

FREE 2019 Winter Deicing Applicator Trainings

In the winter, we use salts to deice hard surfaces like sidewalks, roads, and driveways. However, it only takes about 1 teaspoon of salt to permanently pollute five gallons of water. Because we have evidence of chloride pollution in several waterways in Scott County, the Scott Watershed Management Organization (SWMO) has partnered with the Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR) through the Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment to offer FREE training events that teach snow and ice best management practices that can save money and save our water. Scott County is hosting a series of free workshops on best management practices for managing snow and ice on parking lots, sidewalks and roadways. An optional test will be offered at the end of the workshop to earn Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Level I or Level II Certification in Snow & Ice Control Best Practices. Certified individuals are listed on the MPCA website.

Winter Parking Lots/Sidewalks Training

This class is most appropriate for private maintenance companies, property managers, schools, non-profits, and staff & volunteers who maintain parking lots & sidewalks. At the end of class there is an optional state certification exam through the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). It provides individual certification for those that choose to take the optional test after the class and pass it. Individuals who take and pass the test would earn the Level 1 Certification in Snow & Ice Control Best Practices. Certified individuals are listed on the MPCA website.

Winter Roads Training – Level I

This class is most appropriate for City, County, State street and highway crews & private companies hired for township road snow removal. This is a state certification course through the MPCA. It provides individual certification for those that pass the test.

Level 2 Winter Maintenance Training

This class is focused on winter maintenance leadership, public works managers, supervisors, superintendents and other lead staff. We highly encourage you to take the Level I class before taking this class. It will prepare leaders to get their organization Level 2 MPCA certified.

Each attendee will be using the Smart Salting Assessment (SSAt) tool (a 2019 update of the Winter Maintenance Assessment tool WMAAt) to focus on issues that apply to their salting practices and future plans. The updated tool has added practices for non-bare pavement to the tool which was originally focused on bare pavement practices and integrated dust control BMPs. Tool outputs are individualized based on attendee current and future practices. The class allows time away from the distractions to use the tool.

Pre-registration is required. Email mbokman@co.scott.mn.us or call 952-496-8887 to register.

Workshop dates & locations:

Parking Lots & Sidewalks

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)

Spring Lake Township Hall

20381 Fairlawn Avenue

Prior Lake, MN

Winter Roads – Level II

Monday, August 5, 2019
8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)
SCALE Regional Training Facility
17706 Valley View Drive
Jordan, MN

Parking Lots & Sidewalks

Friday, August 23, 2019
8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)
Shakopee Community Center
1255 Fuller Street
Shakopee, MN



Winter Roads – Level I

Thursday, September 26, 2019
8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)
Spring Lake Township Hall
20381 Fairlawn Avenue
Prior Lake, MN

Parking Lots & Sidewalks

Tuesday, October 22, 2019
8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)
SCALE Regional Training Facility
17706 Valley View Drive
Jordan, MN

Winter Roads – Level I

Monday, November 4, 2019
8:00am – 1:00pm (check-in 7:30am – 8:00am)
Shakopee Community Center
1255 Fuller Street
Shakopee, MN

Funding for the workshops is provided by the Board of Water & Soil Resources through the Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment

