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Source Water Protection Program: Chamber of Commerce Meeting

On October 6, 2016, the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce hosted a meeting with the Source Water Protection Area (SWPA) businesses and the Source Water Protection Program (SWPP) staff. This collaborative effort is a continuation in forming partnerships with businesses to:

Update and apprise the business community on the new:

- Changes in Source Water Protection Program,
- Financial and staff resource opportunities available for assistance,
- Expanded area of protection – the Water Resource Area,
- Site Assessment program and Consultant available for risk reduction efforts by request, and
- Training and education opportunities for businesses.

Inform businesses on the new Site Assessment Program that will assist in:

- Understanding of processes and practices,
- Focusing on incentives for Best Management Practices to reduce risk,
- Identifying potential sources of risk to groundwater,
- Prioritizing these solutions for risk reduction projects, and
- Implementation of the selected risk reduction approach.

Survey businesses on services and incentives to:

- Find common needs and interests for Lunch & Learns,
- Determine type of information desired and how to provide,
- Assist in solving any problems through use of Source Water Protection Fund, and
- Recognize and acknowledge Drinking Water Protection efforts.

As an outcome of this process, the SWPP - Business Community partnership continues to be strengthened. Using 27 years of knowledge gained by these collaborative efforts, the SWPP continues to protect and preserve the region's drinking water source.

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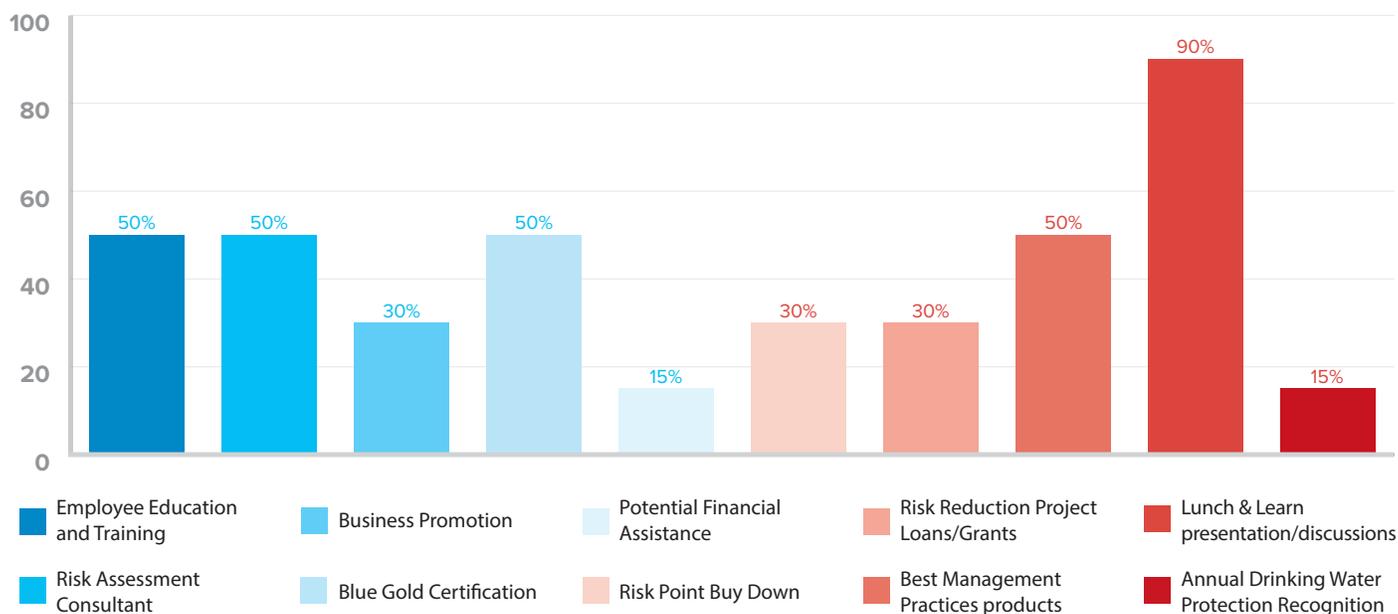
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Interested Requests: Services and Incentives

Survey feedback will be used to prioritize the service and incentive programs available to SWPA businesses.

