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TO: Contractors & Interested Parties

FROM: On-Site Systems Division

DATE: September 2, 2025

RE: Full In-Person Sand Mound Installer Certification Training Course

Thursday, October 9th 2025

This announcement concerns the certification course to install Sand Mound Sewage Disposal Systems. This training is required to be authorized to install Sand Mound systems in Maryland and is for On-Site Wastewater Professionals who have never held this certification, or have had their previous certification expired.

The course gives participants knowledge of relevant regulations, best practices, and technical specifications essential for the construction and maintenance of Sand Mound Sewage Disposal Systems. Installing Sand Mound systems without this certification is prohibited. Any interested parties or contractors, especially those new to this type of construction and looking to broaden their service offerings, are encouraged to attend this course. The course is a full-day classroom training, in-person at MDE headquarters in Baltimore. Registration, schedule, and curriculum details are provided below. This course has limited space, and will fill-up quickly. Please REGISTER HERE as soon as possible.

<u>COMAR 26.04.02.05</u> requires installers of Sand Mound Systems to be certified by MDE. This is a separate certification from the At-Grade System Installer Certification or the BAT Installer Certification.

Reminder: Effective December 31, 2022, any individual providing onsite wastewater services in Maryland must be registered with the Board of Onsite Wastewater Professionals. Registration must be renewed every 2 years. Click here for more information on how to apply, and review the list of registered individuals.

cc: MDE Regional Consultants

Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals

SAND MOUND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INSTALLER CERTIFICATION COURSE

Through the Wastewater Permits Program, the On-Site Systems Division of the Maryland Department of the Environment will offer a training course on **Thursday**, **October 9**, **2025**, for contractors interested in certification to install Sand Mound Sewage Disposal Systems in Maryland.

Instructors: Steven Krieg, LEHS, Regional Consultant

Matt Cumers, LEHS, On-Site Systems Division Chief

TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- Distribution of handouts, welcome, and introductions 9:00-9:15 am
- Required equipment and materials 9:15-10:00 am
- Break 10:00-10:15 am
- Interpretation of design plans 10:15-11:30 am
- Lunch (ON YOUR OWN) 11:30 am-12:30 pm
- Proper construction techniques Part I 12:30-1:45 pm
- Break 1:45-2:00 pm
- Proper construction techniques Part II 2:00-3:15 pm
- Break 3:15-3:30 pm
- Certification examination 3:30-5:00 pm

DATE & TIME: Thursday, October 9^{th,} 2025 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Maryland Department of the Environment

Montgomery Park Business Center

1800 Washington Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21230

1st Floor Conference Rooms

Registration must be received by the close of business on Thursday, October 2nd OR when 70 people have registered. Please register ASAP as this course is expected to fill quickly. Click here to register.