



The Certified Environmental Professional

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President's Message



Mark F. Gerber
ABCEP President

As we close out the year, I would like to offer a brief message of thanks to all those in our organization who help us advance our disciplines and industry. We are a unique group and I am forever grateful to be able to work so closely with so many of you. We've had a very unique year here in the United States with such a tumultuous election process as well as the many other events that have occurred that have bearing on what we do every day. In the coming year, we can likely expect new and unique challenges as new leadership is

formed and new ideologies are put into place. I would encourage you to be ever the professional in your field and be a voice for the measured direction that we take.

Best to you,
Mark F. Gerber, CEP, ABCEP President

What's coming up in 2017?

ABCEP Board of Trustees Elections

- ◆ January 15-31 - Request Nominations
WATCH YOUR INBOX
- ◆ February 16 - March 15 - Election
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- ◆ March 27-30 - NAEP Annual Conference;
Durham NC
- ◆ March 30 - Board of Trustees In-Person
Meeting and Election of Officers
(in Durham, NC)

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**HAPPY
NEW YEAR!**



**RENEW
FOR
2017**

**KEEP STRONG
AND
MAINTAIN ON**



**Log on to
CEP-EXPRESS to-
day and take credit
for all your hard
work!**



As a CEP you are recognized as a leader in our industry. How do you demonstrate that day to day? Being a member NAEP is an excellent way to be part of a very active conversation about what we are doing and where our industry is going. It is also a great way to easily build your CEP credits as we near the end of the year. Join us!

Please visit <http://www.naep.org/> or call NAEP Headquarters at 856-283-7816 for more information.

Thank you,

Leslie Tice, CEP

NAEP Elected Board Member and Membership Committee Chair

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear CEPs:

As 2017 rolls around, I challenge our membership to do what you can to strengthen our organization. In doing so, please consider providing information for the newsletter - articles on projects and research; regulatory updates; happenings in your region (training opportunities, CEP social events), and anything that would benefit the CEP community.

There were no submissions for the December newsletter on **INNOVATION**. Please refer to **page 4** of this newsletter for the 2017 newsletter topic line-up - there should be something there for everyone. If there isn't, feel free to submit articles on other topics as well.

WATER QUALITY is on tap for February

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING will surface in March

We can't have a newsletter without your participation.

Your support is needed and will be appreciated!

Shari Cannon-Mackey, CEP, ENV SP;
Newsletter Editor

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND CHEERS TO A GREAT 2017!

from the ABCEP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2017 NEWSLETTER TOPICS

Submit all articles to Shari Cannon-Mackey at scannonmackey@burnsmcd.com

JANUARY

New Year - New Ideas
(Reflections and Resolutions)

JULY

Renewable Energy
(due July 21, 2017)

FEBRUARY

Water Quality
(due February 17, 2017)

AUGUST

Air Quality/Greenhouse Gases
(due August 18, 2017)

MARCH

Solid Waste / Recycling
(due March 17, 2017)

SEPTEMBER

Ecosystem Restoration
(due September 22, 2017)

APRIL

Habitat Conservation
(due April 20, 2017)

OCTOBER

Inland Lakes and Rivers
(due October 20, 2017)

MAY

**State Environmental Quality
Regulations vs NEPA**
(due May 19, 2017)

NOVEMBER

Remediation
(due November 17, 2017)

JUNE

Coastal Systems
(due June 16, 2017)

DECEMBER

**CEPs in the Construction
Sector** (due December 15, 2017)

Nominate an Emerging Environmental Professional



Know an Environmental Professional who has made a valuable contribution to the profession?

Someone who should be recognized for their leadership, professional involvement and commitment to the environmental profession?



Nominate them today for this prestigious award!

Email office@abcep.org
or visit
www.abcep.org/blogs/awards

Candidates must:

- Not be older than 35 years old.
- Possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited university in an applicable field.
- Be a full-time environmental professional.
- Have a minimum of 5-years professional experience in a position of responsible charge.



***Our newsletter is only as strong as
our members can make it.***

***So don't be afraid and
GET INVOLVED!***

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The ABCEP Newsletter is published monthly and is intended to be a:

- ◆ Communication vehicle for the Board of Trustees and ABCEP Committees to inform and engage with CEPs and CEP-ITs on current activities within ABCEP and its future direction.
- ◆ Forum to report on current and emerging environmental issues, regulation and policy changes, and professional trends.
- ◆ Forum to provide professional guidance and advice to expand the professional growth and knowledge of members.
- ◆ Means for members to communicate with one another on current accomplishments, interesting projects, or lessons learned on the job with new approaches and successful problem solving solutions.
- ◆ Platform to acknowledge, highlight, and welcome active CEPs and CEP-ITs.

All members are encouraged to be active in their profession and affiliated professional organization.

If you have an article or a topic of interest that you would like presented in *The Certified Environmental Professional* newsletter please submit your completed article or topic request to Shari Cannon-Mackey, CEP ENV SP, at scannonmackey@burnsmcd.com; or to Andrea Bower at office@abcep.org.

Thank you,

Shari Cannon-Mackey, CEP, ENV SP
Editor