



2027 MOWA Winter Convention The Park Event Center, Waite Park



Monday, February 8, 2027		
		Agenda subject to change.
Start	End	Session or Event
12:00 PM	5:30 PM	Vendor Set-up – Vendors must be set by 5:30 PM!
3:00 PM	5:30 PM	Registration is Open – Check in Early!
6:00 PM	8:30 PM	Welcome Reception – Exhibit Hall Kicking off the Roe-D-Hoe competition!

Tuesday, February 9, 2027		
Start	End	Session or Event
6:15 AM	7:00 AM	Coffee Networking Hour – Come and network with the early risers! Located in the foyer of The Park Event Center
7:00 AM	9:15 AM	Registration is open.
7:00 AM	8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
General Session – Room: Grand Canyon		
8:00 AM	8:15 AM	MOWA Welcome & Update, Keith Valento, President
8:15 AM	8:30 AM	NOWRA Update, Chris LeClair, NOWRA President
8:30 AM	8:45 AM	MPCA Update & SSTS Technical Update, Felicia Merkson & Cody Robinson
8:45 AM	9:45 AM	Keynote 1: Mission Trips and What We Do Matters, Alex Pepin & Shane Steinbrecher
9:45 AM	10:00 AM	Break – Refreshments in Foyer
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Keynote 2: From Sample to Report: Making Sense of Wastewater Data, Brenda Faz-Cresie
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Keynote 3: MICC, The Latest from Lab and Field Studies, Ron Naumann, NPCA
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	Exhibit Hall with Lunch! Roe-D-Hoe Trials continue!

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Tracks		Track 1	Track 2	Track 3
Rooms		Grand Canyon	Badlands	Rushmore
1:30 PM	2:20 PM	Installer Open Forum Rick Viita & Jake Bell	Maintenance for Residential and Commercial FAST Systems Joe Rebori	ESRI Data Collection Apps and High Accuracy GNSS Data Collection Daniel Braun
2:20 PM	3:10 PM		Inspector Open Forum Shane Steinbrecher & Chris Uebe	Commercial Wastewater is not Residential Wastewater: When Purpose- Built Systems Matter Brenda Faz-Cresie
3:10 PM	4:00 PM	Designing Anua Products in Minnesota Alex Sundberg		What's a Customer Actually Worth? The Numbers Every Septic Business Should Know Before Spending on Marketing Chris Downing
4:00 PM	6:30 PM	Vendor Show with Roe-D-Hoe Come for refreshments and networking!		
6:45 PM	8:30 PM	Comedian Show with Tommy Ryman - Join us for refreshments and laughs!		

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Wednesday, February 10, 2027				
7:00 AM	8:15 AM	Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall		
8:15 AM	11:30 AM	Vendor Tear-down. Vendors must be out of Exhibit Hall by 11:30 AM.		
Tracks		Track 1	Track 2	Track 3
Rooms		Grand Canyon	Badlands	Rushmore
8:00 AM	8:50 AM	Service Provider Open Forum Chris Schiewe & Jerame Tysdal	New Methods to Measure Site Infiltration for Septic Drainfields Arthur Schwidder	Short-Term Rentals Panel Chris LeClair & Brent Rud
8:50 AM	9:40 AM	Maintainer Open Forum Bobby Vaillancourt & Keith Valento	Septic Tank Installation & Modifications Andy Winkler	Residential Advanced Treatment System Options in MN Christine Stutzner
9:40 AM	10:00 AM	Break in Foyer		
10:00 AM	10:50 AM	Tank Manufacturers' Meeting – Location: TBA		
10:00 AM	10:50 AM	LGU Open Forum Amanda Lang & Ben Hoyt	Dealing with sites where full systems don't fit Pete Otterness	MPCA C & E Update Nicholas Kramer
10:50 AM	11:40 AM		Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry and Onsite Wastewater Treatment John Roehl	Septic Tank Access Safety Ron Naumann, NPCA
11:40 AM	12:30 PM	Operating Permit Panel: Tyler Lampella, Gary Bruns, Pat Schultz, & Joe Sanders		
12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Membership Lunch		
1:30 PM	2:20 PM	Designer Open Forum Alex Pepin & David Guenther	Understanding your local ordinance for LGU's & Professionals Ben Hoyt & Blake Lea	Modernizing Your Septic Business: Technology and Compliance Under Minnesota Rule 7080 Austin Frutcher
2:20 PM	3:10 PM		How to Navigate MN SSTS Experience Requirements for Individual Certification Jimmy Lipps, MPCA	Excavation Safety Scott Mellum
3:10 PM		Conference adjourns.		
3:30 PM	4:45 PM	Board of Director's Meeting		