Onsite Wastewater Treatment Education Resources for Educating Clientele

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Analyze Your Audience

- Teachers
- Home owners
- Practioners (pumpers, installers, designers)
- Regulators
- Local decision-makers

Bevy of Resources Available

- Videos/DVDs
- Fact Sheets
- Tabletop Booth Displays
- Physical Models
- Curriculum
- Web Sites
- Training Centers
- Miscellaneous

Videos/DVDs

- Alternative Septic Systems
- The Care and Feeding of Your Septic Tank
- Choosing an Alternative Septic System
- Inspecting Existing Septic Systems During Home Sales
- Landscaping Your Drainfield
- On-Site Wastewater Treatment Systems: Constructed Wetlands
- Overview of Septic Systems
- Professional On-site Sewage System Maintenance
- Septic Evaluation
- Septic System Maintenance
- Septic Systems Revealed: Guide to Operation, Care, and Maintenance
- Understanding and Maintaining Alternative On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems
- Water Conservation Managing Our Precious Liquid Asset
- What to expect from your Home Inspection
- The Why, When, & How of Septic System Care and Maintenance
- Your Septic System: A Guide for Homeowners

Fact Sheets

(selected list)

- "twenty-a-million" fact sheets available
 - Sources:
 - Texas Cooperative Extension (Spanish versions available)
 - North Carolina State University
 - University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension
 - University of Arizona Cooperative Extension
 - Purdue University Cooperative Extension
 - University of Minnesota
 - Topics:
 - Homeowner maintenance
 - Installation
 - Do's and Don'ts
 - Additives
 - Landscaping

Tabletop Booth Displays

Household Septic System

 University of Arizona.
Approximate size: 32" tall x 60" wide.

Caring for Your Septic System

 Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service.
Approximate size: 26" tall x 80" wide.



Physical Models

- Conventional System: Septic Tank with Soil Absorption Field
- Septic Tank Model





• Soil Treatment System Model



Curriculum

• Practioner training

- Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment:
 - http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm
 - Practioner training >> Activities
- University courses
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 - http://www.onsiteconsortium.org/index.cfm
 - Academic curriculum >> Activities

Training Centers

- Alabama
- Arizona
- California
- Florida
- Kentucky
- New York

- North Carolina
- Missouri
- Rhode Island
- Texas
- Utah

Web Sites - Selected

- Consortium of Institutes for Decentralized Wastewater Treatment
- EPA
- National Association of Wastewater Transporters
- National Decentralized Water Resources Capacity Development Project
- National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Assn.
- National Small Flows Clearinghouse
- Showcase (Washington Dept of Ecology)

Miscellaneous

- Magnets
- Training Center Signs
- Comic Book



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• Any Questions?

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