

MI Environmental Network News



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Informational Forum – MI Environmental Network

This forum represents an opportunity for our partners to make connections by asking questions, providing feedback, and offering possible solutions.

Connections = solutions

Successful connections to date through this forum – 6

Clean Corporate Citizen member, AWTEC, is looking for a buyer for Atlas Copco electronic torque tools. Contact Kathy Alkire for more information at (734) 454-1710 x5213



GM Lansing Delta Township is looking for a company that could reuse these 7" red rubber bands. They generate approximately 300,000 per year. Contact Jeff Hummel at jeffrey.hummel@gm.com.



If you have information or comments regarding "Informational Forum", please send them to Jeff Spencer, Network Coordinator, at spencerj3@michigan.gov (unless otherwise indicated).

P2 Partners in the News

Community P2 Grant - Great Lakes Clean Water Organization Drug Collection Documentary

<http://www.greatlakescleanwater.org/>

WCMU Mount Pleasant December 19, 2014 at 7:30pm and December 21, 2013 at 5:00 pm

WTVS Detroit December 30, 2013 at 11:30 pm

Clean Corporate Citizen Member Listing

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-ess-p2tas-c3-list_245896_7.pdf

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Save the Date: Michigan Green Communities 2014 Annual Conference

February 25 & 26, 2014

University of Michigan - Flint

The Michigan Green Communities Annual Conference is a great way to connect with local government, university, and non-profit staff that are working on sustainability initiatives in their communities around the state. Save the date for this event and come learn about the valuable sustainability work going on around the state and gain information and resources for your own work. Look for more information in future newsletters.

Is your company interested in implementing a process change that will result in pollution prevention?

Through the **Small Business Pollution Prevention Loan Program**, the DEQ will work with the lender of your choice to provide you a loan up to \$400,000 at a reduced interest rate. If you are a small business with less than 500 employees and you are interested in eliminating or reducing waste on site, conducting environmentally sound reuse or recycling of your generated wastes, or conserving energy or water on-site then you should visit the Small Business Pollution Prevention Loan Program website at the following link http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3307_3515_4144---,00.html. For more information, you may also contact Chad Rogers at 517-373-2838.

Environmental Awareness

Cleveland Browns Start Food Waste to Energy Program

<http://waste360.com/waste-generators/cleveland-browns-start-food-waste-energy-program>

Football Stadiums Tackle Sustainability and Commitment to Environmental Stewardship

http://www.accuweather.com/en/features/trend/twice_as_much_methane_escaping/20356238

Twice as Much Methane Escaping Arctic Seafloor

<http://www.livescience.com/41476-more-arctic-seafloor-methane-found.html>

National Parks Ask Bottled Water Industry to Take a Hike

<http://www.triplepundit.com/2013/03/national-parks-ask-bottled-water/>

Greening Your Home for the Holidays

<http://blog.epa.gov/blog/2013/11/greening-your-home-for-the-holidays>

Chambers for Innovation and Clean Energy

<http://www.chambersforinnovation.com/who-we-are/participating-chambers-2/>

Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP)

<http://www.maeap.org/>

Invasive Species, Climate Changes can Wreak Havoc on Great Lakes Loon Population

<http://www.voicenews.com/articles/2013/11/25/news/doc52936db6a2213850230293.txt>

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Webinar: Introduction to Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) for Communities

http://www.dscej.org/index.php?option=com_rsform&formId=13

Energy & Climate Change

ATMs, Vending Machines Waste Loads of Energy

<http://www.energymanagertoday.com/atms-vending-machines-waste-loads-of-energy-097280>

For Utility-Scale Solar Industry, Key Questions About the Future

http://e360.yale.edu/feature/for_utility-scale_solar_industry_key_questions_about_the_future/2713/

Smart Meters are Easier to Read but Spark Privacy Concerns

<http://greatlakesecho.org/2013/12/04/smart-meters-are-easier-to-read-but-spark-privacy-concerns>

GM and U.S. Army to Expand Fuel Cell Testing

<http://media.gm.com/content/media/us/en/gm/news.detail.html/content/Pages/news/us/en/2013/Sep/0930-fuel-cell.html>

Community and Resource Conservation

Shift to Green Transport makes City Residents happier, richer

<http://www.trust.org/item/20131202140439-xp38o/?source=hpbreaking>

Michigan Recycling Coalition Annual Conference – Call for Speakers

<http://www.michiganrecycles.org/images/pdf/Conf2014/2014ConferenceCallforSpeakers2.pdf>

GreenStep Cities Program

<http://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/index.cfm>

The Exchange Network

<http://www.exchangenetwork.net/meetings-and-events/en2014/>

DERA Construction Rebate Program

<http://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/dera-rebate-construction.htm>

Power Down Day Toolkit

<https://www4.eere.energy.gov/alliance/sites/default/files/uploaded-files/power-down-day-toolkit.pdf>

Water Quality & Conservation

2014 No-Spills Conference

<http://no-spills.org/Conference.html>

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Restore America's Estuaries and The Coastal Society

<http://www.estuaries.org/summit>

Training/Workshop/Conference Opportunities

Northwestern Michigan College Solar Training Opportunities

<https://www.nmc.edu/resources/extended-education/find-a-class/energy-construction/>

Green Sports Alliance Webinar-Telling the Story: Communicating Greening Efforts to the Public in Compelling and Meaningful Ways

December 11, 2013

<https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/313093494>

DEQ's Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Control and Construction Storm Water NPDES Permits

December 19, 2013

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/188607729>

Green Infrastructure Conference

May 8-9, 2014

http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3308_3333-312197--,00.html

2014 Main Streets Conference

May 18-20, 2014

<http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/training/conference/2014-detroit/>

Feedback

If you have not done so, please take a few moments to complete this short evaluation, thanks.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FYZVR8Y>

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