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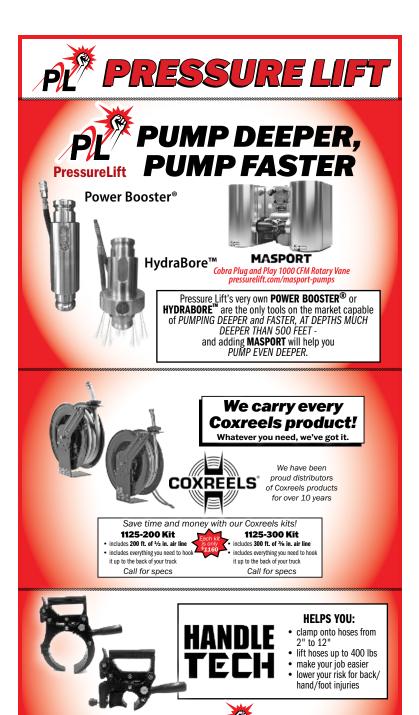
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Show Us Your Classy Truck

Join us at our new social media channels to celebrate the top trucks in the septic service industry

By Jim Kneiszel

ur Classy Truck feature was born in the 1990s and has been popular with pumpers even since. Many of you have shared photos of your trucks over the years, first sending paper print photos through the U.S. mail and then via email, which has made the process much easier.

And now it's about time we bring our monthly vacuum truck beauty pageant into the 21st century with a stronger social media presence. We want to make it easier for you to compare notes with other pumper truck lovers about how to spec out trucks for improved service, better ergonomics and, of course, making them more effective rolling billboards for your company.

So here's the skinny on building a bigger Classy Truck community: To get more involved in the feature that has been part of *Pumper* magazine for



a generation, check our new Facebook group page at www.facebook.com/groups/pumperclassytruck. The Classy Truck group is private, so you'll have to answer a few questions to join, but we want to welcome all fans of vacuum truck building. To make it easy-peasy, scan the QR code to the left and you'll be taken directly to an invitation to join the group.

Also, you can follow us on Instagram at www.instagram.com/pumpermagazine/. And if you want to post a photo of your latest rig, use the #classytruck@pumpermagazine hashtag. Also, I will continue to explore Instagram looking for pumpers who frequently post photos and videos of their trucks in action.



The annual Classy Truck winner is given a second special vinyl to add to the truck. These vinyls are a stamp of approval that shows your truck meets a high standard of professionalism in the pumping industry.

POST A VIDEO

Speaking of videos, we invite you to add a walk-around tour of your service trucks for our social media visitors to get a better look at the custom features you find most important. That could include a peek under the hood to see the power plant and inside the cab to review your interior choices. Show us your pump, chrome accents and convenience items like sight glasses, hose trays, equipment cabinets, etc. All this added information will come in handy when ...

... *Pumper* readers are asked to vote for the Classy Truck of the Year. That's right. Since 2006, we've assembled the monthly trucks in a virtual garage, where you are invited to help us choose the cream of the crop for our annual honor. Being featured on the cover of our WWETT Show issue in February has become a source of great pride for Classy Truck owners. It has been so cool to distribute extra copies of the magazine at the WWETT Show for many years and pay tribute to some top-notch trucks.

In 2020, we designed a monthly Classy Truck logo vinyl graphic that is giv-

en to the owner of each of our featured trucks. I'm including a copy of the logo here. The annual Classy Truck winner is given a second special vinyl to add to the truck. These vinyls are a stamp of approval that shows your truck meets a high standard of professionalism in the pumping industry. If you've received one of the vinyls and it is affixed to your truck, we'd love for you to post a photo of it on our social media channels.



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LOOKING BACK

When planning for this column, I thought it would be interesting to review our first Classy Truck winner from 2006 and our most recent winner from 2022. I've included photos here.

Our first winner was the late Ed McGuire, from McGuire's Septic Service in Rome, Pennsylvania. A late-model dirt track racer and old-car buff, Ed chose a fitting two-tone paint job for his Sterling Acterra build-out by Pik-Rite — 1957 Chevy turquoise and Chrysler Super White. The truck carried a 2,500-gallon steel tank, 8-speed Eaton Fuller transmission and an R-260 Jurop pump. Recently I heard word that this great truck is still on the road serving pumper customers.

"I never dreamed that we'd win," Ed told me at the time. "I'm overwhelmed. I've chuckled to myself a few times about it. I've been doing this for 40 years and I know what I want. [Pik-Rite] did a super job. They had some neat ideas and we worked really well together."

Our latest Classy Truck annual winners are Jerry and Chris Jakubowicz, of Rural Septic Service in Boyd, Wisconsin. Their pride and joy is a \$285,000 buildout of a Peterbilt 567 from Imperial Industries. The all-red rig is powered by a Cummins X15 100th Anniversary edition 450 hp engine pulling a 5,000-gallon steel tank. The truck utilizes a National Vacuum Equipment





blower and Allison automatic transmission, two features that would have been fairly rare in earlier trucks like Ed's.

Jerry had a similar response to Ed's when he was told his truck won the prize.

"I was shocked. I didn't think I'd ever win. There's a lot of nice trucks out there," he said earlier this year. "What can I say [about the truck] other than I love it? Imperial did a hell of a job building it."

STAKE YOUR CLAIM

You can join Ed and Jerry in writing the next chapter of our Classy Truck feature.

If you have submitted a Classy Truck for publication in the past, you know the routine. And you're always invited back to share your latest new truck or a restoration of an existing rig. If you've never participated before, the process is quick and simple. Let me explain:

First, shoot a photo of your truck. You can use your smartphone or a digital camera, but please set it for the highest-quality image because we need lots of pixels to publish a photo in the print magazine. Make sure to show the entire truck, from bumper to bumper, with a side view to show off both the cab and the tank. You can choose the driver or passenger side based on the features you would like to include. Just like people, every truck has a better side for photos, right?

Look for an interesting backdrop for the photo, such as a tree-lined natural area or an interesting commercial customer's business. And one last piece of photography advice: point your truck into the sun so it is brightly lit and not backlit. Early morning or late afternoon sun is the best as it casts a warmer glow on your beautiful paint job and polished chrome.

Along with your photos, we ask you to fill out a brief questionnaire with details about your truck. Here's what we want to know so we can share with readers: The owner; the driver; what type of work the truck performs; the paint scheme; brand, model and year of the truck; engine specifications, including horsepower, model name or number; the company that added the tank and built out the truck; the tank capacity and material — steel, stainless steel or aluminum; favorite exterior and interior features; the name of the company that added graphics.

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Canada's Hurricane Hydrovac has the tools and talent to pump or dig on just about any job where vacuum power is required

By Ken Wysocky

very day, more than two dozen hydroexcavation and dry- and wet-vacuum trucks emblazoned with Hurricane Hydrovac iconography fan out across southern Ontario to expose underground utility lines, pump out septic tanks, dig trenches, perform industrial cleaning and flush municipal sewer lines.

Offering this broad range of services is a chief reason why Hurricane Hydrovac — based in Essex, Ontario, about 15 miles southeast of downtown Detroit — has grown dramatically since its inception in 2015.

"We do all kinds of vacuum work," says Shawn O'Keefe, who co-owns the company with business partner Max De Angelis. "If you have a job that requires a vac truck, we can do it. We're licensed to carry anything.

"A lot of guys in this business just dig holes," he continues. "But we do everything, from handling emergency spills and sewer flushing to industrial cleaning and railroad work."

Strategic acquisitions also have played a key role in the company's growth. In fact, the biggest acquisition — the 2015 purchase of Heaton Sanitation, which cleans grease traps and septic and holding tanks — essentially created Hurricane Hydrovac.

And in 2016, the company acquired Leamington-based Sewer Maintenance Services, which cleans and inspects municipal sewer lines and does trenchless pipeline rehabilitation work. The company was rebranded as Hurricane SMS and operates as a separate company from Hurricane Hydrovac.

Today, the company's primary customers are gas and electric utilities, telecommunications companies, municipalities, general contractors that do roadwork and heavy construction, O'Keefe says.

WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE

O'Keefe, age 49, has deep roots in the excavation world. While attending high school and earning an engineering degree at the University of Windsor, he worked for his father's company, Michael O'Keefe Ltd., which did excavating, septic pumping and industrial cleaning.

"I was running heavy equipment at age 15," he recalls.

In 1996, after graduating from the university, O'Keefe started working for his father full time. Around 2009, he persuaded his father to add hydroexcavating to the company's services. And in 2015, O'Keefe and De Angelis, whom O'Keefe knew after years of working together in the construction field, teamed up to buy Heaton Sanitation and form Hurricane Hydrovac.

Heaton Sanitation is still in business and focuses mostly on cleaning septic tanks, grease traps and holding tanks, while its hydroexcavation services were folded into the Hurricane Hydrovac umbrella.

"We saw there was a growing need for hydrovac service," O'Keefe says. "It was a great opportunity because at the time, there wasn't a ton of competition. So we wanted to get in early, dominate our area and expand into southern Ontario.

"Now there's a ton of companies entering the market — probably 10 times more than when we started," he adds. "But there's also a lot more need for hydrovac work, so for the most part, there's plenty of work to go around."





Hurricane Hydrovac Ltd.

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Why did O'Keefe and De Angelis decide to acquire a company instead of building one from scratch? The partners debated the pros and cons of both scenarios for some time before deciding that acquiring a company provided two big advantages: It eliminated a competitor and gave Hurricane Hydrovac a core group of experienced operators right away.

"By acquiring Heaton, we started out with a large customer base and operators with decades of experience, which was priceless," O'Keefe notes. "Some of our guys have been operating hydroexcavation trucks for more than 25 years, which is a huge knowledge base."

This nighttime shot shows a Vactor 2100 Plus used for sewer flushing and hydroexcavation, left, and a cube van outfitted with a RapidView IBAK inspection system. (Courtesy of Hurricane Hydrovac)

High pressure hydroexcavation makes short work of a digging job at a residential construction site.

Starting out with a solid base of experienced operators also enabled the company to charge profitable rates, as opposed to discounting rate to gain market share, he says.

