Onsite Wastewater Treatment Education Resources for Educating Clientele

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Analyze Your Audience

- Teachers
- Home owners
- Practioners (pumpers, installers, designers)
- Regulators
- Local decision-makers
Bevy of Resources Available

- Videos/DVDs
- Fact Sheets
- Tabletop Booth Displays
- Physical Models
- Curriculum
- Web Sites
- Training Centers
- Miscellaneous
Videos/DVDs

- Alternative Septic Systems
- The Care and Feeding of Your Septic Tank
- Choosing an Alternative Septic System
- Inspecting Existing Septic Systems During Home Sales
- Landscaping Your Drainfield
- On-Site Wastewater Treatment Systems: Constructed Wetlands
- Overview of Septic Systems
- Professional On-site Sewage System Maintenance
- Septic Evaluation
- Septic System Maintenance
- Septic Systems Revealed: Guide to Operation, Care, and Maintenance
- Understanding and Maintaining Alternative On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems
- Water Conservation – Managing Our Precious Liquid Asset
- What to expect from your Home Inspection
- The Why, When, & How of Septic System Care and Maintenance
Fact Sheets (selected list)

- “twenty-a-million” fact sheets available
  - Sources:
    - Texas Cooperative Extension (Spanish versions available)
    - North Carolina State University
    - University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension
    - University of Arizona Cooperative Extension
    - Purdue University Cooperative Extension
    - University of Minnesota
  - Topics:
    - Homeowner maintenance
    - Installation
    - Do’s and Don’ts
    - Additives
    - Landscaping
Tabletop Booth Displays

- **Household Septic System**
  - University of Arizona. Approximate size: 32” tall x 60” wide.

- **Caring for Your Septic System**
  - Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service. Approximate size: 26” tall x 80” wide.
Physical Models

- Conventional System: Septic Tank with Soil Absorption Field
- Septic Tank Model
- Soil Treatment System Model
Curriculum

- **Practioner training**
  - Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment:
    - [http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm](http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm)
    - Practioner training >> Activities

- **University courses**
  - Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment
    - [http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm](http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm)
    - Academic curriculum >> Activities
Training Centers

- Alabama
- Arizona
- California
- Florida
- Kentucky
- New York
- North Carolina
- Missouri
- Rhode Island
- Texas
- Utah
Web Sites - Selected

- Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment
- EPA
- National Association of Wastewater Transporters
- National Decentralized Water Resources Capacity Development Project
- National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Assn.
- National Small Flows Clearinghouse
- Showcase (Washington Dept of Ecology)
Miscellaneous

- Magnets
- Training Center Signs
- Comic Book
The End

- Any Questions?

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Some days all you can do is smile and wait for some kind soul to come pull your ass out of the bind you've gotten yourself into.