

- 8:00am Wastewater Operations Specialist Forum**
This session will discuss issues that operations specialists face every day with their operations. See what MRWA has to offer for technical assistance for wastewater systems!
- 9:00am Options for Old Sewer Pipes**
Other than dig and replace, learn what your options are for the rehab of your old sewer system at this session.
- 10:00am Wastewater Pumping: New Technology for Your Wastewater Collection System**
This session will be a group discussion with other operations specialists on wastewater pump problems and ideas. The session will demonstrate new technology that can be used in your collection system to give you valuable information.
- 12:00pm Lunch - (On Your Own)**
- 1:00pm Pond Dredging**
If you have too much sludge in your ponds, you might have to dredge them. Learn the process of dredging a wastewater pond system at this session.
- 2:00pm Metering for Wastewater Usage**
Most systems bill for wastewater using what goes through the water meter. Learn what kinds of meters are being used for water use and see where metering technology is going toward in the future.
- 3:00pm Lift Station Calibration**
Learn how to perform pump calibrations on-site at Lake Benton's lift station.
- 4:00pm End of Day**

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City of Lake Benton
 American Legion
 County Highway 22
 (Center Street South)
 Lake Benton, MN

Course Instructors:
 Badger Meter, Inc.; Fergus Power Pump, Inc.; Minnesota Pump Works; Visu-Sewer, Inc.; and Minnesota Rural Water Association.

Six Certification Hours for Full Day Attendance

There is **NO** charge for this session.

To Register For Any Training Session: Call the MRWA Office at 800-367-6792 or online at www.mrwa.com. Use the training calendar link.

Green Myths

According to MPCA's Living Green 365: Some Green Myths:

Myth #1. Water-efficient toilets don't work.
First generation low-flow toilets had major performance issues. As technology improved, so did toilet performance. Modern high-efficiency toilets flush like they're supposed to and can save a lot of water. Look for toilets with the EPA WaterSense label. They've met stringent federal standards for water-efficiency AND performance.

Myth #2. Washing dishes by hand saves water & energy.
When it comes to energy & water use, dishwashers just keep getting better and better. New Energy Star-qualified models use half the energy of hand-washing and a fraction of the water. Oh, and don't pre-rinse dishes before putting them in the dishwasher. It's an unnecessary waste of water and energy. Scraping or wiping them first suffices.

Myth #3. Minnesota has plenty of water, so we don't need to conserve.
Minnesota may be the land of 10,000+ lakes, but our clean, drinkable water supplies are limited. Three out of four state residents rely on groundwater for drinking water. Unlike surface waters like rivers, lakes, and streams, groundwater can take a very long time to recharge. Water conservation is more important now than ever.

For more myths, visit MPCA's Living Green 365: Green Myths at: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/living-green>