



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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## DNR Staff Update

Kurt Levetzow has been promoted to the Washington Field Office 6 Supervisor position. He replaces Deb Quade, who retired on April 30<sup>th</sup>. After graduating from Iowa State University, Kurt started his career with the State Hygienic Lab in 1998. In 2000, he began employment at FO6 as an Environmental Specialist and was promoted to Environmental Specialist Senior in 2004. Kurt will officially start in his new role on May 15th.

## EPA's Guidance on Maintaining or Restoring Water Quality in Buildings

*From EPA, May 8, 2020*

"The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is providing information that public water systems, building owners, building managers, and businesses should use to minimize water stagnation during extended closures and to address building water quality."

### [Website](#)

[Guidance document](#) (.pdf, 4 pages)

[Checklist](#) (.pdf, 1 page)

## EPA Releases AWIA Risk and Resilience Assessment Checklist for CWSs; New Webinar

*From EPA Region 7, 5/13/2020*

EPA has developed tools for community water systems (CWSs) to assist the systems in complying with the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 (AWIA). This new Risk and Resilience Assessment checklist is designed for CWSs serving 3,301 – 49,999 population. Once the R&R Assessment is done, the system must update its Emergency Response Plan (ERP) to include any items noted in the Assessment. EPA has a website for each part – the Assessment and the ERP, including fillable documents for the

systems to use. The ERP website also includes instructions for submittal of the ERP certification to EPA.

EPA is administering this regulation, and it is required of all CWSs serving at least 3,301 in population (including any consecutive population). There is a sliding schedule of compliance dates, with the largest systems required to comply with the requirements on the earliest timeframe; the smallest systems must comply with the R&R Assessment portion by June 30, 2021.

In addition, EPA-Water Security Division has also just released the notice of a webinar on this topic hosted by EPA, RCAP, and AWWA. See the information below for registration.

### [Risk and Resilience Assessment Website](#)

[Checklist](#) (fillable .pdf, 36 pages)

### [Emergency Response Plan Website](#)

[Emergency Response Plan template](#) (fillable .pdf, 13 pages)

**Webinar:** Small Systems Guidance for AWIA 2018

**Date:** June 10, 2020

**Time:** noon – 1:00 p.m., CDT

### [Registration](#)

## **EPA AIS Webinar: Stainless Steel Nuts and Bolts**

*From EPA, 5/13/2020*

Please join EPA on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1PM for the first 30-minute Lunch and Learn webinar covering American Iron & Steel (AIS) compliance for stainless steel nuts and bolts in couplings, flanges, restraints, saddles & joints. EPA will review changes in compliance requirements since the expiration of the National Waiver on February 24, 2020 including purchase order dates, the minor components waiver, and the *de minimis* waiver. There will be a 15 minute presentation followed by a question and answer session.

Date: May 20, 2020

Time: 1:00 – 1:30 p.m. CDT

### [Registration](#)

## **A note on Iowa DNR and COVID-19**

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources is working with state and local officials to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and has transitioned employees to work remotely. DNR offices are closed to the public during this time and only available by appointment.

In another effort to further reduce the spread of COVID-19, the DNR is encouraging the use of the online services for submitting applications, payments and other daily tasks and interaction with DNR staff.

- [Full list of DNR's online services](#)
- [Up-to-date information on DNR services, facilities and events impacted by COVID-19](#)
- [Technical information for regulated businesses in regards to COVID-19](#)

We thank you for your patience and flexibility during this time. If you need to contact DNR staff you can reach them by email or phone or by calling 515-725-8200.