New England Onsite Wastewater Training Program @ URI

2022 Training Workshop Schedule

We Are Offering Both Remote and In-Person Classes!

Please check course descriptions before registering to determine whether class is online or in-person.

All registrations may now be completed online using the link below
https://cvent.me/wyab9Q

New! Soils Classes With Dr. Mark Stolt Now Available for Registration Through the NEOWTP

Soils 101, 213 and 313 available in June 2022
Please check the course descriptions for more information
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Classes may be offered remotely or in-person. Please check the class description carefully before registering to select an online course or a class that meets in-person.

NEOWTP encourages early registration! Early registration fees apply when registration is completed at least 14 days before the scheduled class date. Registrations received within 14 days of the class will be charged the regular fee. A $25.00 late fee will be charged when registering within 48 hours of the scheduled class date.

Space is limited in the following in-person courses: OWT 135, OWT 140, OWT 150, INSP 150, INSP100B, Field Day, Soils 101, Soils 213, Soils 313

FIELD DAY - Technology Vendor Field Demo at Training Center (IN-PERSON)
On this outdoor demo day we gather vendors that have displays at the NEOWT Center to present information about what their particular technology is approved to do, and discuss installation, operation and maintenance, and design requirements for their technologies. This class substitutes for required vendor training for installers and designers in RI. Instructors: RI Technology Vendors.

Class size limited to 32 participants
Scheduled for Sept. 29 (8am-5pm) (Sept. 30 rain date)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SE/SI) 3 NHDES
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

OWT100 - Conventional Onsite Wastewater Treatment Basics for Installers (ONLINE)
This virtual class will prepare you for the RIDEM Installer's Examination, generally scheduled a week following the class. This is a fundamental course to help you understand onsite wastewater system regulations, definitions, and permit requirements. Learn about your responsibilities, RI state regulations, components of a conventional onsite wastewater system and their function, contaminants in septic tank effluent and their fates, soils and wastewater movement and treatment, basic wastewater design overview, installation and construction oversight, operation, maintenance and inspection issues, and general safety issues. Instructors: NEOWTP staff, RIDEM staff.

Scheduled for August 25 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 6 NHDES
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

OWT105 - Innovative and Alternative (I&A) Technologies (ONLINE)
This class is required before you can take OWT125 (BSF Class). Learn about the regulatory status of I&A systems; selecting the proper system for your site; the treatment train process and standards; and wastewater distribution issues. We will also teach you about timed-dosing; the basic components common to most I&A technologies; media filters – sand, trickle, foam, peat, textile; fixed activated sludge systems; ATUs; drainfield options; and operation and maintenance requirements.Instructor: NEOWTP staff.

Scheduled for May 5 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SE/SI) 6 NHDES
4 VTDEC (Non-Soils)
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

OWT120 - RI Designer Exam Prep (ONLINE)
This class will prepare you for the RIDEM Class I or II Designer’s Examination. Learn about the types of information and questions that you will need to know to be successful. Instructors: NEOWTP staff, RIDEM staff.

Scheduled for October 27 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 8 RICRLB Registration fee - $200(early)/$225 (regular)

OWT125 - Bottomless Sand Filter (BSF) Design and Installation (ONLINE)
This class has a prerequisite. OWT105 - “Innovative & Alternative Technologies“ must be completed before registering for OWT 125. OWT 125 is required by RIDEM and MADEP before you can design or install a BSF.
Learn about bottomless sand filter (BSF) designs and where and when to use them. We will teach you all the essentials about design, site preparation and installation sequence. Instructors: NEOWTP staff.

Scheduled for June 2 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SE/SI) 3 NHDES
3 VTDEC (Non-Soils)
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

OWT135 - All About Series: Septic Tanks (IN-PERSON)
We will visit a regional septic tank manufacturing facility in Danielson, CT and learn about new concrete mixes, quality control, general tank construction, tank manholes, cast-in-place riser adaptors and boots, riser installations, mid-seam wrapping, and vacuum testing techniques. We’ll also cover specifications for ordering custom tanks.
Instructors: Dennis Jolley (Jolley Precast), NEOWTP staff.

