



International Erosion Control Association

Media Release

November 1, 2007

For Immediate Release

International Erosion Control Association

Contact: Kimberly Walker

970-879-3010, kimberly@ieca.org

International Erosion Control Association Teams with CPESC, Inc. to Provide Online Storm Water Quality Certification Exam Review Courses

The International Erosion Control Association will team up with CPESC, Inc. to provide an online version of the Certified Professional in Storm Water Quality (CPSWQ) exam review course through IECA's online training web site <http://ieca.webex.com>. The 6-part overview of stormwater quality issues and techniques will begin November 9, 2007, and will continue on Fridays through December 21, 2007. Each live session will be recorded and available for on-demand viewing allowing participants to catch up on missed segments of the series.

The CPSWQ webinar series will discuss:

- pollutant concerns during and after construction;
- impacts to receiving waters;
- and site planning considerations during various phases construction and post-construction.

Participants will put their knowledge to work as they complete a summary exercise that will unite elements of site planning, rules and regulations, watershed hydrology, pollutant quantification, and erosion and sediment control.

"The CPSWQ series is designed to prepare students for the certification exam, but it also serves as an excellent overview for anyone involved in the stormwater quality management," said Kim M. Kline, technical resources director for IECA.

For professionals interested in becoming certified, CPESC, Inc. will offer the exam Friday, February 22 at Environmental Connection 2008 (EC08), IECA's annual conference and expo in Orlando, Florida, February 18-22, 2008. Pre-approval from CPESC, Inc. is required to take the exam. For more information on the exam and approval process, visit www.cpesc.org.

The CPSWQ exam review webinars series is the second exam review course CPESC, Inc. and IECA have presented through IECA's online training site. The first, the Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC) exam review, was held this summer with an encore conducted in the fall. The live and recorded sessions have been IECA's most popular webinars, said Kline. The two organizations hope to continue working together to provide professionals with the education they need to earn and maintain certifications.

Once certified, all IECA webinars, can be used as a convenient way to earn the Professional Development Units (PDUs) certified professionals need to keep their certification current or to earn credit towards an "IECA Trained" designation. Through <http://ieca.webex.com> IECA offers webinars on a variety of training topics including: Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) writing, implementation and maintenance; low impact development (LID); construction site inspection programs; rainwater harvesting; stormwater BMP maintenance and more.

Visit <http://ieca.webex.com> to register for the CPSWQ exam review or to see a current listing of live and recorded sessions.

--More--



International **Erosion Control** Association

About IECA

The International Erosion Control Association (IECA) is the world's oldest and largest association devoted entirely to helping members solve the problems caused by erosion and its byproduct – sediment. Founded in 1972, IECA is a non-profit organization that serves as the premier global resource for the prevention and control of erosion. For more information about state-of-the-art educational events and materials, please visit our web site at www.ieca.org.

#####