"We don't sell jobs based on price," O'Keefe explains. "We sell based on providing the best service. If people balk at our prices, we educate them and explain that trucks cost about \$500,000 and that labor rates for experienced operators isn't cheap, either.

"We believe that customers want you to be available when they need you and they want you to provide good, quality equipment and knowledgeable people," he continues. "When someone hires a hydrovac company, it's a big expense. But they'll accept that as long as they get good service."

INVESTING IN EQUIPMENT

A critical part of providing good service is investing in quality equipment that maximizes productivity and profitability and minimizes downtime. And Hurricane Hydrovac's fleet of equipment reflects that emphasis on service.

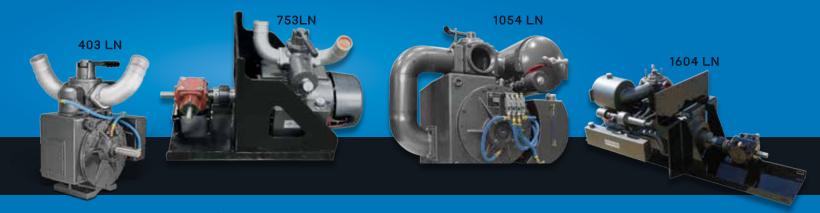
When Hurricane Hydrovac acquired Heaton, the former owned four hydrovac trucks and Heaton owned seven. Now the company owns a fleet of 13 hydroexcavating trucks, eight combination sewer trucks and five liquid-vacuum trucks.

Five of the hydrovac trucks are Vactor HXX models built on Kenworth, International and Western Star chassis. They carry 15-cubic-yard debris tanks and 1,300-gallon water tanks and rely on Cat water pumps and blowers made by Hibon Inc. (a division of Ingersoll Rand).

The company also owns two hydrovac trucks built by Foremost on Kenworth chassis with 15-cubic-yard debris tanks, 2,000-gallon water tanks,

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A Wolf hydroexcavator, built by Westech Vac Systems on a Western Star chassis with a 15-cubic-yard debris tank, a 1,300-gallon water tank, a Cat water pump and a Hibon blower, rounds out the roster of hydrovac trucks.

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The company also owns eight Vactor 2100 combination sewer trucks built on Kenworth, Western Star and Sterling chassis; they feature debris tanks ranging from 12 to 15 cubic yards, Vactor-made water pumps and either Roots blowers (Howden) or Vactor two-stage fans.

Carmon Geffs and Tom Ross use a high water pressure hose from a Rival hydrovac to excavate dirt around a home construction site in

In addition, the company has invested in five liquid vac trucks built out on Peterbilt and Western Star chassis by Presvac Systems and Cusco; they feature 3,000 to 4,000-gallon debris tanks and vacuum pumps manufactured by Robuschi. Two liquid vac trucks built by Custom Vac Services and used primarily for septic and liquid-waste industrial work, feature Peterbilt chassis, 4,000-gallon debris tanks and Robuschi vacuum pumps.

Hurricane Hydrovac also invested in a Hi-Rail dry-vacuum truck built out by Guzzler Manufacturing (a subsidiary of Federal Signal Corp.); it's equipped with special wheels that enable it to drive on railroad tracks when needed. It features an 18-cubic-yard debris tank and a Hibon blower and is used to clean up spills at railroad yards or in rail tunnels.

Investing in quality equipment also works as an employee retention tool, O'Keefe notes.

"I definitely think it does," he says. "They need to believe in the ownership of a company. If employees see a company doesn't invest in new equipment and start thinking it won't be here in a few years, they're less likely to stick around. Plus, guys love to run newer trucks.

"We don't cut corners on maintenance, either," O'Keefe adds. "One of the most frustrating things for an operator is showing up on a job with a truck that's not working 100% and having to explain that to a customer.

"We don't put our guys in that position."

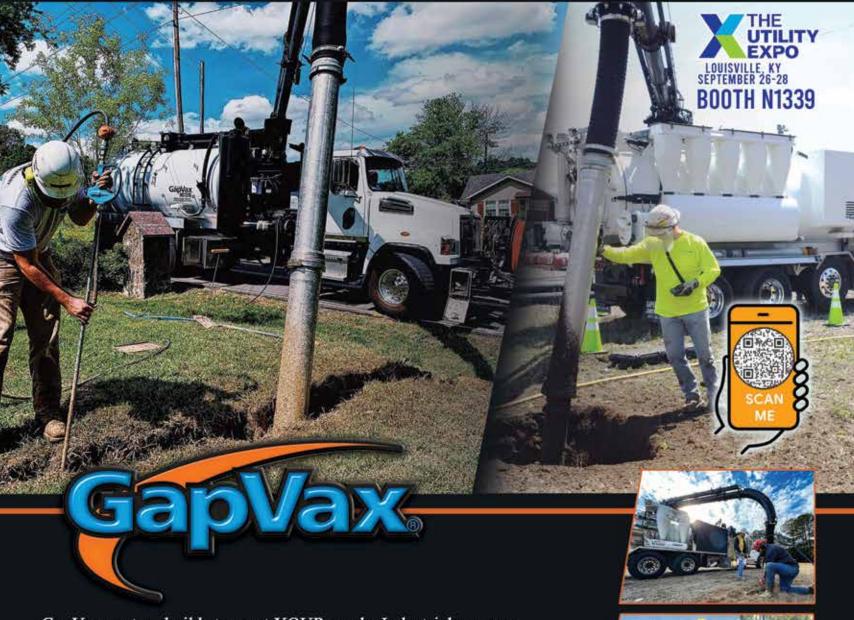
To that end, the company runs its own repair shop with eight to 10 full-time mechanics, another eight employees that do painting and sandblasting and a couple more that do metal fabricating.

"With a repair shop, we can control the time it takes for repairs," O'Keefe points out. In addition, the shop has enough room to park about 18 trucks indoors, which saves money on winterizing them, he adds.

QUALITY COUNTS

The company prides itself on providing customers with fast, quality work. To ensure that requires building a culture that rewards hard work and

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integrity. Part of that culture was built by veteran Heaton employees that stayed on board after the acquisition, O'Keefe notes.

A lead-by-example ethic instilled by O'Keefe and De Angelis also sent a strong message to employees, he says.

"Nobody here is too good to get dirty or do dirty work," O'Keefe explains. "Max and I and our managers aren't afraid to get out in the field. I still run [excavation] equipment on most days. The easiest way to earn the respect of employees is to get out there with them."

As an example, O'Keefe cites a sewer replacement project that didn't go as planned, requiring a crew to dig up the line and reinstall it.

"On a Friday night, I went down into about a 10-foot-deep trench, up to my knees in mud, to fix the sewer myself," he says. "You have to lead by example."

OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK

Looking back, O'Keefe says the biggest business mistake he ever made was not entering the hydroexcavation market earlier.

"We should've started 10 years before we did," he says. "We would've had an even better head start."

But looking ahead, the entrepreneur expects continued growth for Hurricane Hydrovac — no tapping on the brakes. And some of that growth could come from expanding services geographically and perhaps even buying more companies.

"I don't think you can stop growing," he says. "And I don't see a slowdown in sight. But we're looking for organic growth, maybe by spreading farther east more than we have." $\[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2$

Whatever growth occurs, O'Keefe doesn't want it to come at the expense of quality control and customer satisfaction.

"We're not looking to quickly double or triple in size," he continues. "If we can grow 10 to 20% a year, that would be sustainable. And we're always open to more acquisitions if the right opportunities come along."



Business-building lessons

Since starting Hurricane Hydrovac in 2015, Shawn O'Keefe says the company he and Max De Angelis co-own has roughly tripled in size.

Getting into the hydroexcavation market before competitors played a big role in that growth. "We also had a solid business plan," says O'Keefe. "We both ran other businesses before we started this one, so we had experience."

O'Keefe also notes that he and De Angelis prioritized investing profits back into the company in the form of new equipment. Providing great customer service also was critical.

"We will do anything for customers and we have the experience to do it, too," he says. "And we're always available. We answer the phone 24 hours a day — no answering service. And as managers, we're available 24 hours a day for our customers and our employees."

The ability to provide a diverse array of services also was key.

"When one market slows down, another seems to pick up," O'Keefe explains. As an example, when construction-related hydroexcavation work starts winding down as winter comes, scheduled maintenance kicks into gear at industrial plants that shut down for cleaning during the holidays.

It also helps that the hydroexcavation trucks are capable of doing more than just excavating; when it rains a lot and they can't work on projects, for example, the trucks can be used to clean catch basins or flush sewer lines.





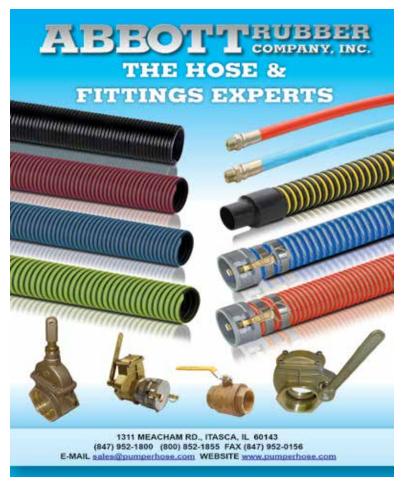


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You Had a Training Session and Nobody Learned Anything

Explore these three root causes why training doesn't stick with your crew and make some changes

By Kate Zabriskie

ach year, businesses waste thousands of dollars on training that doesn't deliver expected results. Consequently, many company owners or managers determine that either training has no value to their employees, the training facilitators don't know what they're doing, the program designers are out of touch with reality, or all three.

If only the root causes of training failures were as simple as those. Even with willing learners, great content and strong facilitation, a host of problems could keep you from realizing strong returns on those training investments. If your training isn't delivering what you think it should, you may be suffering from one of three major problems that plague organizations large and small.

Problem 1: Training isn't part of a larger learning ecosystem

Just because people participate in a workshop, it doesn't mean they will change their behavior back on the job. In fact, even if while in class they demonstrate an ability and willingness to do whatever is being taught, all may be lost once participants exit the classroom.

