

Training for 2017

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The dates and locations for wastewater operator training have been set for 2017. Once again there will be one continuing education class scheduled monthly at locations across the state.

Please feel free to provide me with suggestions for speakers and topics. Every effort is made to have new information and timely topics presented by knowledgeable persons in the field. Any input would be very much appreciated. That helps make the training sessions better for everyone.

We will have three of our standard four-day operator certification trainings held at the NeRWA office/training center in Wahoo. Please get your registrations in early. We had to limit registrations to 20 due to room size for the November 15-18th training for 2016.

Due to multiple requests there will be a change for next year. In addition to our standard four-day operator certification training, we will hold two lagoon only certification training classes. They will be two days each. One will be held in Wahoo and the other in North Platte. We will evaluate their success at the end of the year.

Next year I am required to hold two infrastructure sustainability sessions. This year (2016) I was required to hold one. NeRWA staff facilitated the session as a team. It was well attended and everyone participated very well. Currently they are scheduled for Albion and Ord for 2017. These sessions are intended for operators and decision makers. Each system evaluates and prioritizes their individual utility needs. These could include water, wastewater, electric system, gas, streets, etc. The sessions are 6 hours long and qualify for 6 continuing education hours (CEU's) for both water and wastewater.

Once again, "PLEASE" provide comments and suggestions for next year's operator training classes. You can contact me at 402-443-6157 or lucas@nerwa.org.

See you all in 2017.