Class size limited to 18 participants
Scheduled for May 19 (8am-12:30pm)
Location: Danielson, CT
Credits: 2 RI (I-IV) 4 RICRLB 4 MA (SE/SI) 3 NHDES
Registration fee - $140 (early)/$165 (regular)
**OWT140 - All About Series: Sand Media (IN-PERSON)**

This class visits a regional specialty sand and gravel processing facility in Slatersville (Northern Rhode Island), where you’ll learn about blind sieve analysis of sand samples, how to conduct a quick field test to determine quality of sand product, and the importance of effective size and uniformity coefficient. We’ll tour the facility and observe the raw product before processing, the water particle separation process and the kiln dry and bag house. Instructors: Carmine Iacuone (Holliston Sand Co.), NEOWTP staff.

**Class size limited to 18 participants**

**Scheduled for June 8 (8am-12:30pm)**

**Location: Slatersville, RI**

**Credits:** 2 RI (I-IV) 4 RICRLB 4 MA (SE/SI) 3 NHDES 2 VTDEC (Soils)

**Registration fee - $140 (early)/$165**

**OWT150 - AutoCALCS - Automated Support Materials for Pump Timers, Tanks, Chambers, BSF Sizing, & Buoyancy Calculations (IN-PERSON)**

This class is focused on BSF design and provides you with several spreadsheet programs for your office computer. We’ll demonstrate how to use the spreadsheet programs to run calculations that determine system design requirements. The programs will help you to size a BSF with proper orifice and lateral spacing, and will determine the elevations for all floats and screen vaults, and the required timer run times. Other spreadsheets help you with tank and pump chamber buoyancy calculations.

Instructors: NEOWTP staff.

**Scheduled for June 9 (8am-12:30pm)**

**Class size limited to 25 participants**

**Credits:** 2 RI (I-III) 4 MA (SE/SI) 3 NHDES 2 VTDEC (Non-Soils)

**Registration fee - $140 (early)/$165 (regular)**

**OWT175 - Identifying and Managing High Strength Wastewater (ONLINE)**

Are systems for restaurants, supermarkets, and convenience stores giving you trouble? This virtual course describes the parameters that should be used for troubleshooting and designing commercial high strength wastewater (HSW) systems. Instructors: NEOWTP staff.

**Scheduled for June 23 (8am-5pm)**

**Credits:** 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SE/SI) 6 NHDES 4 VTDEC (Non-Soils)

**Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)**

**OWT192 – Recent Advances in Onsite Wastewater Research (ONLINE)**

Registrants will learn about new practical OWTS research findings developed by the Laboratory for Soil Ecology and Microbiology (LSEM) at URI. This virtual course will cover a variety of topics, including: nitrogen dynamics in conventional and advanced N-removal technologies, greenhouse gas emissions from OWTS, emerging contaminants and their treatment in OWTS, and the impact of climate variability on OWTS performance. Additionally, we will discuss emerging soil treatment area (drainfield) options and the importance and reliability of rapid field tests to help us monitor wastewater characteristics and performance in systems in real time. Course content has been designed to be of interest to installers, maintenance professionals, system designers, municipal officials and members of regulatory agencies. Attendees will leave this course with a clear understanding of the current OWTS research being done in the New England region, understand the best practices to mitigate human and environmental problems stemming from poorly designed or functioning OWTS, and understand the importance of sustainable OWTS design and performance as we move into the future. Instructors: NEOWTP staff, Bianca Ross (USEPA), Sara Wigginton (MASSTC).

**Scheduled for December 1 (8am-5pm)**

**Credits:** 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SE/SI) 6 NHDES 8 SCDOL 4 VTDEC (Non-Soils)

**Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)**

**Onsite Wastewater System Inspection Classes:**

URI’s system inspector registration is required if seeking to work in many Rhode Island towns.

**INSPI100A - Conventional Onsite Wastewater System Inspection (ONLINE)**

You will be in the virtual classroom learning about onsite wastewater system inspection techniques, general safety issues, how to use tools and gadgets of the inspection trade and how to recognize typical substandard systems, collecting baseline data, determining solids levels in tanks, and pump out and inspection frequencies. Instructors: Darlene Gardner (Superior Septic Service), NEOWTP staff.

**Scheduled for May 12 (8am-5pm)**

**Credits:** 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 8 MA (SI) 6 NHDES

**Registration fee - $230 (early)/$255 (regular)**
INSP100B - Conventional Onsite Wastewater System Inspection Field Training (IN-PERSON)

Note: You must attend both INSP100A and INSP100B to be eligible for the examination/registry. There will be no make-up examinations. Examination is not required to earn CEU and TCH credit.

