



Distilled biosolids and residuals news from New England and Eastern Canada

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



EPA Hosts National Biosolids Stakeholder Meeting

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s biosolids program hosted a 3-day virtual meeting for stakeholders nationwide, November 2nd through the 4th. The North East Biosolids & Residuals Association (NEBRA), along with the other regional biosolids associations, were included with state "co-regulators" and select utilities. This year's meeting even included Canadian regulators for a total of about 240 registered attendees. There were federal, state, and local perspectives represented with lots of opportunity to interact/network.

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Canada Leads the Way in Beneficial Use of SSI Ash

NEBRA Member Marc Hébert, a trainer and consultant from Quebec and former biosolids coordinator for the province, is an advocate for beneficial reuse of biosolids. He is probably one of the most knowledgeable people when it comes to the phosphorus content of sewage sludge incinerator (SSI) ash and its value as a soil amendment.

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Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal:

What's In It For Water And What Are The States Planning?

At long last, on November 5th, the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (H.R. 3684), and it was signed by President Biden on November 15th. The deal will fund almost \$1.2 trillion in all sorts of infrastructure investments. Even with final funding amount down considerably from original proposals, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal (BID) as it is known, is still an historic investment by the federal government.

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UConn Researchers Tour GLSD in Quest to Optimize AD

University of Connecticut (UConn) researchers took a tour of the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (GLSD) in North Andover, Massachusetts, on November 5th to see operating anaerobic digesters up close and learn more about operations and maintenance issues. The tour was organized by NEBRA, which is assisting UConn researchers working to improve anaerobic digestion operations and optimize biogas production at facilities doing co-digestion with food waste.

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PFAS Updates from the U.S., Washington State and Canada

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced that it is convening its Science Advisory Board (SAB) charged with "Analyses to Support EPA's National Primary Drinking Water Rulemaking for PFAS" starting December 16th with a series of four 5-hour meetings through January 7th. Meeting materials, SAB members, and other information are available at EPA [SAB webpage](#). EPA has prepared a list of "Charge Questions" for the SAB reviewers to assist them in reviewing EPA's proposed approaches to deriving draft Maximum Contaminant Level goals for PFOA and PFOS in drinking water.

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[University at Albany's Biochar/Soil Study Gets USDA Grant](#)

[EPA Technical Assistance Webinar on Lagoon Systems Troubleshooting](#)

[EPA Awards Research Grants to Support Water Reuse](#)

[The Sanitation Economy](#)

CHECK IT OUT!!

[Sustainably Geeky — Epically Geeky](#) biosolids podcast with WEF's Maile Lono-Batura

[Getting a Solid Soil Response to Biosolids... | Treatment Plant Operator \(tpomag.com\)](#)

[How Metro Water Services Turns Nashvillians' Waste Into 'Music City Gold' | News | nashvillescene.com](#)

Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District's [Educator/Artist in Residence - Shop One \(onewatermadison.org\)](#)

[3D Printing for Sewer Infrastructure!?](#)

[BeBot robot sifts beach sand for tiny plastics humans miss \(fastcompany.com\)](#)

[Mike Rowe takes a look inside sewers revealing the guts of our nation - YouTube](#)

[Couple who dumped raw sewage on former in-law's land take misdemeanor plea deal | Rogersville | therogersvillereview.com](#)



Upcoming Events

January 23 - 26: New England Water Environment Association's [Annual Conference](#) & Exhibit (Boston,MA)

March 6 - 9: [Water Reuse Symposium](#) (San Antonio, TX)
March 9: New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association's Legislative Affairs Breakfast (Concord, NH)
April 5 - 6: Northeast Regional Conference – [The Science of PFAS](#) (Malborough, MA)

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