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IMPORTANT !

The toll-free phone number is no longer in service.
Please call 306-361-0919 to reach the
Saskatchewan Association of Rural Water Pipelines.

SPRING NEWSLETTER TO MEMBERS and NON-MEMBERS

It is that time of year to inform all of our members and potential members of changes, updates and membership requests for 2019.

SARWP IS HERE FOR YOU !!

EACH YEAR WE HOLD OUR ANNUAL SEMINAR and EACH YEAR WE BELIEVE IT PROVIDES VALUABLE INFORMATION TO EACH OF YOU THAT ATTEND OUR SEMINAR WHETHER YOU ARE A BOARD MEMBER OR AN OPERATOR. HERE ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM PAST SEMINARS:

- Water Security Agency Updates
- Sask 1st Call – line locates
- SaskWater updates
- Building Canada Fund grant information
- Occupational Health & Safety Updates
- Dundurn Rural Water – Automated Meter Read System
- Melfort Rural Pipeline Association – Maintenance Surprises & Remote Monitoring
- Coteau Hills Rural Pipeline Association – Point of Entry/ Point of Use System
- Weyburn Utility Board – Water Advisories with the City of Weyburn
- SHL Rural Pipeline Association – History and Operations of the Utility
- Sask Valley Rural Water Utility – History and Operations of the Utility
- Alvin Tollifson – from a Contractor’s point of view
- Buffalo Pond Treatment Plant
- Saskatchewan Workers’ Compensation Board
- Operator’s Certification Board
- Husky Oil Spill at Prince Albert
- And many great wonderful key-note speakers

We are now starting to prepare for the December 2019 Annual Seminar and we WANT YOU THERE ! Please read the enclosed information and please plan to attend our annual seminar to be held Tuesday, December 3 and Wednesday, December 4, 2019.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

I would like an email address for your Utility/Co-op/Association. This is a much more economical way for the Association to communicate with you. This will save the Association a lot of printing and postage costs.

SASK 1ST CALL

IMPORTANT !! - YOUR UTILITY BOARD MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF SARWP IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SASK 1ST CALL/SARWP AGREEMENT.

The Association has **joined Sask 1st Call** on behalf of all of the Utility Boards in the province. The Association paid the One-time fee for joining Sask First Call. Once the individual Utility Boards are a member, each notification (ticket/locate request) your Utility receives is currently **\$3.30 per notification** and reviewed on an annual basis by Sask 1st Call.

By having the Utility Board's under the Association, you save the onetime fee which is based on the # of kilometers your Utility would cover.

The Subscriber Agreement that is signed by the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Water Pipelines is for your information **only** and can be viewed and/or downloaded from our web-site (sarwp.ca). The Appendix A which your Utility will have to fill out and return to Sask 1st Call is now available on our web-site. Appendixes B and C are for your information only and D is required if/when you are making any changes to the original information on Appendix A that you are submitting to Sask 1st Call. As stated, you will fill out Appendix A **and** the Appointment of Agent and forward to Sask 1st Call. You will then be required to provide your individual mapping data as described in the Database Correspondent Quick Reference Guide (also available on our web-site) and a copy of your Certificate of Insurance as indicated in the subscriber agreement in Section 5.5 (The Certificate of Insurance can be provided from your Insurance Agency).

If you require any assistance from Sask 1st Call – please contact Erin Rodger, Manager, Sask 1st Call at: ERodger@sask1stcall.com or call her at: (306) 777-9507 or visit www.sask1stcall.com.

****Note:** Separate of Sask 1st Call - You will also have to fill in the Waiver and Indemnification Form and **return to SARWP** if you will be joining Sask 1st Call.

****Note:** If you do not have access to the Internet, please email or call me and I can mail copies to your organization.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Annual General Meeting of the Saskatchewan Association Rural Water Pipelines will be held Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at our Annual Seminar. More information will follow at a later date.

Operator Certification Training

As you are aware, in Saskatchewan, all owners of water distribution systems (pipelines) must ensure that the operation, maintenance and repair of their system is under the direction of a certified operator if their pipeline is to be licenced to operate by Water Security Agency, Environmental Project Officer. This became mandatory July 15, 2005. If you are interested in having your operator trained but not sure of what level of training your operator requires, your local Ministry of Environment office can help you determine your operator training requirements.

2019 Annual Seminar

Note: A listing of the December 2018 sponsors is on the web-site.

The Board has now finalized the venue for our 2019 Seminar. The Seminar will again be held at the Park Town Hotel – downtown Saskatoon. This seems to be everyone's favorite venue !

This year, our Annual Seminar has been scheduled for:

**Tuesday, December 3, 2019 and
Wednesday, December 4, 2019.**

So please mark your calendars !

IMPORTANT: Please note that the CEU Training will take place all day Tuesday (from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

We will continue with the Wine and Cheese Registration on Tuesday evening. Our Auction (both Silent and Live) will continue in the same manner as in the past.

The seminar will be held all day Wednesday. We will be having our first planning meeting for 2019 soon. Last year was very successful with the calibration of the equipment used for sampling through ClearTech. We will be offering this again at the 2019 seminar.

Invoice for SARWP Membership

We have attached an invoice for your SARWP membership fees for 2019. (Also available on the web-site) Being a member has many benefits, some of which include reduced registration fees at seminars, bulk ordering of test equipment, up-to-date information on Water Security Agency (Ministry of Environment) regulations that became mandatory July 15, 2005.

You will note that we are asking for an email contact address. This is our preferred method of contact with Utility Boards as it will save a lot in printing and postage.

We are again asking all Utility Boards if their contact information can be added to our web-site. **Please check yes or no on the invoice.**

Please send in your membership payment for 2019 as soon as possible. We are asking for more information on the invoice, but please note that it is optional and not a requirement to fill it out.

Membership Advertising

If your Utility Board would like to send out a notice of items for sale or any other topic that you feel you would like other Utility Boards to know about, please e-mail SARWP and your notice or ad will be added to a future newsletter.

Sincerely,

SASKATCHEWAN ASSOCIATION OF RURAL WATER PIPELINES, INC.

Rosalind Arndt
On behalf of SARWP

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