



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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## Updated Residential On-Site Wastewater Treatment Information

DNR's [Private Septic Systems webpage](#) has been updated with a revised [Residential On-Site Wastewater Treatment document](#). This publication will answer many questions that homeowners or potential homeowners, real estate agents and lenders may have about residential onsite wastewater treatment systems. Information is based on Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 567-Chapter 69, Private Sewage Disposal Systems.

If you have questions about the new document or on-site systems, please contact Cory Frank, Iowa DNR, at 515-689-7941, or e-mail at [Cory.Frank@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Cory.Frank@dnr.iowa.gov).

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## Updated DNR Antidegradation Documents

Three of the documents on DNR's [Antidegradation website](#) have been updated. These new documents need be used when preparing an antidegradation analysis. The three new documents are:

- [List of Scenarios](#)
- [Exhibit 9A - Preliminary Review of Antidegradation Alternatives Analysis](#)
- [Public and Interagency Contact List](#)

For questions on the new documents or on the Iowa Antidegradation Implementation Procedure, please contact Larry Bryant at [larry.bryant@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:larry.bryant@dnr.iowa.gov) or 515-725-8426.

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## SRF Releases FAQ and Website on BIL Implementation

The Iowa SRF Program has developed an [Infrastructure Bill Funding Opportunities](#) webpage on the [www.iowasrf.com](http://www.iowasrf.com) website dedicated to keeping SRF borrowers, partners and the public informed of the latest Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) implementation plans. The webpage currently offers:

- a [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document,
- EPA's [BIL Implementation Memo](#), and
- the recently released [OMB guidance for Build America, Buy American \(BABA\)](#).

This website will serve as host for the most up-to-date information on Iowa's funding opportunities from the BIL as well as stakeholder engagement opportunities.

Please visit the links above for more information on the BIL opportunities. Questions regarding the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law can be directed to [water-infrastructure@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:water-infrastructure@dnr.iowa.gov).

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## EPA Water Finance Clearinghouse Contributor Training Webinar

On Tuesday, May 17 from 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Eastern, EPA's [Water Infrastructure Resiliency and Finance Center](#) will host a virtual training on the [Water Finance Clearinghouse](#). This webinar will be geared at new Contributors to the Clearinghouse.

The Water Finance Clearinghouse is a web-based portal where users can locate information and resources, such as funding opportunities, reports, and webinars, that assist in making informed decisions about drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure needs.

Attendees will learn how to create a Contributor Account, watch a tutorial on how to use the Contributor account and make Fund and Resource submissions, and discover tips and best practices to use the Clearinghouse

Registration is now [available here](#).

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## Operator Certification: Upcoming Conferences and Continuing Education Opportunities

Online and virtual training opportunities are being created and offered through community colleges, state industry associations, national industry associations, EPA, and other state industry partners. All operators should continue to monitor their emails and the Training Calendar on the [Iowa DNR Operator Certification Database](#). Look at the calendar often, as there are new opportunities posted throughout the week.

### Upcoming Conferences/Trainings include:

- **IAWEA 2022 Annual Conference** [Event Website](#)
  - June 8-9, River Center, Davenport
- **IRWA, Resiliency and Sustainability Workshops** [Event Website](#)
  - May 17, Clay County Regional Events Center, 800 W 18th Street, Spencer
  - May 19, Nevada Public Library, 631 K Ave, Nevada
- **Environmental Finance Center, Asset Management for Iowa Small Systems**
  - [June 7 | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CDT | Coralville](#)

- [June 8 | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CDT | Atlantic](#)

Please contact Laurie Sharp at (515) 725-0284 with any questions concerning operator certification training.