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Reminder for Seasonal Systems

Seasonal systems are those public water supply systems that are not open all year, and include camps, parks, and golf courses. Spring is on the horizon and it's time to prepare for opening day.

Before starting operations for the season, the system must ensure it is able to provide safe water on the first day it serves water to the public. The system must complete a Start Up Checklist, which includes a total coliform sample that is free of bacteria, and must submit the completed form to Iowa DNR before the opening day. The seasonal system is sent a reminder letter at the beginning of the month before their opening month. The letter includes the Start Up Checklist.

Two videos made by Iowa DNR water supply program staff are available on the [Iowa DNR website](#) to assist water supply operators and owners.

- Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) Summary. This video summarizes the Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) that became effective in 2016. The rule is designed to increase the protection of public health by reducing the potential pathways for bacteria to get into a drinking water system.
- Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) Level 1 Assessments and Start-up Procedures. This video indicates the start-up procedures for seasonal supplies and Level 1 Assessments, which are requirements of the Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR). The start-up procedures and Level 1 Assessments are both checklists that walk you through your water system and aid you in finding any issues that could be allowing contaminants to enter your system.

Any questions, contact the person listed in your current Operation Permit or most recent Sanitary Survey.

EPA Region 7: Risk Assessment & Emergency Response Plan Training

From the flyer, 2/11/2020

Note: This training is applicable to all community water systems serving at least 3,300 people (including consecutive system population), all of whom must conduct the Risk and Resiliency Assessment and update their Emergency Response Plan. It is available as an in-person training in Lenexa, KS, and as a webinar participant. EPA-Water Security Division is currently sending emails to those Iowa systems in the 3,300 – 49,999 persons served (including consecutive population) that must comply.

“The workshop will provide participants with details and training on the available tools to comply with the new Risk Assessment and Emergency Response Plan Requirements. In addition, the Section 2017 portion of the training will provide details on how to comply with the new release notification requirements and chemical inventory data availability.”

When: April 29, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Where: EPA Region 7 Office, Big Rivers Room

11201 Renner Boulevard, Suite 200

Lenexa, KS 66219

Registration Website Links (sign up now if you're interested since this is available to all four Region 7 states):

[Attending in person](#)

[Attending remotely via webinar](#)

LSLR Video from Milwaukee

From WaterOperator.org, January 22, 2020

Featured Video: Lead Service Line Replacement

“In this episode of Building Wisconsin, host Stuart Keith explores how Milwaukee is approaching their lead service line replacement program. Stuart learns about workforce development opportunities that train new professionals on the skills necessary for lead service line replacement. The results from these programs are visible once Stuart visits a training center in downtown Milwaukee that is actively putting the skills of these water professionals to the test.”

[You-Tube video](#)

Iowa DNR WS Staff Speaking Engagements

Iowa DNR staff in the water supply program areas are scheduled to speak at the following events. The date, sponsor and event, location, subject, and contact for more information are listed.

- March 4, 2020, IA-AWWA Region 1 Conference, Manchester, “Floods of 2019; IDNR WS Rules Update; Manganese”. [Agenda and registration available.](#)
- March 11, 2020, IA-AWWA Region 5 Conference, Newton, “Floods of 2019; IDNR WS Rules Update; Manganese panel.” [Agenda and registration available.](#)

- March 18, 2020, IA-AWWA Region 6 Conference, Washington, “IDNR WS Rules Update; Operator Integrity.” [Agenda and registration available.](#)
- March 25, 2020, IA-AWWA Region 4 Conference, Atlantic, “Manganese; IDNR WS Rules Update.” [Agenda and registration available.](#)

For other professional development opportunities, see the “Training Calendar” at programs.iowadnr.gov/opcertweb/.