Why does this happen? Good workshops usually fail to deliver because they are treated as a training solution instead of a component of one. In other words, a workshop isn't the answer in itself; rather, it should be part of a larger apparatus or ecosystem.

Solution

Creating a strong learning ecosystem is an ongoing and often complex endeavor. It takes time to build a holistic structure that supports continuous development. That said, start small. For example, ask yourself:

- Prior to training, do managers explain to workers why they will attend a course and how they are expected to use what's learned after the session?
- Will someone with authority in your company (other than the facilitator) launch the session by explaining how the workshop ties into the bigger picture?
- Are there check-in opportunities after training to ensure that participants are implementing new behaviors?

If you answer "no" to any of those basics, do what you need to do to shift those answers to "yes."

Regardless of level, every employee should have a development plan and some learning and growth goals that connect to the big picture and enhance their skills.

Next, think about the incentives you can put in place to encourage behavior change and the barriers you need to remove to encourage success, and the corrective action you will take if what's happening in the classroom isn't replicated on the job.

Once you start thinking holistically and view courses and workshops as a component of learning versus learning in its entirety, you will have taken the first step in getting the most out of your training dollars.

Problem 2: Continuous learning isn't part of the culture, and training isn't treated as a priority

You have great content, you have a skilled facilitator in place, and half the people scheduled to attend the course don't attend because training isn't a priority.

When training occupies a position of "nice to have" and not "need to have," getting the most from it becomes problematic. This most often happens when people are in survival mode instead of on a growth trajectory. In other words, they are scrambling to get through the work instead of thinking mindfully about the work they're completing and how they're completing it.

In practical terms, if people are always putting out fires and don't regularly ask "What have we learned?" and "How can we improve?" why should they care about learning new skills?

Solution

Shifting from a reactive culture to one that is deliberate about its activities takes months or even years. However, it's not difficult to make big strides over time when you begin by asking the right questions up, down and across your workforce.



Start the improvement conversation at multiple levels and at different times. Frequently ask, "What have we learned?" "What do we need to do better next time?" "What do we wish we'd known earlier?" and other such questions after projects, meetings, presentations and so forth. In the rare instances when something goes perfectly, remember there are still questions to ask: "How can we replicate what we just did?" "Why did that work well?" "Is there any reason this approach won't work again in the future?" and so on.

When questioning becomes the norm, the solutions offered via training should have stronger importance and value. For example, if turnover is an issue, a learning organization wants to know why and may ask several questions: "Are we hiring the wrong people?" "Are we expecting too much?" "Is there something better for the same money somewhere else?" "Do our managers not manage well?" "Do we need to provide people with better tools?" and so on.

Then, when learning and improvement are a priority, you'll hear such things as, "Today is a training day for me. I'll be unavailable until 4 p.m. If you have an emergency, please see my supervisor Melissa. The workshop I'm attending is of top importance and part of my effort to reduce the turnover."

Who can argue with that? The logic sounds right and ties into big-picture improvement goals.

To get larger returns from training, use questioning to drive improvement. The answers will help people connect the dots and understand why training is a priority and not just something they do because it's on the calendar.

Problem 3: Few annual development plans exist

The world doesn't stagnate, and your employees shouldn't either. If they're doing their work the same way they were five years ago, and nobody is encouraging or demanding change, why should they care about training or think you care about them?

Solution

Regardless of level, every employee should have a development plan and some learning and growth goals that connect to the big picture and enhance their skills.

"I want to improve XYZ skill to drive ABC result, and 123 is how I plan to grow," is a quick and easy format to follow when setting development goals and three to five goals is a good number for most people.

Better still, if you can tie those goals to performance reviews, you'll be amazed at the interest people develop in improvement, training and implementing new skills.

As with the other two solutions, start small. If your company, for example, has no development plans, choose one area — such as service technicians — and pilot them.

Act Now

Whether you suffer from one, two or all three of the problems described, take action now. When thoughtful goals and development plans are put in place for workers, it is almost impossible not to realize a stronger return on your training dollars.

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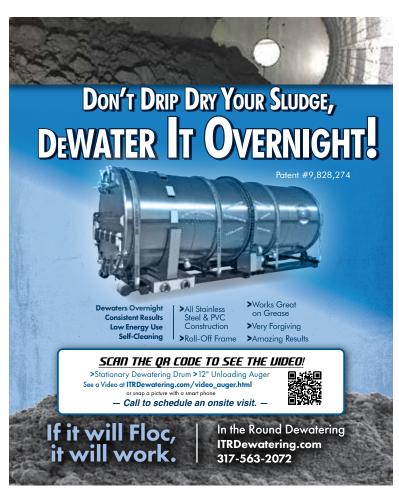
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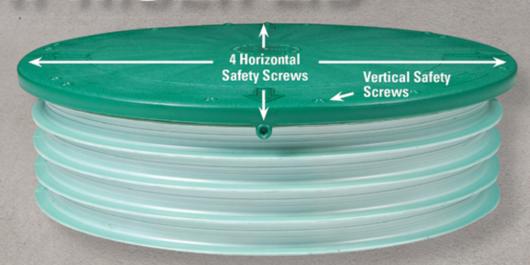


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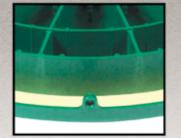
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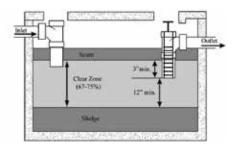
Measuring Sludge and Scum — It Must Be Done!

Effective core sampling sets the stage for proper septic tank maintenance

By Sara Heger, Ph.D. Photos courtesy of Sara Heger

ome companies and jurisdictions have a maximum time period between septic tank pumping events, but we all know many variables impact the need for this septic service. How frequently a septic tank should be pumped depends upon the septic tank capacity, the number of people using the system and appliances that send waste to the tank, such as a garbage disposal.

Tank capacity and consequently detention time is reduced as solids build up. A tank detention time of less than 24 hours may result in some solids being discharged with the effluent and carried to the advanced pretreatment unit or the soil treatment area. To protect the downstream components, it's necessary to periodically remove accumulated solids in the septic tank.



Note the preferred depth of the layers found in a healthy septic tank.

Proper septic system maintenance is on the rise in the U.S., and this generates more septage. If more than 60 million Americans are regularly pumping their septic tanks, that amounts to a lot of waste collected. While this is occurring, the price for hauling, disposal and treatment of septage is increasing due to growing environmental requirements, fuel and equipment costs, and labor.

PUMP AS NEEDED

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, factors that affect the physical characteristics of septage are climate, user habits, septic tank size, system design, pumping frequency, water supply characteristics, piping material, use of water-conservation fixtures, garbage disposals, household chemicals and water softeners. The two most common approaches to disposal of septage are taking it to a wastewater treatment plant for treatment or land applying it as a fertilizer and land conditioner.

Some treatment plants do not have the capacity to accept septage, and those that do have been increasing rates. Septage is typically more concentrated than municipal wastewater. The current challenge for many treatment facilities is to create enough septage disposal capacity to meet more stringent EPA regulations, while not overtaxing their treatment processes. Some plants charge a flat fee per load and a permit fee, while others charge based on actual volume received using flow metering to measure the gallons of each load. Some rates are determined not only by the flow but also the content or source of the septage.

Land application of septage is not allowed in some jurisdictions and is under increasing scrutiny. Application rates depend on the slope, soil type, depth of application, drainage class and hydraulic loading. As more land is developed across the U.S., land application sites are being taken out of production.

All these issues result in an increased cost to pump septic tanks. As an industry, we need to move away from a mandatory time period for septic tank pumping and only clean them as needed. In addition, we need to develop more options to deal with septage, such as regional septage processing facilities that could create compost.

THE 25% RULE

Although the specific requirements concerning septic pumping vary slightly based on the jurisdiction or system specifics, the general rule of thumb is that a tank should be cleaned if 25% of the initial liquid capacity is occupied by floating and settled solids (for example, 250 gallons in a 1,000-gallon tank). This can be seen in the accompanying diagram.



This core sample shows a tank with substantial sludge buildup requiring a pumping service.



For example, if the sludge is 15 inches and the scum is 2 inches, we have a total of 17 inches and with a liquid depth of the tank of 60 inches we can calculate the percentage of sludge this way: (17 inches \div 60 inches) 100 = 28%. Septic tank needs to be pumped.

It is also true that we do not want sludge or scum accumulating too close to the outlet baffle/screen, so many regulations also state that the bottom of the scum layer should be several inches above the outlet and that the sludge be a foot or more below the outlet. If a pump tank is part of the system, we also want to check accumulations there. Sludge and scum being drawn into the pump can cause issues with the pump and overload downstream components.

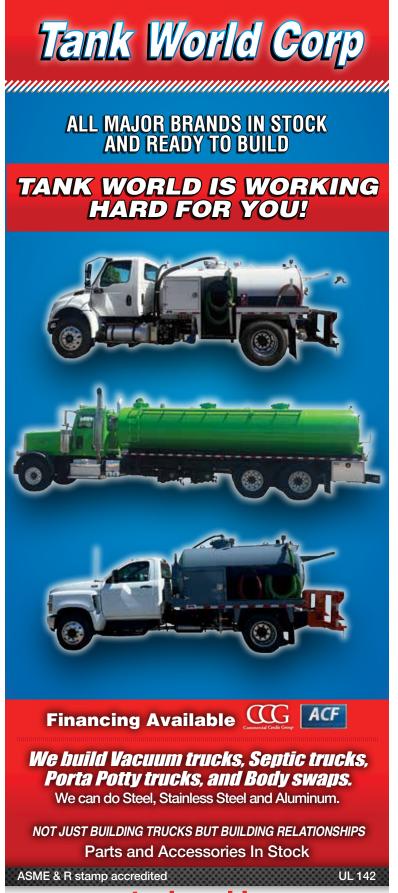
This means scum and sludge accumulations should be periodically evaluated. For residential applications without advanced pretreatment, this should be done at a minimum of every two to three years. Even if the septic tank does not need to be pumped at the time of the visit, an overall evaluation of the tank can highlight other issues or repairs needed. These may include leaks at joints or connections, missing baffles or roots that — if left unchecked — could damage the system. Confirming manhole lid safety and integrity is also important.

