is included below.

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81120942790?pwd=8lfOcePdCdAJbajBHha1UJelxCgK53.1>

AGM and Septic Pumper Expo

The Septic Pumpers Expo will take place on April 11, 2025 and the WWNS Annual General Meeting on April 12, 2025 at the Best Western Glengarry in Truro. Registration information for these events will be sent in the new year. To make a room reservation, you can call the Glengarry and provide the group name Waste Water when making your reservation.

Training

If you are interested in Installer, Qualified Person or Septic Pumper and Portable Restroom Operator training, please submit the Training Information form found on the website or by clicking link above. You will be notified when the dates are set for classroom training in 2025.

[Training form](#)

PDP Cycle

The last year in the Professional Development Process (PDP) cycle is 2024 for Qualified Persons, Septic Tank Cleaners and Portable Restroom Operators. You can login into the website wwns.ca to see your PDP points or you can contact Waste Water Nova Scotia office to inquire on your PDP points. You will need your membership number to login to Member Profile section of website. You can contact the WWNS office if you require your member number.

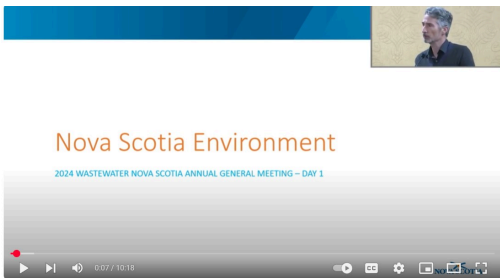
Certification renewals are issued by Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change at the end of each PDP cycle. Qualified Persons are required to have

regional meeting and the Annual General Meeting as well as being a member of WWNS each year. Membership is 10 points, Regional Meetings are 15 points, Septic Pumper Expo is 10 points, and the AGM is 10 points. If you do not have the required points for this cycle, you can earn additional points by:

Paying membership for a year you have missed during the cycle (2020-2024).

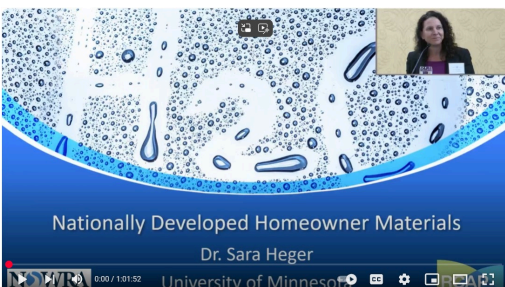
If you missed the following meetings, recordings are available of the 2024 Septic Pumpers Expo, 2023 Annual General Meeting, 2023 Regional Meeting and 2022 Annual General Meeting. After viewing the recordings, you must submit the attendance form to be credited with the associated points. You may also submit any additional training you may have taken during the PDP period to have a point value assigned. This training should be industry related but may include occupational health and safety courses like First Aid, WHMIS, etc. Training attendance forms for additional points are to be submitted by December 28, 2024.

2024 Septic Pumpers Expo (10 pts)



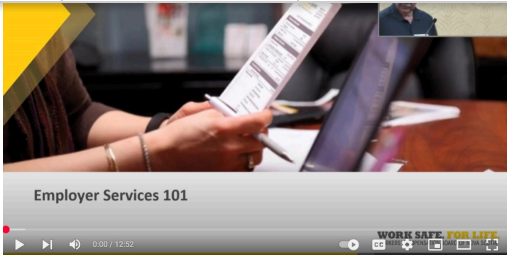
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2023 Annual General Meeting (10 pts)



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After the COI

- Submitting the COI is not necessarily mission accomplished
- ▶ The final cover and seed/sod is still required by the Standard. ECC will respond on a complaint driven basis
 - ▶ System MUST be protected from erosion until vegetation is established or risk compliance issues related to sedimentation/erosion.
 - ▶ Education for homeowner could be developed to help in seed/sod reinstatement as often they will take on or assist in that task (watering, etc.)

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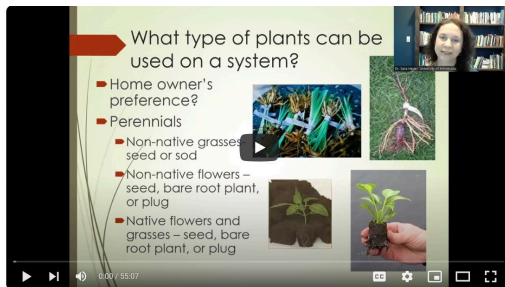
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2022 Annual General Meeting (25 pts)

The video may open with a preview, and you will need to download the video to view the entire meeting (approximately 3 hours).

[2022 Annual General Meeting](#)

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