



## **Call for Papers: 2020 AOWMA Convention**

The Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association (AOWMA) welcomes abstracts for papers to be presented at the Annual Conference being held in February 2020. The conference will take place in Red Deer on February 6, 7, & 8, 2020. The theme for this conference is focussed on Improving the Industry: It Takes a Team. Presenters are invited to submit their papers for consideration.

The AOWMA annual conference serves the onsite professionals in Alberta by providing the opportunity to learn about the newest information, research, technology, regulatory changes, experiences and practices in their field as well as the opportunity to network with their peers and view the newest technologies available to the industry.

Two types of abstracts are open for considerations:

1. Technical topics including both case studies with limited data and research projects with a larger data set.
2. Policy topics dealing with regulation and policy, management issues, etc.

They can be presented in a range of formats:

- a. Poster
- b. 30 – 45 minute presentations in either breakout or plenary sessions
- c. Panel discussions and topic seminars 20, 45 or 90 minutes

For more information, including deadlines, topic suggestions and submittal procedures, please visit our website or call 877-489-7471.

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## **Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training**

The Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association is currently holding an Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training Program in Edmonton. This training is recognized in the Western Provinces through Alberta Municipal Affairs and the New West Partnership Agreement (formerly TILMA). It is recognized federally through the Agreement on Internal Trade.

This training program has been found to meet or exceed the requirements of the Agreement on Internal Trade and the Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement. Students were required to complete an online training component prior to attending the classroom sessions.

### **Upcoming Training Dates:**

**September 17 – 20, 2019 Days 1 – 4 Calgary, AB**

**October 8 – 11, 2019 Days 5 – 8 Calgary, AB**

Register online, download a registration form or for more information, including being added to our waitlist, please contact the association office at 877-489-7471.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



Trade Show & Convention

**“IMPROVING THE INDUSTRY: IT TAKES A TEAM!”**

February 6, 7 & 8, 2020

Red Deer, Alberta

## Industry Town Hall Meetings

The AOWMA Board of Directors will be hosting a series of Town Hall meetings across the province over the next year. These meetings will be held in the winter season, when contractors are not typically working.

Dates and locations for some of the meetings have been set. Members and other interested onsite wastewater stakeholders are invited to join us and discuss industry issues and concerns in their regions.

Meetings will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the following locations:

December 16, 2019 - Stettler, AB

December 18, 2019 - Grande Prairie, AB

January 10, 2020 - Brooks, AB

January 17, 2020 - Lac La Biche, AB

Date TBA - Yellowhead County, AB

Date TBA - Rocky Mountain House, AB

Date TBA - Lethbridge, AB

If you are interested in participating in these round table discussions, please contact the AOWMA office for more details at 1.877.489.7471.

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## Upcoming Industry Events

You can keep up-to-date on industry events on our events page!

Have an industry event you'd like to see posted? Feel free to contact us!

**NAWT/NOWRA Onsite  
Wastewater  
Mega-Conference**  
October 13 – 16, 2019  
Loveland, Colorado

**Imagine a Day Without  
Water**  
October 23, 2019

**WWETT 2020**  
February 17, 18 & 19, 2020  
Indianapolis, IN

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## Fall Magazine Coming Soon!

### Contribute to the Magazine

The association is sourcing articles for publication in our WCOWMA family of newsletters, and our printed magazine. Newsletters are published monthly, and magazines are published twice per year. Both include information, news and events from each Western province.

Articles submitted may be on any topic relevant to our membership and stakeholder group, such as those related to wastewater, septage and the onsite wastewater industry. Article length should be between 200 to 500 words for the newsletter and 800 to 1,500 words for the magazine. In both cases the article should be research or case study based. Relevant pictures are welcome; a photo release may be required. Promotional articles or those that are heavily proprietorial are considered advertorial and are subject to advertising rates. These will be identified in the publications as advertorials.

Banner and feature advertising is also now available in our newsletter – please contact the association office more information.

WCOWMA newsletters and magazines are distributed to over 5000 onsite wastewater stakeholders across Western Canada. Articles may be submitted to [info@wcowma.com](mailto:info@wcowma.com). The deadline for each newsletter is the 15th of each month. Articles submitted may be published immediately or held for future publications.