For commercial systems, the frequency is a little harder to dictate as it will be based on the usage within the facility. However, it typically will range from quarterly to annual.



Pumping too frequently may prohibit development of a normal population of beneficial microbes. From the perspective of system longevity, it may be best to err on the side of pumping too often rather than not enough. However, excessive pumping increases the burden on septage disposal facilities and adds unnecessary cost for the owner. In addition, there is some evidence that when tanks are pumped every year or even more frequently, they sometimes do not develop normal scum and sludge layers.

The recommendation is to make pumping interval decisions based on actual tank conditions observed during your evaluation.



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Branct Branct Brandt Truck Rigging & Trailers 1806 2 St. Nisku, AB T9E OW8 877-955-2770 • 780-955-2770 www.brandt.ca/trucks	HX120 Hydrovac	Chassis	Hydro	11.6	Hydraulic Latching System		1,150	16 gpm 3,000 psi	28"" hg 4,000 cfm	Dual cyclone & cartridge
GapVax Inc. 575 Central Ave.	VHX	Chassis	Hydro	7.5	Full opening	50 degrees	750	13 gpm 3,000 psi	28" hg 4,000 ofm	Wet/dry
Johnstown, PA 15902 888-442-7829 • 814-535-6766 f: 814-539-3617 www.gapvax.com Inquiry@gapvax.com	HV55 HydroVax	Chassis	Hydro	12.5	Full Opening	50 degrees	400 - 1,400	5 - 40 gpm 2,000 - 5,800 psi	28" hg 5,250 cfm	Wet/dry
See Ad - Page 21	HV57 Series Air Mover	Chassis	Air	17	Full Opening	50 degrees			28" hg 5,200 cfm	Wet/dry
	MC Series Combo JetVac	Chassis	JetVac	5 - 13	Full Opening	50 degrees	500 - 2,000	80 gpm 2,000 psi	18" hg 4,500 cfm	Wet only
Guzzier Manufacturing, Inc. 1621 S Illinois St. Streator, IL 61364 815-672-3171 www.guzzier.com sales@guzzier.com See Ad - Page 47	Guzzier Guzzcavator	Chassis	Нудго	16 or 18	3/4	50 degrees	600	10 gpm 2,500 psi	27" hg 5,250 cfm	Cyclone and baghouse with 60 70" Dacron filter bags
	Guzzler GLE w/air excavation package	Chassis	Air	18	3/4	50 degrees			27" hg 5,250 cfm	Cyclone and baghouse with 60 filter bags

Boom Size (ft.)	Degree of Rotation	Offloading Type	Controls Location	Wireless Y/N	Vacuum (CFM/PSI)	Power Source	Compressed Air Flow	Compressed Air Pressure	Accessories Available	Other
28'	340	Hoist, pressure offload, full open rear door, hydraulic vibrator	Control system integrated into truck chassis. Heated operator enclosure	Yes	4,000 cfm	Dual PTO			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Rear-door safety lock out and hoist lift, Abrasion-resistant, steel plate turret, 100'3/8", high-temp, electric rewind reel, quiet, compact design & low tare weight, Remote Hose Storage Tray, Landspread, Pressure Offload, HighVoltage Proximity Detection, Full Surround Camera Package, Cyclone Quick Clean Out, Rear Signboard, Wash Wand Package, Diesel Coolant Heater System, High Visibility Fluid Level Indicators, Decant Valve Package, Second Wash Reel, Corded Work Light, Quick Attach Life Line Static Reel, Trailering Package, Blower Diesel Flush
22' reach, 15 degrees downward pivot	270	Decant, fully opening tailgate, optional sludge pump	Curbside	Yes	4,000 cfm	Chassis / transfer case driven	200 cfm (optional)		Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Cabinets	
17' - 25' reach from center of truck	270	Fully open tailgate, decant; optional auger and sludge pump	Driver's side and curbside	Yes	5,300 cfm / 28" hg	Chassis / transfer case driven	200 cfm	200 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	
Tailgate port- hose; boom optional		Fully opening tailgate; decant; optional auger and sludge pump	Driver's side	Yes	5,200 cfm	Chassis / transfer case driven			Lighting Tool Boxes Racks	
26' reach from center	180	Full opening tailgate; decant; optional sludge pump	Front control box near front hose reel	Yes	4,500 cfm	Chassis / transfer case driven			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks	
8" diameter	320	Dumping, tilting debris body, optional sludge pump	Curbside	Yes		Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	
Optional fixed, extend- able, or tele- scopic boom	320	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes		Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	



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CORPORATION Hi-Vac Corporation	Aquatech Daylighter DL4	Chassis	Hydro Jetvac	4	67"	45 degrees	500	6 gpm 2,500 psi	16" hg 3,670 cfm	Cyclone with collection chamber
117 Industry Rd. Marietta, OH 45750 800-752-2400 • 740-374-2306 www.hi-vac.com	Aquatech Daylighter DL10	Chassis	Hydro Jetvac	10	67"	45 degrees	1,150	20 gpm 2,000 psi	18" hg 5,197 cfm	Cyclone with collection chamber
sales@hi-vac.com See Ad - Page 13	Aquatech Daylighter DL15	Chassis	Hydro Jetvac	15	67"	34 degrees	1,650	20 gpm 2,000 psi	18" hg 5,197 cfm	Cyclone with collection chamber
	X-Vac X-8	Chassis	Hydro	8	67"	45 degrees	570	20 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 5,250 cfm	Cyclone with final filter
	X-Vac X-13	Chassis	Hydro	13	67"	45 degrees	1,140	20 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 5,775 cfm	Cyclone with final filter
	X-Vac X-15	Chassis	Hydro	15	67"	34 degrees	1,650	20 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 5,775 cfm	Cyclone with final filter
Presvac Systems 4131 Morris Dr. Burlington, ON L7L 5L5	Presvac HydroX Mini	Chassis	Нудго	7	Full Diameter Full Opening		800	18 gpm 3,500 psi Adjustable Flow and Pressure	28" hg 2,650 cfm	Cyclone and inlet filter
800-387-7763 • 905-637-2353 f: 905-681-0411 www.presvac.com sales@presvac.com See Ad - Page 80	Presvac HydroX	Chassis	Нудго	15	78" Full Opening	90 degrees	1,000	18 gpm 3,500 psi Adjustable Flow and Pressure	28" hg 4,000 - 6,400 cfm	Two large cyclones and inlet filter
RIVAL HYDROVAC Rival Hydrovac Inc. Box 5 Major, SK SOL 2HO 844-467-4825 • 403-550-7997 www.rivalhydrovac.com tdell@rivalhydrovac.com See Ad - Page 69	Rival T7	Chassis	Hydro Air Option	7	54" Full Opening Rear Door Two Stage Hoist	40 degrees	800	10 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 2,650 cfm	Cyclone and cartridge
	Rival T10	Chassis	Hydro Air Option	10	54" Full Opening Rear Door Two Stage Hoist	40 degrees	1,200	10 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 3,850 cfm	Cyclone and cartridge

Boom Size (ft.)	Degree of Rotation	Offloading Type	Controls Location	Wireless Y/N	Vacuum (GFM/PSI)	Power Source	Com- pressed Air Flow	Compressed Air Pressure	Accessories Available	Other
19'	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	3,670 cfm / 7.8 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Nozzles & Tubes
19'	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	5,197 cfm / 8.8 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Nozzles & Tubes
23'	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	5,197 cfm / 8.8 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Nozzles & Tubes
Extends to 19' reach	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	5,250 cfm / 13.2 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Sludge pump, water heater, tank vibrator
Extends to 25' reach	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	5,775 cfm / 13.2 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Sludge pump, water heater, tank vibrator
Extends to 25' reach	360	Tilt	Cab, passenger side, remote	Yes	5,775 cfm / 13.2 psi	Chassis powerplant	200 cfm	200 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Sludge pump, water heater, tank vibrator
6" x 20'	340	45 degree dump and optional pressure off-load	Passenger side	Yes	185 / 150	Hydraulic	125 – 185	100 – 150	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Can be built to DOT/TC Code
8" x 25'	340	45 degree dump and optional pressure off-load	Passenger side	Yes	185 / 150	Hydraulic	125 – 185	100 – 150	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Can be built to DOT/TC Code
6" x 20'	342	Tilt and pressure off	Curbside	Yes	2,650 cfm	PTO / Hydraulics	200 cfm Optional	200 psi Optional	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	All Accessories are included Weights displayed on Wireless Remote Back Up Cameras Standard Retractable Railing Atop Truck
8" x 25'	342	Tilt and pressure off	Curbside	Yes	3,850 cfm	Transfer Case or Hydraulics	200 cfm Optional	200 psi Optional	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	All Accessories are included Weights displayed on Wireless Remote Back Up Cameras Standard Retractable Railing Atop Truck



