



The Certified Environmental Professional

The Newsletter of the Academy of Board Certified Environmental Professionals

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President's Message

Just a few months into my term and the BOT and the Bower management team have been super busy! Here are some things we have been working on:

- ◆ Each BOT member is reaching out to our Applicants who have paid the initial application fee but haven't made additional progress on their CEP Application.
- ◆ The CRB Manual is being updated.
- ◆ The **Website and CEP-Express Task Force** is formulating a plan to help make our records, application process, and member portals more user friendly and functional.
- ◆ A Task Force is reviewing and updating the essay questions as needed.

If you want to join either Task Force, reach out to me at liz.johnson@ocfl.net!

Here are some updates from Bower Management:

CEP Applications:

- ◆ 12 people started the application process
- ◆ CEP - 1 approved / 0 denied; CEP by Eminence - 0 approved / 1 denied
- ◆ 1 new initial payment received for someone who applied in March

CEP-IT Applications:

- ◆ 4 people started applications
- ◆ 4 applications approved / 0 applications denied
- ◆ Mentor Program – ongoing Mentor requests sent to Bob Michaels and Jim Yawn

As of today, **269** members are in good standing

- ◆ 187 CEP s
- ◆ 7 CEPs by Eminence
- ◆ 50 CEP-ITs (up 4 from last month)
- ◆ 25 Emeritus CEP Members (up 1 from last month)

Here are some upcoming events where ABCEP will be present!

- ◆ September 2017 Tallahassee FAEP
- ◆ 2018 NAEP (Tacoma Wa.)

Until Next Time!

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NEWSLETTER TOPICS

The CEP community would love to hear about the cutting edge and innovative ideas being implemented across the country. We also want to hear about issues and challenges that you have overcome regarding the changing regulatory environment.

We have chosen to highlight an area of practice or interest to CEPs in each newsletter; but articles on any topic are welcome at any time.

Psssst...you don't have to be a CEP or CEP-IT to submit an article - we welcome input from the entire community!

Pass this and future issues along to your colleagues - you never know who may have an interest.

If you have an idea for a new topic of upcoming article, please let me know.

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AUGUST

Air Quality/Greenhouse Gases
(due August 18, 2017)

SEPTEMBER

Ecosystem Restoration
(due September 22, 2017)

OCTOBER

Inland Lakes and Rivers
(due October 20, 2017)

NOVEMBER

Remediation
(due November 17, 2017)

DECEMBER

CEPs in the Construction Sector
(due December 15, 2017)

**KEEP STRONG
AND
MAINTAIN ON**



**Log on to
CEP-EXPRESS
today and
take credit
for all your
hard work!**

CALL FOR ARTICLES on Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases

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The August edition of *The Certified Environmental Professional* will showcase two topics: AIR QUALITY AND GREENHOUSE GASES.

We welcome a variety of perspectives on these topics from regulatory reform to best practices and innovation.

**Deadline for submission is August 18, 2017, to
scannonmackey@burnsmcd.com**

Articles should be submitted in Word, with all graphics/photos provided in either tif or jpg formats. Do not send PDFs. All exhibits/figures/photos must have sources documented and all permissions to use obtained by the author of the article prior to publication.

For questions, please contact Shari Cannon-Mackey, CEP, ENV, SP, Editor
at 512-872-7132 or by email to scannonmackey@burnsmcd.com

ABCEP Mentoring 101

ABCEP has a mentoring rate of 100%! Mentors provide a point of contact for CEP and CEP-IT applicants during their application process. And it is no small feat to match-up mentors with mentees. So how does a mentee get assigned to a mentor? The Mentoring Committee follows the following process to assign and track mentors and mentees:



Role of the Mentor:

- ▶ **Commit** at least one year to the mentoring program
- ▶ **Commit** at least one hour of support/interaction with the mentee per month (via email, phone, or face-to-face)
- ▶ **Inspire, encourage, and support** the mentee
- ▶ **Contribute** to the mentee's professional development

For additional information on the Mentoring Program or to sign-up to be a mentor, please reach out to Andrea Bower at office@abcep.org or Bob Michaels at ram@ramtrac.com

CEPs in Action



CENTRAL FLORIDA - Several Orange County employees ride their bicycles to work every day, including ABCEP Board Member Tina McIntyre (second from left) and ABCEP President, Liz Johnson (second from right).



FORT LAUDERDALE - CEPs Liz Johnson, Bill Eggers, and Jim Yawn hosted a table at the 31st Annual Permitting Summer School in Fort Lauderdale in July 2017!

A lot of interest and conversations were held in regards to the benefits of being a CEP!

Next event: Tallahassee at the FAEP Conference in September 2017! Hope to see you there!

NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR 2018

Nominate an Emerging **Environmental Professional**



Know an Environmental Professional who has made a valuable contribution to the profession?

Someone who should be recognized for their leadership, professional involvement and commitment to the environmental profession?



Nominate them today for this prestigious award!

Email office@abcep.org
or visit

www.abcep.org/blogs/awards

Candidates must:

- Not be older than 35 years old.
- Possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited university in an applicable field.
- Be a full-time environmental professional.
- Have a minimum of 5-years professional experience in a position of responsible charge.



NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR 2018

NOMINATE AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL



Dr. Richard J. Kramer, CEP Memorial Award for Environmental Excellence



NATIONALLY RECOGNIZE EXTRAORDINARY ACHIEVEMENTS, LEADERSHIP, AND SPIRIT OF A CERTIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL

Dr. Kramer's involvement in ABCEP spanned more than two decades. In 1982, he was the 31st person to earn the CEP designation. He served on the Academy's Certification Review Board from 1985 to 1999, when he resigned to become the first President of the Academy. Dick began his career in the environmental profession in 1972. For many years he was head of the environmental planning and NEPA office for the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base in California.

The ABCEP Trustees are responsible for selecting the winner of the award. More than one award may be given each year. The award was presented for the first time in 2004, to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the creation of the Certified Environmental Professional designation by the National Association of Environmental Professionals (NAEP) and the 5th Anniversary of the creation of the ABCEP, which was created in 1999 to oversee the CEP program.

**All ABCEP Members are eligible for the Award
& must be nominated by an active ABCEP Member.**

Nomination Deadline: February of each year

SEND NOMINATIONS TO OFFICE@ABCEP.ORG OR VISIT WWW.ABCEP.ORG/BLOGS/AWARDS



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The ABCEP Newsletter is published monthly and is intended to be a:

- ◆ Communication vehicle for the Board of Trustees and ABCEP Committees to inform and engage with CEPs and CEP-ITs on current activities within ABCEP and its future direction.
- ◆ Forum to report on current and emerging environmental issues, regulation and policy changes, and professional trends.
- ◆ Forum to provide professional guidance and advice to expand the professional growth and knowledge of members.
- ◆ Means for members to communicate with one another on current accomplishments, interesting projects, or lessons learned on the job with new approaches and successful problem solving solutions.
- ◆ Platform to acknowledge, highlight, and welcome active CEPs and CEP-ITs.

All members are encouraged to be active in their profession and affiliated professional organization.

If you have an article or a topic of interest that you would like presented in *The Certified Environmental Professional* newsletter please submit your completed article or topic request to Shari Cannon-Mackey, CEP ENV SP, at scannonmackey@burnsmcd.com; or to Andrea Bower at office@abcep.org.

Thank you,

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What are CEPs and CEP-ITs doing in your area?
Let us know - no event is too small nor too big!
Send your photos and descriptions to
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