The day will begin with a hands-on inspection overview at the NEOWT Center at URI Peckham Farm. Then we head into the field to conduct 2 actual, blind inspections at existing homes using the standardized RI state inspection procedure. At the end of the day, you may take written and field practical examinations. Participants who pass the examinations will be listed in the URI conventional onsite wastewater system inspectors’ registration and posted to the RIDEM website. Please note class participants will need to walk some distance over uneven terrain while at the NEOWT Center and during blind inspections. Please contact us if you require accommodations. Instructors: Darlene Gardner (Superior Septic Service), NEOWTP staff.

Class limited to 18 participants
Scheduled for May 13 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 6 MA (SI)
Registration fee - $230 (early)/$255 (regular)

INSP150 - Functional Inspection (IN-PERSON)

This one day class focuses on how to perform a functional (point of sale) inspection of a conventional wastewater system which is typically done prior to home sales. Topics include a brief inspection refresher, elements of a functional inspection, newer tools and techniques, and wastewater management. We will go in the field later in the day to perform a blind inspection. Please note class participants will need to walk some distance over uneven terrain during blind inspections. Please contact us if you require accommodations. Instructors: Darlene Gardner (Superior Septic Service), NEOWTP staff.

Scheduled for May 26 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 RICRLB 6 MA (SI)
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

Soils Classes With Dr. Mark Stolt - Please register using our online registration system (https://cvent.me/wyab9Q) or contact neowtp@uri.edu for assistance.

Soils 101 - Basic Soils Information Applied to the Siting and Operation of OWTS (IN-PERSON)

During this class, emphasis is placed on physical and morphological properties related to the proper placement and performance of an OWTS. Landscape attributes are also considered. Soils 101 provides a good review of soil morphology basics for practicing soil evaluators or those interested in soil evaluations for OWTS. Please note half of the day will be spent in the classroom and half will be spent in the field. Instructor: Dr. Mark Stolt

Class size limited to 25 participants
Scheduled for June 6 (8:30am-4pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 MA (SE) 4 VTDEC (Soils)
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

Soils 213 - Advanced Soil Morphology: Understanding Depth to the Seasonal High Water Table (IN-PERSON)

During this class, emphasis is placed on identifying morphological properties indicative of wetness in a range of soil parent materials. Differences of morphology and wetness across the landscape and among different soil parent materials is discussed and illustrated. New techniques used to identify zones of soil saturation are discussed. Recent changes in soil morphology terminology and use are also discussed. Instructor: Dr. Mark Stolt

Class size limited to 12 participants
Scheduled for June 22 (8:30am-4pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 MA (SE)
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

Soils 313 - Soil Evaluation and Morphology (IN-PERSON)

This field centric workshop is focused on the range of soils, landforms, and soil parent materials in southern New England. Participants will examine soils formed in loess, outwash, ice contact, dense till, loose till, and alluvial parent materials found on outwash plains, kettle holes, eskers, kame terraces, recessional moraines, terraces, and till uplands. A range of soil wetness classes will be used to demonstrate how a difference in the depth to the water affects the soil morphology. Approaches to identify zones of soil saturation will be illustrated. Updates in soil morphology terminology and applications will also be discussed. Instructor: Dr. Mark Stolt

Class size limited to 12 participants
Scheduled for June 10 (8:30am-4pm)
Credits: 4 RI (I-IV) 8 MA (SE)
CLASSES FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY
REGISTRANTS ONLY: INST 100 and OWT 105 were developed in cooperation with SCDOH and meet required endorsements. In addition, OWT 192 has been approved by the SCDOL for 8 credits.

INST 100 - Conventional Septic System Installation Class (ONLINE)
This half day class will allow for industry professionals to fine tune their installation methods, discuss and share personal experiences and lessons learned, and learn about new products, and requirements implemented by the Suffolk County Department of Health Services. Attendees will be provided with copies of the most recent Department residential and commercial standards and will hear from Health Department Staff as to what is expected during an installation. In addition, the class will cover an overview of onsite wastewater systems, installation techniques, new industry products, general safety issues, and how to use tools and gadgets of the trade. At the end of the class, you may take a written examination to fulfill the Suffolk County Department of Labor, Licensing, and Consumer Affairs requirement for the Conventional System Installation Endorsement. Instructors: NEOWTP, Suffolk County Department of Health Services.
Scheduled for March 3, August 11 and December 8 (8am-12:30pm)
Credits: 4 SCDOL
Registration fee - $140 (early)/$165 (regular)