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	Model Name	Style	Туре	Debris Body Capacity (cu. yards)	Debris Door (dimensions)	Debris Door (dump angle)	Water Tank Capacity (gal)	Standard Water Pump (gpm & psi)	Standard Blower (hg & cfm)	Filtration Type
Super Products Super Products LLC 130 Boxhorn Dr. Mukwonago, WI 53149	Mud Dog 1600 Vacuum Excavator	Chassis	Hydro, Air Option	16	Full Opening Rear	Ejector + 90 Tilt	2,000	18 gpm 3,000 psi	28" hg 5,800 cfm	Cyclone and cartridge
800-837-9711 • 262-784-7100 www.superproducts.com info@superproducts.com	Mud Dog 1200 Vacuum Excavator	Chassis	Hydro, Air Option	12	Full Opening Rear	Ejector + 90 Tilt	1,500	18 gpm 3,000 psi	28" hg 5,800 cfm	Cyclone and cartridge
	Mud Dog 700 Vacuum Excavator	Chassis	Hydro, Air Option	7	Full Opening Rear	50	600	11 gpm 3,000 psi	18" hg 3,100 cfm or 27" hg 3,700 cfm	Cyclone and cartridge
Transway Systems Inc. 314 Lake Ave. N Hamilton, ON L8E 3A2 800-263-4508 • 905-578-1000	Terra-Vex HV50	Chassis	Hydro & Air	12	Hydraulic Full Open Rear Door		1,000	10 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 5,000 cfm	Cyclone with washable poly filter
f: 905-561-9176 www.transwaysystems.com sales@transwaysystems.com	Terra-Vex HV64	Chassis	Hydro & Air	12	Hydraulic Full Open Rear Door		1,000	10 gpm 3,600 psi	27" hg 6,400 cfm	Cyclone with washable poly filter
TRUVAC TRUVAC	TRXX	Trailer	Hydro	2.48 or 3.96	3/4	50 degrees	200 or 400	5 gpm @ 3,000 psi	15" hg 1,000 cfm	5 micron final filter
1621 S Illinois St. Streator, IL 61364 815-672-3171 www.truvac.com	Paradigm	Chassis	Air & Hydro	3.34	3/4	50 degrees	300 Air only: 100	8 gpm 2,500 psi	15" hg 2,200 cfm	Dual cyclone and 5 micron polyester final filter
sales@truvac.com See Ad - Page 43	FLXX	Chassis	Hydro	10	3/4	50 degrees	800	10 gpm 3,000 psi	16" hg 3,200 cfm	Dual cyclone and 5 micron polyester final filter
	нхх	Chassis	Hydro	12 or 15	3/4	50 degrees	1,200	10 or 20 gpm 3,000 psi	18" hg/4,970 cfm 28" hg/5,200 cfm 28" hg/ 6,176 cfm	Single or dual cyclone and 5 micron polyester final filter
	АРХХ	Chassis	Hydro	12 or 14	3/4	50 degrees	1,200	10 gpm 3,000 psi	27" hg 5,250 cfm	Dual cyclone and 5 micron polyester final filter

Boom Size (ft.)	Degree of Rotation	Offloading Type	Controls Location	Wireless Y/N	Vacuum (CFM/PSI)	Power Source	Com- pressed Air Flow	Compressed Air Pressure	Accessories Available	Other
8" x 19 - 27'	330	Eject unloading	Dog House	Yes	28" hg 5,800 cfm	Truck engine PTO / transfer case	185 cfm	100 - 175 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes	Walk-in cabinet 700k BTU heater
8" x 19 - 27'	330	Eject unloading	Dog House	Yes	28" hg 5,800 cfm	Truck engine PTO / transfer case	185 cfm	100 - 175 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes	Walk-in cabinet 700k BTU heater
8" x 18'	270	Dump unloading	Cabinet	Yes	18" hg 3,100 cfm or 27" hg 3,700 cfm	Truck engine PTO / transfer case	185 cfm	100 - 175 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes	
8" x 26'	320	Telescopic hoist and optional pressure off	Curbside	Yes		Transfer case	180 cfm	150 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets Roll Up Doors	Full insulated enclosure for blower and water system, transfer case drive
8" x 26'	320	Telescopic hoist and optional pressure off	Curbside	Yes		Transfer case	180 cfm	150 psi	Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets Roll Up Doors	Full insulated enclosure for blower and water system, transfer case drive
4" diameter 16.25'	170	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes		Aux			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	
6" diameter 17'	195	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes	185 cfm/150 psi or 300 cfm/250 psi	Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	
6" diameter 22'	340	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes	185 cfm/150 psi	Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Air Excavation package, Hydraulic Tool Package
8" diameter 22'	320	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes	185 cfm/150 psi or 300 cfm/250 psi	Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Air Excavation package, Hydraulic Tool Package
8" diameter 24.5'	320	Dumping, tilting debris body	Curbside	Yes	185 cfm/150 psi or 300 cfm/250 psi	Chassis			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Air Excavation package, Hydraulic Tool Package

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VAC-CON www.vac-con.com Vac-Con, Inc. 969 Hall Park Rd.	Mudslinger MS800	Trailer	Hydro	4		55 degree dump angle	325	4 @ 4,000	16" hg 990 cfm or 1,190 cfm	Dry filter package
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 904-284-4200 www.vac-con.com info@vac-con.com	Mudslinger MST800	Chassis	Hydro	4		55 degree dump angle	325	4 @ 4,000	16" hg 990 cfm or 1,190 cfm	Dry filter package
	Mudslinger MXT	Chassis	Hydro	3-16		50 degree dump angle	800 - 1,300	11 @ 2,200	200" H20 8,000 cfm	Single stage separator
	X-Cavator CXT	Chassis	Hydro	9, 11 and 12	Flat-style rear door	50 degree dump angle	800 - 1,300	20 @ 4,000	200" H20 8,000 cfm	Dual cyclone
	X-Cavator EXT	Chassis	Hydro	12		50 degree dump angle	1,500	20 a 4,000	28" hg 6,176 cfm	Cyclone separator; 26" pleated cartridge final filter
Vactor Manufacturing 1621 S Illinois St. Streator, IL 61364 815-672-3171 www.vactor.com sales@vactor.com See Ad - Page 45	2100i	Chassis	Hydro	5-15	Hydraulically operated	50 degree dump angle	1,000 - 1,500	60 - 100 @ 2,000 - 3,000	18" hg 3,500 cfm	Centrifugal separators / micro strainer



Boom Size (ft.)	Degree of Rotation	Offloading Type	Controls Location	Wireless Y/N	Vacuum (CFM/PSI)	Power Source	Com- pressed Air Flow	Compressed Air Pressure	Accessories Available	Other
9' boom with 16' x 4" boom hose	270	Full open hydraulic dump door and hydraulic dump hoist	Passenger side	Yes	990 or 1,190	49, 74 or 114 hp Kubota diesel engine			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks	
9' boom with 16' x 4" boom hose	270	Full open hydraulic dump door and hydraulic dump hoist	Passenger side	Yes	990 or 1,190	49, 74 or 114 hp Kubota diesel engine			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks	
6' boom with 8" vacuum intake hose	270	Full open rear door	Passenger side	Yes		Hydrostatic Drive; Vac-Con 3-stage fan; PD blowers available			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks	
10' boom with 8" vacuum intake hose	270	Hydraulically-driven scissor lift	Passenger side - centrally located	Yes	5,775 cfm	Hydrostatic Drive; PD blowers or 3-stage fan			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	
7' boom with 26' reach	310 horizontally, +45/-22 vertically	Hydraulic scissor lift	Passenger side	Yes		Transfer case; PD Blower			Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	Operator enclosure, heat or AC climate controls
10' telescopic	180	Dump	In-cab / Front hose reel / Mid-ship	Yes	18 hg	Roots / PD Blower	3,500 cfm		Winterization Lighting Tool Boxes Racks Cabinets	

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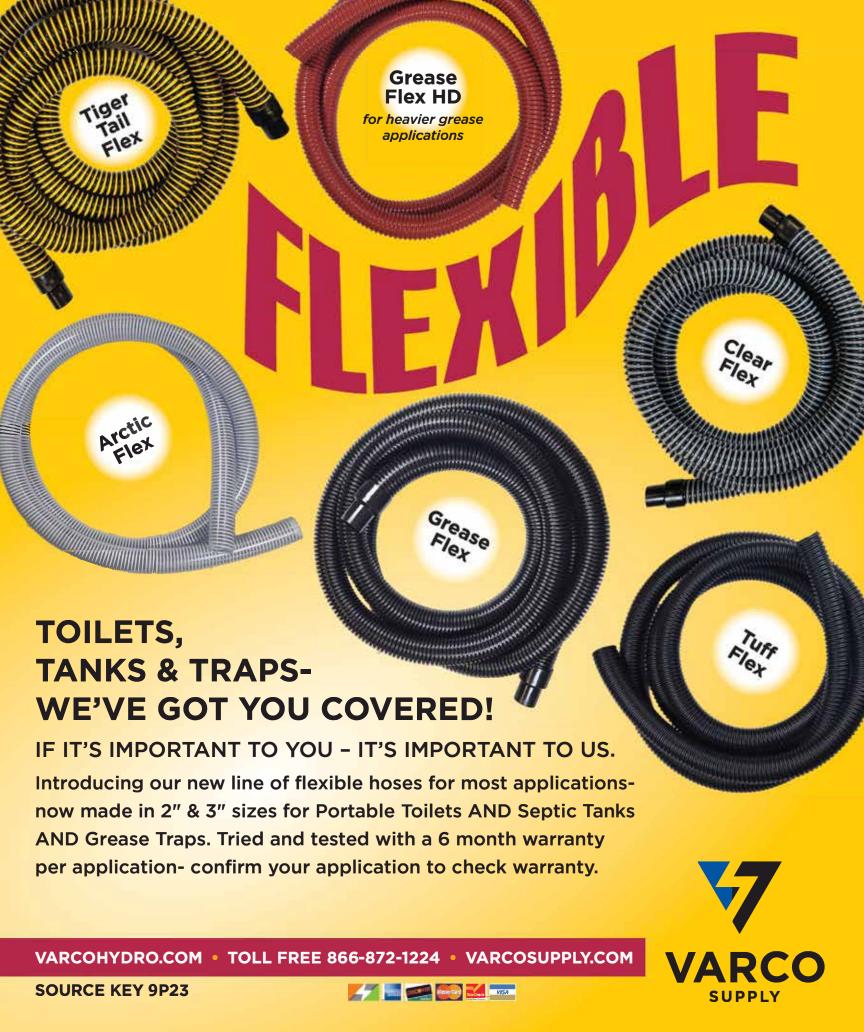
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You Know What They Say About Death and Taxes?

Start succession planning now to protect your assets and ensure heirs know the road ahead for your small business

By Joan Koehne

ven on Day 1 of a new business, it's important to start planning for the future.

"You need some sort of backup plan for 'just in case,' because 'just in case' doesn't wait for a convenient day to happen," says Devin Shanley, attorney for Peterson, Berk & Cross in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Shanley encourages business owners to create clear-cut plans describing what happens if they die or become incapacitated. These estate and succession plans should be in place years before they will likely be needed. By adequately planning before their death, owners ensure their family business will be preserved in the manner they want. Additionally, careful planning protects them and their company from unexpected, potentially large tax liabilities. Lastly, advanced planning ensures that a company can continue operations, even after an unexpected death.