Survey Results – Additional Information on Services and Incentives



Source Water Protection Area Site Risk Assessment FAQ's

What is a site risk assessment?

A non-regulatory tool intended to identify and reduce risk to groundwater.

How is a site risk assessment performed?

A careful look at the workplace surroundings, processes, and conditions to identify and evaluate potential risks, determine actions to reduce the risks, and/or prevent a harmful situation from occurring.

Why is a site risk assessment necessary?

To evaluate the risks posed to groundwater from chemical handling practices.

How does a site risk assessment relate to groundwater protection?

Identifies processes, situations, and conditions that can have a negative impact to groundwater. Actions can be taken to reduce or eliminate the impact of the identified cause.

What does a site risk assessment mean to businesses?

By becoming more aware of procedures and processes that pose a potential risk to groundwater, proactive actions can be taken to reduce or eliminate liability.

What resources are available to businesses for assistance in reducing risk to groundwater?

- **Funding:** The Source Water Protection Fund provides grants to support risk reduction efforts.
- **Consultant:** To assist in performing a risk assessment of your site, determining risk reduction projects, and enhancing employee training.
- **Training:** Lunch & Learns and on-site presentations will be offered to SWPA businesses. These sessions will be offered free of charge.
- **Personnel:** Your jurisdictional representative or PH-D&MC (see back page) will assist you with any questions on site risk assessment, funding, opportunities, consultant assistance, and training.

Incentives & No Cost Services

1. Expand Education and Awareness Program:
 - a. Lunch & Learns: On-site or off-site presentations
 - b. Printed or electronic information
 - c. BMP Demonstrations
2. Blue-Gold Certification
3. Business Promotions:
 - a. Spotlight in PROGRESS
 - b. Logo / information on webpage
 - c. Annual Drinking Water Protection Recognition



4. Best Management Practices Products:
 - a. Spill Kits
 - b. Drip Pans / Spill Pallets
 - c. Safety Data Sheet Stations
 - d. Signage
 - e. Secondary Containment
 - f. Other
5. Consultant
6. Risk Point Buy Down Program



HANDLE WITH CARE

Safe Storage of Salt

To properly prevent icing on roadways, sidewalks, and driveways, salt storage, and application must be treated with great care.

Here are a few tips on proper salt storage:

1. Store salt indoors on a impervious surface.
2. Only a de minimis amount of salt may be stored outside. Salt must be covered and on an impermeable pad away from wells, reservoirs, and groundwater sources. (See picture below as an example)
3. Regularly inspect the container to ensure proper working conditions and to prevent potential discharge of salt water runoff.

These guidelines are designed to minimize the potential impact of salt on the environment and to prevent contaminating the public water supply.

For answers to your questions on the proper storage of salt in the Source Water Protection Area, contact your jurisdiction's Source Water Protection representative.

For more information see daytonwater.org and/or phdmc.org



HOT TIPS

Cold Weather Fire Prevention Tips

Here are some helpful tips on how to keep your business safe from fire this season.

Furnace:

- Have furnace inspected by a licensed heating contractor, and
- Do not store combustible materials near the furnace.

Heating Oil:

- Ensure storage and handling meet local requirements,
- Have heating and ventilation units inspected, and
- Check with your local jurisdiction to see if any permits are required.

Chemical Storage:

- Properly label all containers,
- Only store chemicals in an approved location,
- Never store chemicals near heating appliances, and
- Use a flammable/combustible liquid storage cabinet.

Fire Hydrants:

- Clear snow and ice from fire hydrants near your business.

Fire Extinguishers:

- Ensure extinguisher inspections are up to date, and
- Place fire extinguishers where required.

For more helpful tips and answers to frequently asked questions contact your jurisdiction's Fire Department.



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