OWT 105 - Innovative and Alternative Onsite Wastewater Treatment Technology (ONLINE)
Innovative and alternative (I/A) technologies are being installed and evaluated in Suffolk County, and we anticipate more active use of these technologies in the future to help protect groundwater and surface waters on Long Island. Learn about the regulatory status of I/A systems in Suffolk County; selecting the proper system for the site; the treatment train process and standards; and wastewater distribution options. We will also teach you about pumps, controls, alarms, and timers; the basic components common to most I/A technologies; media filters; aerobic treatment units; drainfield options; and operation & maintenance. After the classroom discussion, the class will head out into the field to visit several I/A technologies installed under the County’s Septic Demonstration program. Instructors: NEOWTP, Suffolk County Department of Health Services.
Scheduled for March 10, August 18 and December 15 (8am-5pm)
Credits: 8 SCDOL
Registration fee - $200 (early)/$225 (regular)

NEOWTP POLICIES:
(please read, as they may have changed):

Registration
Courses are open to all interested parties, but please recognize that some courses have prerequisites (see course descriptions for details) to ensure that participants have appropriate background knowledge and context for the content. Registration must be completed using our online registration platform (https://cvent.me/wyab9Q). Please note many classes have a minimum and maximum number of registrants and we encourage you to register early. Should the minimum number not be reached, we reserve the right to cancel the class and refund your fees (or give you credit for future courses), or try to reschedule the class at a later date. Any participant unable to register online should email neowtp@uri.edu or call 401.874.5950 for alternative registration instructions.

Class Fees
An early registration fee will be awarded for all registrations and fees received or recorded at the NEOWTP at least 14 calendar days before a scheduled class. All other registrations will be considered at regular fee, unless submitted within 48 hours of the scheduled start of class. Registrations submitted within 48 hours of the scheduled start of class will be assigned an additional $25.00 late fee.

We are unable to reserve seats by phone or emails. Class enrollment in some classes is limited (see course descriptions), so please register early to avoid disappointment.

Attendance
Registrants joining class after its scheduled start time may attend the class, however Continuing Education Credits (CEU’s) or Training Contact Hours (TCH’s) cannot be awarded. Virtual registrants must be logged into the training by its start time and remain logged in until class is finished. In-person classes must be attended for the full duration to earn credit as well. The NEOWTP has agreements with regulatory agencies regarding CEU’s and TCH’s and contact hours which are strictly adhered to and no partial credits can be given for partial attendance to any course.

Virtual Classes
Online courses are offered via Webex, an online conferencing platform. Registrants must have a Mac or
In-Person Classes
The majority of our in-person classes are held in the Surge Building at 210 Flagg Road on the University of Rhode Island Kingston campus or at the New England Onsite Wastewater Training Center located nearby at the University’s Peckham Farm. Additional courses may be offered off site and will be indicated in our course schedule. Directions will be provided to registrants approximately three days before class with additional class information and materials.

Cancellations, Transfers and Other Policies
Cancellations may be completed online until 48 hours before the scheduled class date. A cancellation fee of $25 will apply. Cancellations made less than 48 hours before the class will forfeit the registration fee.

No shows on a class scheduled date will forfeit their registration fee.

To transfer to another course, you must request a transfer at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled class date by emailing neowtp@uri.edu or calling 401-874-5950. A transfer fee of $25 will apply. Transfer requests made less than 48 hours before the class will not be accepted.

Many classes have a minimum and maximum number of registrants. Should the minimum number not be reached, we reserve the right to cancel the class and return your full fees (or give you credit for future courses), or try to reschedule the class at a later date.

Returned checks: There will be a $50 fee assessed for these.

Attendance records: There will be a $30 fee for researching attendance records and re-issuing certificates of attendance for each class already taken. The request and fees must be received in writing (written notice is preferred via email: neowtp@uri.edu).

Parking
All participants must park in a designated guest parking lot when attending class on the URI Kingston campus with a valid parking pass. NEOWTP will provide the pass and assign a lot to park in. Registrants may only park in the designated lot and the pass is valid only on the day of the class. A parking pass is not required to park at Peckham Farm.

Inclement Weather
In the event of imminent inclement weather, and we have not canceled the course, please call (401) 874-7669 (URI-SNOW) to check if classes are open. If classes are not open we will try to reschedule. If there is inclement weather where you live, use your own judgment when traveling (cancellation fees do not apply).

Disability Information Statement
Any NEOWTP class attendee with a documented disability is welcome and encouraged to contact our office at 401-874-5950 as early as possible prior to the class so that we may arrange reasonable accommodations to the extent practicable.

Notes
This course schedule and policies are subject to change; please check our website (https://web.uri.edu/owt/) for the most current course and policy information.