Successful entrepreneurs need to remember that, like their homes and retirement accounts, their business is an asset

"They might think of it as a job or an extension of themselves," Shanley says. "They should consider how they want to pass along this asset — or break it apart after their death."

Trusts and wills

A good place to start is understanding your organization's size and structure. "Be aware of what sort of business you have," Shanley says.

How big is the company? How much is the owner involved? What is the ownership structure? Is the owner a sole proprietor, partner, member of an LLC, or stock owner in a corporation?

Once owners understand the key elements of their business, they can take the next steps. One of these steps is to ensure someone can act on their behalf and continue business operations if they die or become incapacitated. Most likely, business owners grant this authority as part of a revocable living trust, an estate planning tool that determines how

assets are handled after death. Compared to a will, a trust has several advantages. Trusts provide more depth than wills and are more fluid as circumstances change. Additionally, trusts are more private.

"Wills are public documents. If you want to announce to everyone in the world how your business is being broken down, then write a will," Shanley says.

Many trusts are effective immediately when signed and funded. These are often referred to as living trusts because they are in effect while the person who created the trust is alive, and the same trust continues to be effective after that person dies.

"A will, on the other hand, is a document of the dead," Shanley says.

"It is a document that only has power and relevance when the drafter of the document has died and a court of law verifies that it is, in fact, the last

will and testament of the drafter."

This doesn't mean all trusts will be in effect immediately or that trusts that would wait until death would go into effect quicker than a will. Both wills and trusts wait until death to become active, and therefore, someone will need to prove that the death has occurred.

"Generally speaking, using some form of trust mechanism is going to allow for more responsive authority transfer if you have a business that relies on a sole owner," Shanley says.

Additionally, there may be benefits to workflow in having the business in a trust versus a will. A trust can often transition

administration to a trustee quickly after the death of the previous trustee, usually the business owner. A will, on the other hand, will need to be verified by a court, which may take longer to complete.

Shanley offers two items to consider for business owners with a will.

"Make sure your personal representative knows where your will is in order to move as quickly as possible, and be mindful of who the personal representative is because that individual will have the authority to run your business," he says.

Take a moment to form that initial plan, and find an adviser that you trust. Inform them of your values and general desires, so that the adviser can ask questions and provide depth and sophistication.

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With a trust, business owners can select individuals as standby trustees, granting them the authority to finalize the company's sale or transfer. Using a trust to manage property helps to ensure the business hand-off goes smoothly.

"If the buyer is someone in the family, that's wonderful. If it's a key employee, then you have to start thinking about how to keep that key employee, especially in today's labor market," Shanley says.

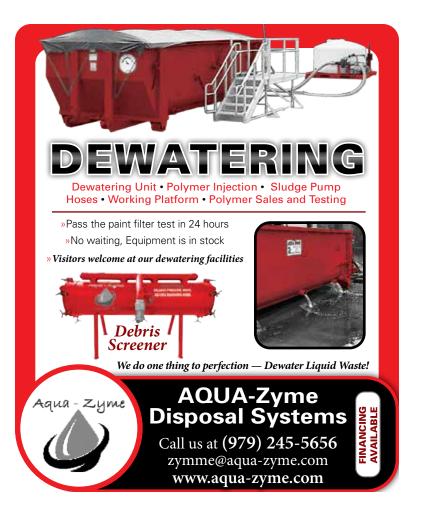
If the business will be sold to an employee, Shanley suggests drafting legal documents to lock in the employee and start transferring the business to him or her.

Family ties

Business owners often work their whole lives to build their companies and they want the organization to stay in the family. If this is the case, they should craft a succession plan for a smooth transition to the next owner in the family.

But what about heirs outside of the family business? Sibling squabbles over the family inheritance happen everywhere. These squabbles can multiply when a family business is part of the estate.

Business owners can preserve sibling harmony — or at the very least, minimize bad feelings — with fully developed estate and business succession plans. These plans outline two important outcomes. The first is how to pass business assets and leadership to the next family member in line in order to maintain continuous operations. The second is how to fairly distribute assets among the heirs who won't be part of the business moving forward.



The fair distribution of assets among the heirs can be accomplished in a number of ways. One relative might buy out another, or relatives not associated with the family business can be named beneficiaries of a life insurance policy.

"It depends on the goals of the business owner — what's important to them," Shanley says.

Owners might want as little family friction as possible, so their estate and succession plans need to be crafted for a harmonious outcome. Perhaps no one in the family wants to take over the business. Then the best strategy might be selling the whole business and dividing the proceeds equally among the heirs.

"That can be a very viable succession plan," Shanley says.

Expert advice

However, a small mom and pop business, where the owner does most of the work, probably isn't salable because the key employee is the owner. Still, the business owner's estate plan will reflect his or her wishes regarding the sale or distribution of equipment, facilities and other assets.

"Because you have so many options and so many goals, every estate and succession plan is its unique thing," Shanley says.

He recommends talking with an attorney instead of relying on legal advice from the internet to develop personalized strategies.

"You're going to want a knowledgeable adviser to help you through that process," he says.

People tend to think that they need a certain amount of money to benefit from talking to a lawyer about an estate plan, but Shanley disagrees. "Everyone should do that. But the more money you have, the more the need increases," he says.

A multi-million-dollar business has complex issues involving spouses, heirs and estate taxes. "You're going to need a sophisticated plan to reflect these sophisticated needs," Shanley says.

Estate tax and gift tax laws are complicated and subject to change, so expert advice is critical. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is a good example. Business owners who have close to \$5 million or more in assets should be aware of the potential for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to sunset in 2025. Enacted in 2017, the legislation allows a person to avoid paying federal estate tax on up to \$10 million in assets, adjusted for inflation and doubled to \$20 million if the person is married. If Congress doesn't act on this legislation before it expires at the end of 2025, the federal estate tax exemption reverts to \$5 million in total assets per person, adjusted for inflation.

Business owners who are at the \$5 million value for a taxable estate may want to take advantage of current tax laws to transition out of the business — or at least be aware of the estate tax exemption as 2025 approaches.

Shanley urges business owners to thoughtfully determine what they envision for the future of their business.

"Take a moment to form that initial plan, and find an adviser that you trust. Inform them of your values and general desires, so that the adviser can ask questions and provide depth and sophistication," he says. "What are your values, and how do you want people to benefit? You need to have the big picture drive the little picture."

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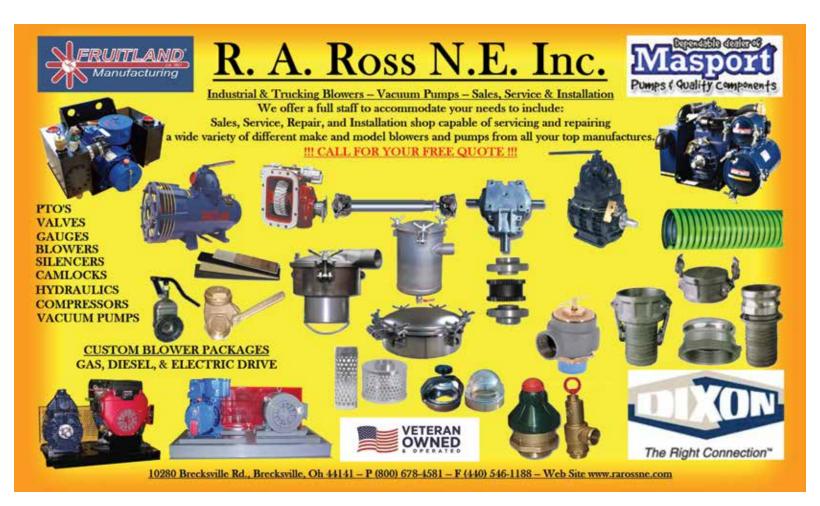














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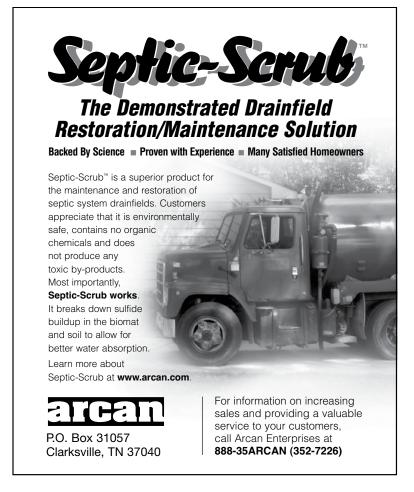


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"It's Not Your Grandparents' Septic System"

Iowa installer and pumper Rick Miene counts customer education as a critical part of his daily routine

Compiled by Betty Dageforde

In Snapshot, we talk to a member of a state, provincial or national trade association in the decentralized wastewater industry. This time we visit a member of the Iowa Onsite Waste Water Association

Name and title or job description: Rick Miene, owner
Business name and location: Miene Septic Service, Robins, Iowa
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Age: 51

Years in the industry: We just celebrated our 50th anniversary. My dad started the company, then I took over. So I've been in it my whole life. There are pictures of me on job sites with my Tonka Toys. But I received my first official paycheck in 1986.

Association involvement: We've been members of the Iowa Onsite Waste Water Association since 1999 when it started. I have been on the board of directors for eight years and have served as president.

Benefits of belonging to the association: We formed the association because we saw the importance of getting educated, meeting other people, seeing that they were struggling with the same things you were. We can bounce ideas off others who aren't in our neighborhood. We can collaborate and have a sense of community. We can network with instructors and other professionals, like precasters and suppliers. Having that network of individuals to reach out to is so important.

Biggest issue facing your association right now: We're trying to find ways to educate people without them feeling like they're not learning anything because they've heard it before. We're looking for new ideas and hitting on topics people are not talking about and doing a variety of things to keep people engaged. And we want to get people talking about problems because the association is there to help them. We've had some challenges working with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and their rule interpretations and I think the association is doing a good job in getting the government to listen to us, and keeping them from getting too powerful.

