



2016-2017

Special Summer Meeting Notice

Minnesota Geotechnical Society

MDH Update – New Environmental Borehole Regulations

Mr. Jim Rudd & Mr. Rich Lamb

As many of you may be aware, rules for sealing wells and borings will change effective July 1 as a result of the Health and Human Services Omnibus Bill which was ultimately passed by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Dayton on May 30, 2017. A summary of the changes in fees and policies was provided by the Minnesota Department of Health to licensed well contractors on June 12 (<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/wells/lwcinfo/feechanges2017.pdf>). It appears these changes will have a significant impact on how geotechnical borings are sealed and regulated. To provide some perspectives on the changes, the MGS board has invited Mr. Jim Rudd (a principal engineer/vice president with American Engineering Testing) and Mr. Rich Lamb (foundations engineer at MnDOT) to a special summer meeting of MGS on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 (meeting details below). Mr. Rudd will discuss “environmental boreholes” under the previous rules compared to “temporary environmental wells” and required notifications covered by the new rules. Mr. Lamb will discuss how the changes will impact MnDOT’s planning and scoping of both roadway and foundation boring projects.

We planned to have an MDH representative present also to help answer any additional questions regarding the policy change

Date: Wednesday, July 12th, 2017

Location: Poor Richard's Commonhouse – Banquet Room
8301 Normandale Blvd, Bloomington, MN 55437

Time: 6:00 Social Hour – Sponsor TBD

7:00 Dinner – Buffet Style – \$30.00

8:00 Presentation – Mr. Jim Rudd, PE - AET & Mr. Rich Lamb, PE - MnDOT
(One professional development hour toward continuing education requirements for Professional Engineers is available).

Cost: 2016-2017 MGS Membership Dues are \$30.
Paid 2016-2017 MGS Members receive a \$5 meeting discount on the meal costs listed above.
The cost for full-time students is \$10, payable to MGS at the door.

Reservations: Requested by noon, Friday, July 7th, 2017

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