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H₂knOw Luncheon Update:

At the City of Dayton's most recent luncheon, the Dayton Fire Department and the Source Water Protection Program teamed up to promote groundwater protection.

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Recycling Opportunities for Businesses in Montgomery County:

The Montgomery County Solid Waste District provides numerous services to assist businesses with resources to promote recycling, waste reduction, litter prevention, and end use markets of recycled materials. Visit the site at www.mcoho.org/departments/solid_waste/business_services.php for information available to businesses in Montgomery County.

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Youth Center Services:

The Source Water Protection Program is encouraging businesses to participate in the Youth Career Services program that introduces students to the region's Science, Technology, Engineering, Administration, and Maintenance (STEAM) employment opportunities: **To develop a future workforce for the region's industry.**

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Jason Eckert of Dayton Fire presents at the H₂knOw luncheon on fire protection and groundwater protection program.



STEAM works with students and businesses to develop skilled employees.

H₂KNOW Luncheon - Join us in 2019

"We held our first H₂knOw in 2017 and had two sessions in 2018. We are currently in the planning stages for the 2019 events", stated Aaron Colson, City of Dayton, Risk Assessor and coordinator of the H₂knOws. "Attendees of past events have completed surveys and the results have provided us with topics and services that are of interest to businesses. The attendance has shown that the luncheons are a successful means of helping businesses learn about the Source Water Protection Program's financial opportunities for best management practices that protect groundwater."

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H₂KNOW LUNCHEON

H2knOw Luncheon:

Held on October 10, 2018

The Dayton Fire Department and the Source Water Protection Program (SWPP) teamed up to promote groundwater protection. During National Fire Prevention week the SWPP held the third H₂knOw at the Business Solutions Center. The focus of the program was to provide businesses with information on how fire prevention can benefit their business while protecting our region's drinking water and to learn what protection efforts a business can take.

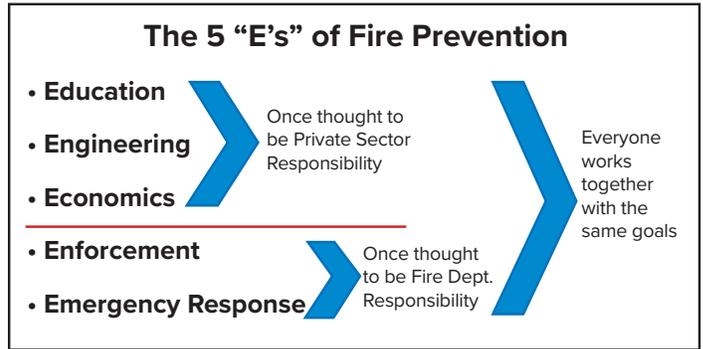
Attendees were welcomed by Michele Simmons, Manager, and Aaron Colson, Risk Assessor, for the City of Dayton, Department of Water, Division of Environmental Management.

“The Source Water Protection Program is a Multi-Jurisdictional program because it truly takes all of us working together to protect our most valuable natural resource, the aquifer.”

- Michele Simmons

Paul Fleischman, Environmental Scientist for the City of Dayton, Department of Water, Division of Environmental Management provided:

- A brief history of the SWPP,
- A review on the importance of business inspections,
- Information on spill reporting procedures, and
- An update on the groundwater monitoring program.



Jason Eckert, Fire Prevention Specialist for the City of Dayton Fire Department was the keynote speaker. Jason focused on how the Dayton Fire Department and the Source Water Protection Program have teamed up to promote groundwater protection using “The 5 “E’s” of Fire Prevention.”

“There is now a 6th “E” – Environmental. This “E” promotes our partnerships with businesses in the protection of our groundwater – The Great Miami Buried Valley Aquifer. It is Economics & Protection – NOT Economics vs. Protection.”

- Jason Eckert

Janet White, VP Housing & Economic Development Services, of CityWide Development Corporation was available at the H₂knOw to answer questions concerning funding opportunities available for Best Management Practices and Risk Reduction projects and to provide assistance in completing the **easy one-page Funding Application for grants up to \$10,000.**

Keep your eyes open for more events in 2019!