Our crew includes: My mother, Faith, has been here a long time and does so much — estimating, planning, scheduling, coordinating jobs with homeowners, doing the profit and loss work, answering phones. My son Cameron worked during the summers when he was in school but has since

moved on to do his own thing. My daughter Marissa is our "go-fer" person running errands and cleaning equipment, and is working towards getting her CDL. TThen we have Jordan Boley, excavation equipment operator, and 2023 WWETT Show national backhoe ROE-D-HOE champion; Kyle Nickvinda, alternative systems, pumping, soil analysis and time of transfer inspections; Chris Usher, pumping and time of transfer inspections; Kurt Vandersee, certified installer; Bob Ford, grading, tree mulching, certified installer and problem-solver on difficult sites; Kolby Morris, dump truck driver and do-everything guy wherever needed; Zach Knoll, dirt work for dozer and excavator; Chris Bodicker, paperwork for time of transfers, permits and locates.

Typical day on the job: I start at 6 a.m. on the phone, checking weather, planning what needs to go where. I might be working on scheduling, directing guys, checking on job sites, meeting clients and contractors. My good days are when I can go get in a piece of equipment and just enjoy myself. The day can end anywhere from 5 to 9 p.m. — but the phone is always on.

The job I'll never forget: Tight, difficult sites with a lot of topography are always challenging. In one case we had a narrow area between the road and a creek. Somehow we had to fit in the house, the driveway, get 100 feet

away from the well, and still get a septic system on it without falling into the creek. There was a 27-foot drop from the front of the house to the back. It was a crazy build and we had to really think outside the box.

My favorite piece of equipment: I like the skid loaders (Bobcat), the dozer (John Deere), and our miniexcavators (Link-Belt 145, John Deere 245, three Bobcats). It's nice to get big equipment, but I enjoy the smaller ones. It's amazing what you can do with those in tight areas.

Most challenging site
I've worked on: Our challenging sites are the ones where
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paperwork and contracts. For example, we worked at a nuclear power plant and that is just a whole different world. We joked that it was "nuclear time" because it would take forever to do anything. If you had an eight-day work schedule, you were going to get about two hours worth of work done after all the safety meetings and laying things out. So many things were overthought. It was problematic for getting things done in a timely manner. You learn to appreciate working for residentials.

Oops, I wish I could take this one back: The "oops" is when you get in a hurry. I remember once backing into the shop when I was in a hurry. I backed right smack dab into a new truck and just smashed the whole front end. You need to take the time to check out your surroundings before you cause thousands of dollars of damage.

The craziest question I've been asked by a customer: Sometimes people say things like, "I've always heard that I don't have to pump my septic tank. My grandparents and my dad never had to." But after you get done talking to them you find out it was a straight pipe to the ditch. We tell them, "Your septic system is not your grandparents' septic system. You need to take care of it like you do your car." Part of our job is educating people, so we spend a lot of time telling customers what they should and should not be doing.

If I could change one industry regulation, it would be: We're currently having an interpretation dispute with the DNR about what we feel should be done with treated effluent. There's been a rule change that we cannot put that water back into the soil. The change I'd like to see is that they get educated and listen to people who are in the know so we don't have open water becoming stagnant. Iowa is working on that and we're trying to get some extra backing from NOWRA (National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association). I fully believe that I am a professional in this industry and I feel very passionate about clean water and being able to utilize our resources the best we can, whether it's water or wastewater. There are so many ways we can do that. Dumping septage to a wastewater treatment plant is not always the best way.

Best piece of small business advice I've heard: This may be self-discovered, but I believe that in a small business you need four key things: a creative accountant, a wise attorney, a good banker and a good insurance agent.

If I wasn't working in the wastewater industry, I would: I like helping people, solving problems, coming up with ideas on these jobs. So I'd probably look at consulting in the wastewater industry and find ways to join the regulatory and private people who are trying to make businesses work to solve homeowner issues.

Crystal ball time – This is my outlook for the wastewater industry: I see a change coming. As you get out to the east and west coasts where it's very populated with tight lots, a lot of the denitrification and phosphorus removal technologies, as well as carbon footprints, are starting to become something. I think we'll see more stringent regulations. People aren't really set up for that in Iowa because we have room. But even in Cedar Rapids, we do have a lot of these cookie-cutter lots that we are having to get very creative putting septic systems in. I think we have to start paying attention to those regulations and the confinements of what we have. It almost seems like we, as contractors, might have to start getting science degrees. Even farmers are getting into the science of a lot of this with nitrates, nitrogen, ammonia and what you need to do to create sustainable soils without affecting the water table.

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Nevadans Balk at Forced Municipal Sewer Hookups

By David Steinkraus

nsite system owners in Nevada's Las Vegas Valley were irked by a bill in the state legislature that would have required them to connect to a municipal treatment system. A few hundred of them showed up at a public meeting and told the local water authority of their displeasure.

As introduced, the bill would have required property owners to switch from onsite to municipal treatment by 2054 if a property was within 400 feet of a municipal system. It also would have required a review of permits every five years to determine whether a property was within the 400-foot limit, and would have revoked the onsite system permit if the owners didn't connect.

The other quirk in the bill was that it would have applied only to a county of more than 700,000 people. In Nevada there's only one of those: Clark County, which includes Las Vegas.

All of this was intended as a way to increase the state's share of Colorado River water, reported the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. For every gallon of water treated and returned to Lake Mead, the main water source for Las Vegas, the municipal water system receives a credit of one extra gallon. Those credits enabled Nevada to push its withdrawals beyond the state's 300,000-acre-foot allocation of river water. Water treated in onsite systems never flows to the lake.

The complaints were heard. As sent to the governor, the bill allows the Southern Nevada Health District to create a voluntary program that will pay the cost for a property owner to abandon an onsite system and connect to municipal sewer. New septic systems will be prohibited, Colby Pellegrino, deputy general manager of resources for the Southern Nevada Water Authority, told KLAS-TV News.

The bill, now signed into law, takes another step: It gives the water authority power to cap household water use at one-half acre-foot of water per year if the federal government reduces the state's Colorado River allocation below 270,000 acre-feet. The cap equals about 163,000 gallons and would affect about 115,000 homes, reported the *Review-Journal*, but the average home in the valley uses 130,000 to 132,000 gallons.

A winter snowpack at 160% of normal in the Upper Colorado Basin removed some pressure for water conservation, but it will fill Lake Mead to only 26% of capacity, KLAS reported.

Massachusetts

Officials in the town of Dartmouth are upset over being excluded from a state committee reviewing possible new onsite regulations. The Dartmouth Select Board was deeply troubled about the exclusion, reported *The New Bedford Light*.

The Department of Environmental Protection is discussing new rules for nitrogen reduction that would require many property owners along the Atlantic

shore to upgrade their onsite systems. As proposed regulations stand, people in designated nitrogen-sensitive areas would be required to upgrade to nitrogen-reducing systems within five years after regulations are finalized, and they would have to use the best available technology. Another option would allow towns to apply for watershed management permits, which would extend the deadline for system upgrades to 20 years.

The state committee is comprised of engineers, environmental advocates, real estate professionals, regulators and government officials. Its job is to revise the proposed regulations in light of the hundreds of public comments received. People objected primarily to the cost that homeowners and taxpayers could face if the rules are implemented as proposed.

Communities near Dartmouth are represented on the committee, but not Dartmouth, said the newspaper. "It's a very purposeful selection of individuals, because if you select the right people you get a certain outcome," said Chris Michaud, Dartmouth's health director and a critic of the proposed regulations.

Gary Moran, DEP deputy commissioner for operations, said the agency is considering applying regulations only to areas ready to be designated as nitrogen-sensitive, which would mean only watersheds on Cape Cod. DEP may also extend the deadline for compliance, grandfather in more systems and streamline the watershed permit process.

Kansas

Commissioners in Reno County held a meeting about the county's onsite code and eventually ordered the Health Department director to come back with answers to their questions.

"We've created a system that has become so expensive that many of our consumers and our sellers, when they get ready to sell, don't have \$20,000 just to have a system [upgraded]," real estate agent Marsha McConnell told commissioners, according to *The Hutchinson News*.

Josh Barkley, of Barkley Plumbing, said the county is known as a difficult place for onsite installations. He and other people told commissioners that contractors cannot use newer technologies because they are not allowed by the county, and he said there are too many requirements for specific soil tests and documents.

Commissioners were frustrated by a lack of specific answers from representatives of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment who attended, and commissioners discussed reducing their code to the one used by the state, which is half the size of the county's code.

South Carolina

Greenville County officials are talking about how to implement a planning

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goal of restricting the use of onsite systems. Implementation would also include limiting growth in rural areas that sewer lines don't yet reach, reported *The Post and Courier* of Charleston. A number of housing developments using onsite systems have been approved in rural areas of the county.

Ennis Fant, who chairs the county council's planning and development committee, said the county wants to avoid haphazard development and encourage it in areas where sewer system growth is planned.

County staff offered some options for restricting the use of onsite systems: limiting septic use to subdivisions with six or fewer houses, banning septic systems within 100 feet of a body of water, and requiring 3-acre lots for subdivisions considering septic use.

Greenville County has a population of about 548,000 and by 2040 is expected to add 222,000 new residents.

Ohio

Stark County wants to accelerate septic tank upgrades using \$450,000 in money from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act. The county Health Department receives about \$150,000 annually from the state, but with only those payments it would take about three years to complete all projects on the waiting list, reported *The Repository* of Canton, Ohio.

"Stark County has the most septic systems in the state of Ohio," said Todd Paulus, a unit manager at the Stark County Health Department. "We're estimated at around 43,000 septic systems."

Depending on the complexity of the jobs, the department estimates between 24 and 32 systems could be replaced with the money.

