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A Word From the New SAEMS President – Derek Koller



Derek receiving the Golden Bung Wrench from outgoing President Pat Harrington

June kicked off our new leadership rotation for the Southern Arizona Environmental Management Society (SAEMS), and I am honored to be the 29th President of SAEMS. Thanks to Patrick Harrington for his leadership as President this past year and to Barb Ricca our outgoing Treasurer. I am excited about all of the great things happening with SAEMS and with our member's support, it will be another great year!

One of the more exciting changes that will be implemented this year is that college students can now become SAEMS members free of charge. This is a gesture of our commitment to encourage participation and networking amongst students who are pursuing an education that will lead them to a career in the Environmental, Health, and Safety industry.

We would also like to welcome in our new board for 2015-2016: Erin Lansey (Vice-President), Pat Hartshorne (Communications Coordinator), Krissy Gaska (Treasurer), Michelle Frandsen (Secretary), and Mike McGovern (President-Elect).

Attend the Upcoming July Luncheon

Our Speaker for the **Wednesday, July 29, 2015** luncheon (11:30 am – 1:30 pm at the Hotel Tucson, 475 North Granada Avenue) will be **Mr. Bradley Baker, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality**. Mr. Baker will discuss, by popular demand, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ruling on solvent-contaminated wipes and how it applies in Arizona.

REMINDER – If you register late (after 5 PM on the Friday before the luncheon) and pay on PayPal, please select the late payment fee.



June Luncheon Speaker Dr. George Hammond

June Luncheon Summary

The June luncheon was a busy one! The SAEMS board transitioned, with **Patrick Harrington** stepping down as President, **Barb Ricca** stepping down as Treasurer, and **Ami Kidder** stepping down as Vice-President. **Derek Koller** is the incoming President, with new board member **Mike McGovern** stepping into the President-elect position. **Erin Lansey** will be transitioning from Secretary to Vice President, and **Patricia Hartshorne** will remain on as the Communications Coordinator. The SAEMS board welcomes the new additions of **Michelle Frandsen** as the incoming Secretary and **Krissy Gaska** as the incoming Treasurer.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to **Frank Bonillas** for all the help he has provided, not only this year, but in years past. **Nancy Turner** was also presented an award in honor of the scholarship funds that were added by the Arizona Laboratory Association to be awarded this year to SAEMS scholarship applicants in her name.

The June luncheon speaker was **Dr. George Hammond**, the director of the **Economic and Business Research Center in the Eller College at the U of A**. He's also a research professor in the Eller College and teaches in the online MBA program. Dr. Hammond spoke to SAEMS members about **MAP, or "Making Action Possible."** This website was developed with the support of several sponsors around Arizona to create a space for interesting, reliable, and comparable information, designed to help the community get involved in local social and economic issues. MAP uses 36 core indices that site visitors can use to see how Tucson and Southern Arizona are doing and how their community compares to other communities in the southwestern U.S. One of the goals of MAP is to demonstrate information in a way that is meaningful and engaging to the public via interactive graphics and metrics. This tool is available to the public, and Dr. Hammond encourages everyone to visit, and especially send questions and requests to the MAP team, which can be used to drive additional data analysis for the community.

Calling All SAEMS Members – New, Old, and Future

Are you making the most of your membership? Do you attend monthly meetings to hear information about that month's topic? Do you mingle with the other members and network? Have you served on the Board or a Committee? Have you checked out the webpage to see what is new? Have you volunteered at a seminar or adopt a highway or other event promoted by SAEMS? Have you attended the RCRA or P2 or LEPC seminars? Why not make a New Year's resolution to do one or more of these things in 2015!

**SAEMS
Website
Updates**

Information on the SAEMS website has recently been updated. Members will be able to access an updated membership directory under the Members tab on the website (www.saems.org) or [Click Here](#) – a new member user name and password will be sent out to current members soon, now that we finally have all renewals paid for. See the latest information on the SAEMS website, including luncheon and scholarship information, previous luncheon presentations, Trash & Bash updates, Executive Committee meeting notes, financial information, News Flash archives, etc.!

PAYMENT TIP:

SAEMS lunch and seminar attendees are requested to use PayPal for payments whenever possible. Financial charges for using PayPal are about 2.7% and the charge for using a credit card averages 4.8%. In 2013 SAEMS spent \$1,600 on financial fees. If everyone used PayPal, we could cut the costs in half and have \$1,000 more for scholarships. As an added bonus, pre-paying on PayPal allows members to fast forward through the lunch or seminar check-in line.

