



## **Last Soils Field Day of the Season**

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The AOWMA hosted the last Site and Soils Field Evaluation of the installation season in Okotoks on October 20.

Over the course of the past few months, the AOWMA hosted six Site and Soil Field Days, one Mound Installation Field Day, and one At-Grade Field Day. These field days provide valuable opportunities for members to hone their practical skills while networking with their peers.

Field days are only possible because members provide sites to work on. The AOWMA would like to thank the following members for helping to provide sites and equipment:

### **Site and Soils Evaluation:**

Gull Lake – Jim and Ken Wigmore  
Olds – Ken Jabs  
Strathcona – Darren Pawluk  
Okotoks – Tim Webb  
Busby (two events) – Francois Fedorus

### **Mound Field Day:**

Gull Lake – Jim Wigmore  
At-Grade Field Day  
Lamont – Dale McLure

The association is always looking for training sites. If you have sites available that you are willing to use for training, please contact the AOWMA office: 1-877-489-7471.

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## **AOWMA 2018 Convention & Trade Show – Celebrating 20 Years!**

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The AOWMA is pleased to ask you to join us for our 20th Annual Convention and Trade Show taking place in Red Deer on February 8 – 10, 2018.

The 2018 trade show is open to any and all who wish to attend. Visitors to the trade show will have the opportunity to participate in technical training sessions provided by the vendors. Exhibition booths will be open Thursday, February 8 from mid-afternoon until evening and then will reopen in the morning on Friday and stay open until early afternoon. The trade show is a wonderful opportunity to see and learn about new technologies and network with suppliers and fellow contractors.

The convention will provide delegates with educational and informational sessions on regulatory changes, system installation techniques and challenges, research and technology and business management information.

Of course, the most important aspect of any event such as this is the opportunity to network with your fellow industry professionals. Networking is one of the most important features of any conference, so come and share your challenges and successes. The exchange of information is invaluable!

Alberta's convention and trade show is the largest onsite wastewater event in Western Canada. Don't miss out. Join us in Red Deer in February 2018!

Stay tuned for registration information.

## Call For Papers: 2018 AOWMA Convention

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The Alberta Onsite Wastewater Management Association (AOWMA) welcomes abstracts for papers to be presented at the Annual Conference being held in February 2018. The conference will take place in Red Deer on February 8, 9 & 10, 2018. The theme for this conference is: 20 Years of Onsite in Alberta – Remembering our history, Looking to the future. 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:

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

They can be presented in a range of formats:

1. Poster
2. 30 – 45 minute presentations in either breakout or plenary sessions
3. Panel discussions and topic seminars 45 minutes to 1 ½ hours

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

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## Member Benefits: Mark's Discount Card

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AOWMA members can save 10% on work clothes by presenting the wallet card included in your membership package at the till with your purchases from any Mark's outlet.

Current cards expire on December 31st, but we will be sending 2018 cards to our members, along with new 2018 decals, in the new year, so keep an eye on your mailbox!

More information is available in your membership package, or by contacting our office.

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## Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Training

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The next available training session dates are:

**Days 1 – 4 – November 27, 28, 29 & 30, 2017 – High River, AB**

**Days 5 – 8 – December 12, 13, 14 & 15, 2017 – High River, AB**

Register online (<http://www.aowma.com/training/>) or contact the association office at 855-872-2650 for more information.

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## Upcoming Industry Events

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You can keep up-to-date on industry events on our events page! (<http://www.aowma.com/calendar/>) The AOWMA events page has recently been updated and features a calendar configuration, making it easier than ever to see what industry events are just around the corner.

### **Ontario Water Innovation Week (ONWIN)**

October 30-November 3, 2017

Ontario

### **World Toilet Day**

November 19, 2017