

2026 Oregon Onsite Wastewater Fall Mini Conference

November 13 • Riverhouse Convention Center Bend, Oregon



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- A one-day gathering for onsite wastewater professionals
- Classes & Tradeshow



Join us for a one-day event - Earn 0.6 Continuing Educational Units

Fall Mini Conference for industry professionals:

Regulators / Maintenance / Service Providers / Engineers / Designers / Installation Contractors / Septic Pumpers.

Schedule / Classes (Topics and Speakers Subject to change without notification):

TIME	COURSE TITLE	SPEAKER	SUMMARY/ABSTRACT
8:00 1 CEU	Building Community Resilience: Protecting Onsite Wastewater Systems from Natural Hazards	Kiley Clamons, REHS	From wildfires and floods to extended power outages, this presentation examines how natural disasters impact onsite wastewater systems. Participants will gain insight into preparing themselves, their clients, and their communities for the next natural disaster.
9:15 1 CEU	Why Certain Sites Require ATT - O&M Support	Aaron Yates	This session will review common site conditions that necessitate ATT systems and discuss the key O&M practices needed to ensure regulatory compliance, system performance, and longevity. Topics will include routine inspections, monitoring, equipment maintenance, troubleshooting common issues, and the roles of service providers and system owners in maintaining reliable treatment. Attendees will gain a practical understanding of how proper O&M supports the continued effectiveness of ATT systems in the field.
10:15	BREAK with Exhibitors		
10:45 1 CEU	Answers to Commonly Missed Questions	Edward Varga & Lisette Hamer-Richardson	In this presentation, we will review the answers to the most commonly missed questions from the Certification exam. Specifically, we will look at questions covering tank data and drawdown, pump calibration, and site plans for pressure distribution system evaluations. These are just a few of the core topics we will be reviewing today.
11:45	LUNCH BREAK - with Exhibitors & Introduction of Sponsor(s).		
12:30 1 CEU	Navigating Online Tools for Septic Professionals	Micah Hozen	E-Permitting. ITIC online locates. County and state GIS maps. Smart phone tools. There are online tools available to make your work faster and easier — but if you haven't taken the leap yet, they can feel overwhelming to figure out on your own. This hands-on session will walk you through the online tools available to septic professionals: what they offer, how to get signed up, and how to actually use them on the job. Come ready to follow along — bring your laptop and smartphone.
1:45 1 CEU	Pumps Basics	Larry O'Connor	Key take aways - How to read a pump curve - Understand the difference between a sump pump, sewage pump, effluent pump and a grinder pump - How to size a pump - How to convert pressure to head - How to do a bar napkin horsepower sizing - Know which pump is more economical to operate, 115v ½ HP or 230v ½ HP
2:45	BREAK with Exhibitors		
3:00 1 CEU	Design Layout	Edward Varga	You will learn layout and calculation – why and how we layout and install a system.
4:00	CONCLUDE - You will receive a proof of attendance certificate. Please save this certificate for your DEQ, CCB, OSBEELS, or OHLA certification or license renewals. Be sure to verify specific renewal requirements with each respective board.		

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Fees / Limited Availability / Cancellation:

Limited to the first 100 online registrations.

Cancel before October 31, 2026, for a full refund – email cancellation to info@o2wa.org.

Current 2026 Member Earning CEUs: \$225.00 not certain if you are a member go online to the Locate NOWRA website.

Non-member earning CEUs: \$420.00 (includes membership)

Regulators earning CEUs: \$125.00

Earning no CEUs: \$125.00

Speakers / Current O2WA Board Members: Free

\$135.00 plus fee and taxes Riverhouse Lodge.



Online reservations or call 541-389-3111 / 888-919-9148

Meet Our Presenters:

Kiley Clamons, REHS - Kiley joined DEQ as the Training and Natural Disaster Preparedness Specialist for the Onsite Program in 2024. She comes to DEQ with a diverse background in water and wastewater treatment and program administration, having spent 7 years with Deschutes County as an Onsite Wastewater Specialist, where she developed the O&M program, conducted site evaluations, reviewed and issued permits, and guided industry professionals on best practices for repairing failing septic systems. Kiley received a B.S. in Journalism and Communication Studies from the University of Oregon before earning a M.S. in Environmental Science and Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines, where she focused her study on onsite water and wastewater treatment.

Lisette Hamer-Richardson Owner of Mike Hamer Inc. and Affordable Septic Systems. A dedicated leader in Oregon's wastewater industry, she has served on the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) rulemaking committee, helping shape state standards. Lisette is O2WA Vice President, board member represents the Operations and Maintenance seat and chairs the O2WA Scholarship Fund.

Micah Hozen - Owner, New Creation Contracting has 20+ years' experience in Construction as well as almost 10 years in Architectural Design. He is a Licensed Contractor, Certified Septic Installer, as well as having a Limited Electrical License. Micah is also an instructor at CCC and presents the State of Oregon - New Septic Installers Certification Class.

Larry O'Connor MBA University of Oregon - Larry O'Connor has been involved in the water and wastewater industry for several decades. He has worked for two of the leading pump manufacturers and has experience with industrial, municipal, water well, environmental, as well as wastewater products. Currently co-owner of RepCo Sales Agency

Aaron Yates - Aaron Yates is a Lead Customer Account Specialist and Technical Representative with Orenco Systems, Inc., where he provides technical support, product application guidance, and training for wastewater treatment professionals throughout the western United States. With extensive experience in onsite wastewater treatment systems, including alternative treatment technologies, remote monitoring systems, and operation and maintenance practices, Aaron works closely with regulators, engineers, installers, service providers, and distributors to support successful wastewater treatment projects. He regularly assists with system design considerations, troubleshooting, and educational outreach related to decentralized wastewater treatment solutions.

Edward Varga, O2WA President, E & A SYSTEMS INC. has over 2 decades in the industry. Started back in 2000 with an oversized cap-n-fill system. Over the last 20+ years Eddie has gone from designing onsite disposal systems, installing them, and maintaining them as well. He holds an Installers Certification, Maintenance Certification, Limited Plumbers License, and the Limited Electrical License. Over the past couple of years, he has been on the O2WA board as the installer's representative, and then also the Vice President/President Elect. of the O2WA. Eddie is an instructor at Chemeketa Community College and presents the new and improved 2-day Installers Certification Class.