Attendees received a free spill kit and a bag of absorbent.

Business and Workforce Development Affiliation:

City of Dayton Water Career Conference

On April 24, 2019, the City of Dayton Department of Water will hold the fifth annual Career Conference. The goal of the event is to introduce students to careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, Administration, and Maintenance (STEAM). The Water Career Conference is a workforce development initiative designed to reduce the impact of an aging workforce that will be eligible for retirement over the next 5-7 years.

Professionals participate by telling their career story to groups of students as they circulate throughout the venue. Equipment demonstrations are part of the day's activities where students can experience what the jobs entail.

Around 400 area high school students have the opportunity to interact with water and business professionals, local colleges and universities, as well as professional organizations. These vendors provide resources to assist students with understanding the career opportunities in the water industry and the region's business career opportunities.

The Department of Water would like to encourage Source Water Protection Area (SWPA) businesses to participate in this program of introducing students to the region's STEAM employment opportunities. This will provide high school students with relevant work experience as well as build a pipeline of qualified candidates for job opportunities within your organization in the future.



If you would like to participate or volunteer for the 2019 Water Career Conference, contact Karen Thomas at (937) 333-3709 or karen.thomas@daytonohio.gov

Montgomery County Youth Career Services

The Department of Water is also partnering with Montgomery County Youth Career Services to place high school interns. Youth Career Services offers students a chance to experience summer and/or year-round employment while gaining valuable job experience. Thus, becoming a valuable asset as an employee while learning more about job opportunities in the region.



“Providing internship opportunities to our youth in the water industry is an awesome way to get them interested in water not only as advocates, but to also explore water as a professional or technical career path.”

- Karen F. Thomas,
Marketing Account Management Representative,
Department of Water, City of Dayton

Youth Career Services reviews the applications, covers the salary, issues Workers Compensation insurance, and provides job readiness training services. Participating businesses will identify the positions and skills required, and then will employ youth for the 8-week summer and/or the year-round session. Businesses will deliver a valuable work experience and knowledge of their industry via training, mentoring, and evaluating the youth.

For more information on how to participate, contact Youth Career Services Supervisor Aaron Ferris at (937) 824-4545 or ferrisa@mcohio.org or visit OhioMeansJobs.com/Montgomery to register under the YOUTH Tab.



COUNTY WIDE BUSINESS POLLUTION

BUSINESS BIN

Small Business Recycling Program

Any Montgomery County business with fewer than 200 employees can drop off electronics to be recycled free of charge. The drop off is open the last Wednesday of each month from 8:00am to 4:00pm at the Montgomery County Solid Waste Transfer Station at 1001 Encrete Lane, Moraine, Ohio 45439.

Electronics that will be accepted include: computers, monitors, printers, scanners, copiers, phones, fax machines, servers, circuit boards, TVs, laptops, cell phones, VCRs, and keyboards.

DATES **2** Remember

For a list of vendors that handle the disposal waste, call the Montgomery County Solid Waste District Recycle Hotline at (937) 225-4999.

For more information:

- **McMRF website:** www.mcswd.org
- **John Woodman at (937) 781-3061**
woodmanj@mcoho.org



Business electronics drop-off dates 8:00am - 4:00pm

December 26, 2018

January 30, 2019

February 27, 2019

March 27, 2019

April 24, 2019

Citizen's Recycling Program: Monday - Saturday 8:00am - 4:00pm

Donate to McMRF

Montgomery County Material Reuse Facility (McMRF) collects and warehouses unwanted, yet usable, materials from **individuals and businesses**. Items are redistributed to local non-profit organizations such as schools, churches, and community organizations. Donations of any unwanted, excess, or over-run materials are accepted at McMRF.

Donations are accepted Monday-Friday, 7:30am to 4:00pm. Donors should call (937) 781-3075 or (937) 781-3046 for an appointment.



