

Drinking Water & Groundwater Protection Division

Regional Office Program Newsletter

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Don't forget!

Submit your reports and inspections by the end of the year! DWGPD will send out letters to property owners in January, for systems without completed paperwork as required in their permits.



Check out the list of continuing education opportunities, required to maintain licensure! This list has been updated to reflect training opportunities for 2023:

<https://dec.vermont.gov/water/licensed-designers/training>

Greetings Licensed Designers!

We are restarting a newsletter for you to go out on an approximately quarterly basis, to keep you up to date on news and other information regarding the DWGPD's Regional Office Program. We hope you find it helpful and informative.

In this issue you will find:

- Year-end reminders for 2022
- Information on training opportunities and continuing education
- Friendly technical and administrative reminders from DWGPD Staff
- A Staff Spotlight

We appreciate all that you do for the citizens of the state of Vermont. As always, please feel free to reach out to us with any issues, questions, or suggestions.

Happy New Year to all!

Technical Reminder - Presumptive Isolation Zones

Please recall that as required by Act 145, notification is required to affected landowners when as-built locations of components of a potable water supply or wastewater system cause any changes to portions of the presumptive isolation zones associated with previously-permitted design which extend onto another property. As addressed in §1-307(c) of Chapter 1 of the Environmental Protection Rules, that circumstance requires a completed copy of ANR Form 3 to be sent to the overshadowed landowner(s) with a copy of the record drawing depicting the revised presumptive isolation zone(s), and a completed copy of ANR Form 4 and copies of the certified mail receipts to be uploaded to the ANROnline portal with the rest of the installation certification documents.

Staff Spotlight

We will feature one staff member each issue and hope to highlight individuals on our staff and their work with the Regional Office Program.

This quarter, meet **Chris Tomburg**, Regional Engineer in the Springfield office!

When did you start with DWGPD and tell us a little bit about what you were doing before joining?

Chris: Joined in the summer of 2013. I was unfortunately part of the reduction in force of 2015 and moved to the Stormwater Program. I was able to rejoin with DWGWP in the fall of 2021. Prior to employment with the State, I worked for Vermont Electric Power Co., in Rutland, and prior to that at Pioneer Environmental Associates, in Vergennes.

Can you briefly describe your role and what office you work with for the Regional Office Program?

Chris: I work out of the Springfield Regional Office, covering Bennington County, and half of the Rutland County (when fully staffed). I spend my time with designers, landowners, attorneys, and general public to permit and assessment compliance for potable water supplies and wastewater disposal systems less than 6,500gpd.

Could you share one thing you enjoy about your job?

Chris: I enjoy the consistency of the work.

What do you enjoy doing when you're not at work?

Chris: I like to have a vegetable garden...always gets overgrown and I am not very good, but I enjoy it.

What are you most looking forward to in 2023, professionally or personally?

Chris: Getting in the field to see some pits.

Reminders and updates for application processing

ARPA – Please don't forget to verify ARPA status of the applicant and accurately reflect status in their application.

ACT 145 Form 4

Certified receipts must be completed with name and address of the recipient.

Don't submit the application before 7-day notification is up.

Date of the certification form should have the date of the receipts from post office or subsequent date.

General submission reminders

The most efficient method of payment is online the day the application is submitted.

The submission can be shared with the Landowner so they can make a credit card or e-check payment online – see instructions here: <https://anrweb.vt.gov/anr/anrdocs/anonline/instructions/sharingsubmissions.pdf>

Payments by check can hold up the processing of the applications.

If sending a check, mail to this address only:

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