



Minnesota Rural Water Association Class E Small Water System Operator Training



July 17, 2019

Ridgeway Community School
35564 Winona County Road 12
Ridgeway, MN

Driving Directions: <https://www.ridgewayschool.org/page/maps>

Class Time: 8am – Noon

Topics Covered During the Workshop:

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Roles and Responsibilities in Minnesota: We will discuss the SDWA in Minnesota including the responsibilities of owners and operators of public water systems, sampling requirements, how the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) works to help small water systems provide safe water to their consumers, and any MDH updates.

Drinking Water Wells 101 – One of the key components of your water system is the drinking water well. We will review well components, well construction, and the importance of routine well maintenance.

Storage – Understanding storage options, sizing, inspections, routine maintenance and what works best for your system.

Distribution System Operation and Maintenance – We will review how to maintain and protect your distribution system from contamination. We will review distribution components and their purpose.

Asset Management – Have you thought about what it would cost to replace the components of your water system? We will discuss the useful life of equipment and how to budget for new equipment.

Source Water Protection Plans and Grants – We will discuss how a streamlined action plan can now be utilized by small systems to meet the requirements of the Wellhead Protection Rule. This process is in place and has simplified all aspects of the small public water supplies' Wellhead Protection planning process. The action plan identifies measures that the water system can take to protect its source of drinking water, and the MDH provides opportunities for grant funding to help with the financial costs of completing Wellhead Protection activities.

Round Table Discussion - This is an opportunity for you to discuss your water system and to ask any questions about wells, storage, distribution, water treatment, troubleshooting, routine maintenance, and any other questions you may have about drinking water.

Course objective: This course has been specifically designed for nontransient and nonmunicipal water operations specialists. Our goal is to provide the training you need to renew your water operator certificate and also be better prepared to operate your own water system. Come prepared to discuss your water system. Four (4) certification hours will be awarded for four hours of attendance.

There is no charge for this session but you must pre-register. We have had to cancel training in the past. To register for this workshop, call 1-800-367-6792 or visit our web site www.mrwa.com and click on the training calendar link.

TO: Class E and D Public Water Systems.

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The Minnesota Rural Water Association will be providing training sessions for your water system operations specialist under a grant through the Minnesota Department of Health. Jennifer Koenig and Kyle Kedrowski, Technical Advisors, will be the trainers at these training sessions. Jennifer and Kyle also provide on-site technical assistance to help with the operator certification rule or any other water system assistance that is needed. Both can be reached at 800-367-6792.

The training session will be held at the location listed on the other side of this notice. As a Class E water operator, your certification training requirement is 4 hours. This training session will provide you with 4 credit hours. Class D operators are encouraged to attend. As a Class D operator, your certification training requirement is 8 hours. This training will provide you with 4 of your 8 hour requirement. **If you need to get certified as a water operations specialist for your system, please contact Jennifer or Kyle at 800-367-6792.**

To Register: Please call 800-367-6792 or visit our web site www.mrwa.com and click on the Training Calendar link.



Nontransient Noncommunity Public Water Systems: Serve at least 25 of the same people over 6 months of the year. Examples of nontransient noncommunity public water systems include schools, offices, factories, and daycares.



Nonmunicipal Community Public Water Systems: Serve at least 25 year-round residents, or serve 15 service connections used by year-round residents. Owned by a private party and include nursing homes, prisons, mobile home parks, housing developments and apartments.