ACCEPTED ITEMS

Construction materials	Office supplies & furniture*
Nuts, bolts, nails, screws	Stationery, picture frames
Lumber, paneling, wood scraps	File folders, labels
Windows, cabinets, doors	Desks, shelves, art work
Wire, pipe, tile, vinyl, adhesives	File cabinets, floor mats
Hand tools, paint, rollers	Chairs*, tables
Electrical supplies, lighting	Desktop organizers
Sinks, mirrors, furniture*	Working electronics

*Upholstered furniture is NOT accepted

PREVENTION AND RECYCLING INITIATIVES

Business Recycling Incentive

The business recycling incentive grant program will provide funding to enhance, increase, and promote recycling, waste reduction, and composting opportunities for businesses in Montgomery County.

Eligibility

All businesses located within Montgomery County are eligible to participate in the program. Organization requirements include:

1. Enter into a grant agreement in the form of a deferred loan to receive assistance in the business incentive grant program.
2. Submit annual recycling data to the Montgomery County Solid Waste District.
3. Attend a MANDATORY application pre-submission meeting.

For more information contact: Jaime Shepard at (937) 781-3062 or shepherdj@mcoho.org



Prescription Drug Take Back

The National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI) has launched a program designed to significantly reduce prescription drugs in American homes that are either no longer needed or outdated.

More and more adults recognize the need to remove these substances from the home both legally and safely.

Law enforcement is the only entity legally able to accept these medications and process them properly so that they do not fall into the wrong hands. Law enforcement takes control of and destroys drugs on a regular basis as part of their regular operations.

NADDI has developed a web page to provide the locations of law enforcement sites that are accepting prescription drugs throughout the United States.

To find a drop box near you visit RxDrugDropBox.org

If you are interested in the take back prescription program for your employees, contact Jaime Shepherd at (937) 781-3062 or shepherdj@mcoho.org



HANDLE WITH CARE

The Safe Storage of Salt

To properly prevent icing on roadways, sidewalks, and driveways, salt is often used to prevent injuries and/or accidents.

But when storing salt, care needs to be taken to prevent contamination of streams and groundwater from the brine runoff.

Salt never loses its capacity to de-ice no matter how long it is stored. However, salt can be lost to precipitation if not stored properly.

The Source Water Protection Area is a groundwater sensitive water resource area, therefore salt storage at all times should employ design and operation standards that minimize the possibility of salty runoff into surface waters or infiltration into groundwater.

Here are a few tips on proper salt storage:

- Salt should be stored indoors on an impervious surface.
- All outside salt storage must be covered and on an impervious pad, typically made of concrete. The pad should drain away from wells, reservoirs, and groundwater.
- Regularly inspect the pad, drainage, collection, and other systems affecting potential discharge of storm water runoff from the site.

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

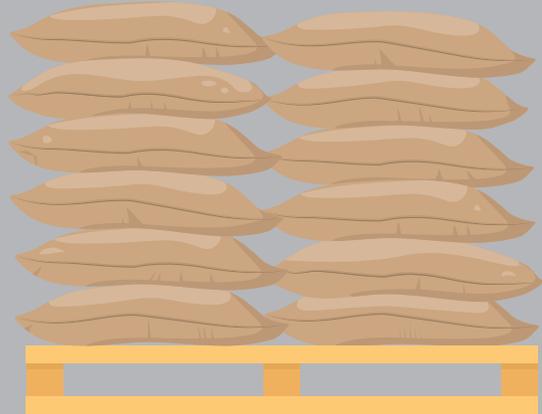
For answers to your questions on the proper storage of salt in the Source Water Protection Area, contact your Jurisdiction's Source Water Protection representative.

See back page for Jurisdictional contact information.

For more information on proper salt management visit: www.ohioepa.gov and reference the:

State of Ohio
Ohio Water Resources Council
State Coordinating Committee on Ground Water

Located at: <https://epa.ohio.gov/portals/35/owrc/saltstorageguidance.pdf>





HOT TIPS

Cold Weather Fire Prevention Tips

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

Chemical Storage:

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

Furnace:

- Have furnace inspected by a licensed heating contractor,
- Change filters regularly, 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.

Fire Hydrants:

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

Standby Power Systems:

- Maintain emergency and standby power systems per Ohio Fire Code 604.3.1, and
- Test systems regularly.

Fire Extinguishers:

- Ensure extinguisher inspections are up to date,
- Provide training for employees on proper usage, 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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