

CEHA SUBSURFACE CODE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Code Advisory Committee meets six times a year at the Portland Library. Meetings continue to be well attended with a typical attendance of 16 people. We have enjoyed a steady presence from the State DPH Environmental Engineering Section as well as the State DEP and the Connecticut Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (COWRA). This continues to be a solid forum to discuss problems, provide educational opportunities and engage other industry professionals.

Accomplishments for 2009 were:

- Pump Seminars were conducted at three locations providing meaningful learning to sanitarians, engineers and installers. The Code Advisory Committee owes a debt of thanks to all who participated and especially to Jeff Polhemus for organizing the events and giving selflessly of his time.
- Members of the Committee continue to support State Health Department efforts to provide soils training. Additionally, the Committee continues to work with the State to fill any voids should funding evaporate to provide future training.
- The Code Advisory Committee has also committed to help develop a mentoring program for sanitarians taking Phase I and II training. This will be a formal mentoring opportunity to provide practical field experience to the classroom training provided by the State.
- We have had proprietary systems manufacturers come in to explain their products and answer questions relative to their installation.
- This past week the committee co-chairs participated in a DEP Kaizen Event to explore a way to expedite septic repairs on DEP jurisdictional sites. This was a very positive step in improving relations between local health, State health and the DEP. It is likely that significant improvement will result within the coming calendar year.

As always, the committee looks forward to new faces joining us and we implore all CEHA members to forward any code problems that need change or clarification.

Respectfully submitted for the CEHA Subsurface Code Advisory Committee

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