Recent News From ADEQ Email Updates**From July 28, 2015 Newsletter – AZPDES Multi-Sector General Permits:**

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) will be initiating the process to reissue the **Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES), Multi-Sector General Permits (MSGP, mining and non-mining permits)**. The current permits were issued December 2010, became effective in January 2011, and are due to expire January 31, 2016. ADEQ is seeking preliminary comments, suggestions, and recommendations to be considered in the next permit. If you would like to submit your ideas, please email them to **Jennifer Widlowski** at jlw@azdeq.gov **no later than Friday, August 14, 2015**. After receiving initial comments and suggestions, ADEQ will establish a series of stakeholder meetings (anticipated to be 5 to 7 meetings) to be held at ADEQ's Phoenix office location. All notification will be sent out via ADEQ's industrial stormwater gov.delivery. Subscribe to ADEQ's gov.delivery at: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/AZDEQ/subscriber/new>. Provided below are the links to ADEQ's and U.S. EPA's industrial stormwater webpages including links to current permits. When considering suggestions and recommendations, please provide specific permit citations (as applicable). If you have additional questions, please contact Jennifer Widlowski at (602) 771-2256, or Christopher Henninger at (602) 771-4508, or cph@azdeq.gov.

ADEQ MSGP: <https://www.azdeq.gov/enviro/water/permits/msgp.html>

U.S. EPA: <http://water.epa.gov/polwaste/npdes/stormwater/Industrial-Activities.cfm>

From July 24, 2015 Newsletter – ADEQ New Source Review Rules:

ADEQ will hold a public stakeholder meeting to discuss draft amendments to the state **New Source Review (NSR)** regulations on **August 26, 2015 from 9:30 AM to Noon** at ADEQ, 1110 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007 in Conference Room 3175A-B. Contact Steve Burr at burr.steve@azdeq.gov or 602-771-4251.

From June 30, 2015 Newsletter – myDEQ:

The ADEQ is pleased to announce the release of the new "myDEQ" digital subscription tool offering our customers a faster, better way to meet environmental reporting requirements in an easy, online process. Please visit <https://my.azdeq.gov/> to access the following currently released applications:

- RCRA EPA ID — Digitally file U.S. EPA Form 8700-12 or modify/deactivate your existing EPA ID
- Water Quality Self-Monitoring Reporting Forms (SMRF) — Digitally submit your SMRF data

Go to https://www.azdeq.gov/myDEQ/mydeq_home.html to register for a myDEQ account.

From June 22, 2015 Newsletter – Hazardous Waste Amendments:

"The Hazardous Waste Amendments 2013 rule was submitted to GRRC with the permission of Governor Brewer and tabled at the January 6th GRRC meeting. ADEQ has resubmitted the rule without change with the permission of Governor Ducey. It will be considered by GRRC at their June 30th Study Session and July 7th meeting. The rule is available on the ADEQ website at <https://www.azdeq.gov/function/laws/draft.html#waste>"

From June 17, 2015 Newsletter – Biosolids Rule:

ADEQ's biosolids rule amendments were approved by the Governor's Regulatory Review Council. The amendments will become effective July 4, 2015. A copy of the Notice of Final Rulemaking is available at ADEQ's website: <http://www.azdeq.gov/function/laws/draft.html#water>

Job Announcements

City of Phoenix – Environmental Programs Administrator – Air quality planning, climate change and sustainability activities, soil and groundwater contamination, environmental policy development, regulatory review, and compliance oversight outreach.

https://chrspsp.phoenix.gov/psp/chrsprdtam/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL

City of Phoenix – Aviation Remediation Project Manager – The position focuses on environmental due diligence and remediation which may include, but is not limited to: Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, State and Federal Superfund, Arizona Voluntary Remediation Program, CERCLA liability protection, construction and site characterization and remediation projects, drilling soil borings and groundwater wells, sampling soil and groundwater, and data analysis, as well as overseeing remediation conducted by others.

https://chrspsp.phoenix.gov/psp/chrsprdtam/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL

Materion Ceramics (Tucson) – Environmental Health and Safety Utility Operator – Apply online at www.Materion.com/Careers.

Republic Services – Special Waste Executive in Phoenix, Arizona – <http://republicservices.jobs/phoenix-az/special-waste-executive/BDAA7446D62349829FF0A1FEC29C1733/job/>

XCEL Engineering (XCEL) – Sr Environmental Specialist position at Ft Huachuca, AZ (Sierra Vista) – Environmental Systems (EMS) and Pollution Prevention (P2) Support – XCEL Engineering (XCEL) is looking to backfill a current position on its environmental staff of 11 at Ft. Huachuca. Primary activities of this position include: Providing P2 support and overseeing the implementation of P2 equipment and technology to reduce haz material usage and generation of haz waste; identify P2 opportunities to reduce compliance burdens in the air, water, waste programs; prepare and update existing P2 plans; EMS support assisting program managers in the development of Environmental Management Plans for their programs. Requirements: Bachelor's degree in environmental engineering, environmental science, physical science or related fields with 5 years program management experience in an environmental program or a graduate degree in mentioned disciplines with 2-3 yrs program management. Past Experience working in compliance with state or federal agencies, providing guidance to teams, and being a self-starter. Previous P2 and/or EMS experience is desired. XCEL provides excellent pay and benefits. This position is eligible to work a 9/80 schedule where every 2 weeks there is a 3 day weekend. Salary \$50 – 70K depending on experience. Interested candidates should email their resume with salary requirements to mbray@xceleng.com.