Oregon

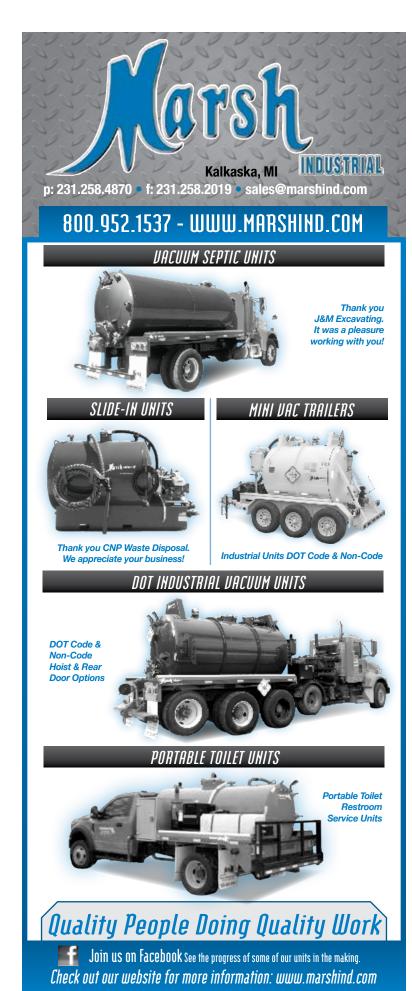
Homeowners with onsite systems damaged by wildfire in Lincoln County may be eligible for financial assistance for repairs through a program run by the county and Oregon State University Extension Service. The program had previously been available to wildfire survivors in Otis, but it will now be open to low- and middle-income homeowners across the county. A one-person household will qualify with an income less than \$38,640. A household of four cannot have a combined income of more than \$79,500. Applications for the program can be found at https://beav.es/3K8.

Texas

Residents of the Lampasas River watershed may receive up to \$8,000 for repair or replacement of failing septic systems. This is the second set of federal funds for dealing with ailing onsite systems in the watershed, and it will fix about 20 systems. The first set of federal funds replaced about 20 systems. The watershed includes parts of Mills, Hamilton, Lampasas, Coryell, Burnet, Bell and Williamson counties, according to *AgriLife Today*, a publication of Texas A&M University, which is part of the Lampasas River Watershed Partnership. More information about the grant program is at www.lampasasriver.org/ossf.

Massachusetts

Dukes County commissioners voted to spend \$1.4 million so homeowners in all seven towns in the county could install nitrogen-reducing onsite systems. The money will reimburse, or help cover, the cost for properties that cannot connect to a municipal sewer system. Money will come from the American Rescue Plan Act. Each town will seek property owners interested in participating, reported the *Vineyard Gazette* of Edgartown.



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Infiltrator Water Technologies announced the retirement of Roy Moore and the appointment of Craig Taylor to the role of executive vice president. Moore joined Infiltrator

in 1987 and served as CEO from 2005 until Advanced Drainage Systems acquired the company in 2019 and continued his leadership role at Infiltrator until his retirement. Taylor joined Infiltrator in February 2020 as vice president of finance. Before joining Infiltrator, he served in a variety of roles with Stanley Black and Decker from 2003 until 2019, most recently as vice president of finance.



Bjorn Haldorsen promoted to SJE chief executive officer

Bjorn Haldorsen has been promoted to chief executive officer at SJE. He joined SJE in 2022 as president of the Engineered Division. Current CEO, Mike Suter will transition to SJE's board of directors. Prior to joining SJE, Haldorsen was president of North America at Colson

Group, leading its North American business operations. He spent 18 years at Flowserve Corp. and served in various regional and global leadership roles, most recently vice president and general manager for Industrial Pump Operations.



Al Hilde Jr.

Founder of Satellite Industries, Al Hilde Jr., Passes Away

Al Hilde Jr., a pioneer in the portable sanitation industry as the founder of Satellite Industries, passed away July 28, at his home in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. He was 90.

Following a stint in the U.S. Army, Hilde started Satellite Industries in Plymouth, Minnesota, in 1958 offering

service with a handful of wooden restrooms. He grew the business to become a worldwide supplier of portable restrooms, restroom trailers, trucks and other accessories.

Hilde played an important role in starting and supporting the Portable Sanitation Association and received many business accolades during his career. Among them was the Minnesota Governor's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Community Economic Development and TwinWest Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneur of the Year.

Through his sports activities and time serving in the military, Hilde noted there were never adequate sanitation options for people working or playing in the outdoors. His goal from the start was to offer proper sanitation to those taking part in outdoor activities, he explained in an interview with the Minnesota Historical Society.

"When playing outdoors there were no restrooms. The only real negative about being outdoors was the lack of sanitation," he said in the historical society interview. "From the beginning, I was driven to put dignity into the business. We always used the term 'portable restrooms' and looked at our business in terms of meeting specific business needs of society."

According to the portable sanitation history book, PSAI Through the Decades, Hilde named his company Satellite because space travel was top of mind as the U.S. entered the space race and sought to put a man on the moon.

In addition to pioneering industry manufacturing, Hilde wanted to help bring greater professionalism to the restroom industry. In 1971, he was elected to the first board of directors of the Portable Sanitation Association, which recently celebrated its 50th anniversary and is now called the Portable Sanitation Association International.

In 1972, Hilde started producing the lighter and more durable polyethylene restroom units that dominate the industry today. Satellite eventually sold the restroom service side of the business and concentrated on expanding to new manufacturing and distribution locations and offering the company's products worldwide.

He owned other companies as well, including Satellite Shelters, which manufactures mobile offices and modular buildings. He also started Jackson Hole Aviation and purchased Western Aircraft, which came from Hilde's love of flying as he logged more than 10,000 hours as a pilot.

Hilde also served as the mayor of Plymouth for five terms, and was president of the Hennepin County League of Municipalities, president of the Minnesota Executives Organization, director of the Minnesota Orchestra, as well as many other civic and philanthropic pursuits. He and his wife, Jayne, made a major contribution to establish the Hilde Performing Arts Center in Plymouth.

According to a remembrance released by Satellite, "Al's passion for improving global health and continuous innovation is an inspiration to us to this day ... He believed that portable toilet service would be an essential service for many to provide dignity, convenience, privacy and moreover to protect public health and the environment."

Hilde's son, Todd Hilde, Satellite's owner and chief executive officer, said of his father, "My dad's greatest gift to me was teaching me to love Satellite. Satellite was always the center of our family during our upbringing. We talked about Satellite over dinner each night and it was always a big focus of our family."

Hilde is survived by his wife, three sons, grandchildren and great grandchildren. A celebration of life will be held Aug. 15 at Wayzata Community Church in Wayzata, Minnesota.



Lauren Nickel

program recipients The Sump and Sewage Pump Manufacturers Association announced that Lauren Nickel and Caden Fickes have

SSPMA names 2023 scholarship

The Sump and Sewage Pump Manufacturers Association announced that Lauren Nickel and Caden Fickes have been selected as the recipients of the 2023 SSPMA scholarship program. Nickel and Fickes will receive \$2,500 scholarships. Nickel attends Western Kentucky University working toward a degree in computer science with a concentration in scientific/systemic application. Fickes attends Bowling Green State University working toward a degree in Business Administration. The scholarship program is open to students working toward an associate, bachelor's, master's degree or appropriate certification/trade associated with wastewater management. Applicants for 2024 may apply online at www.sspma.org beginning Feb. 1, 2024.



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Wastequip opens new WRX facility in Southern California

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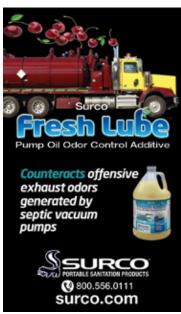
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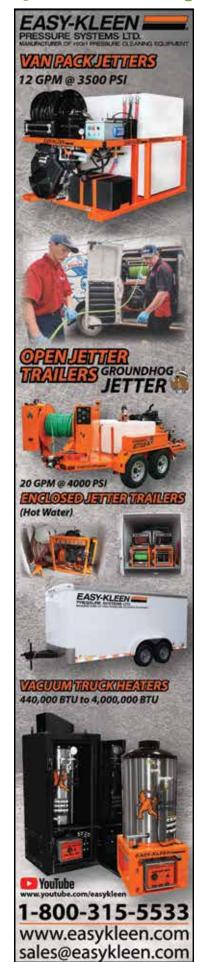














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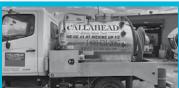
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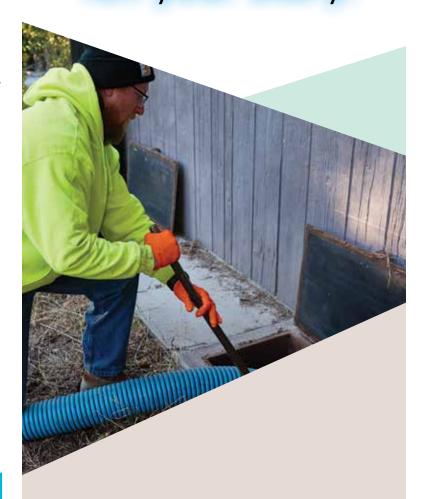


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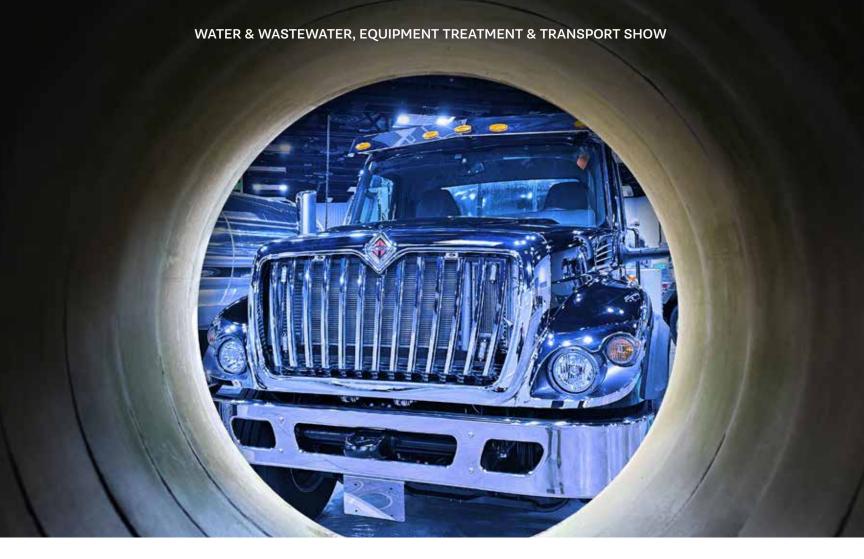
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