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"Well Said" is a production of the Oregon Water Resources Department's Enforcement Section and is designed to inform the drilling industry and the public about program activities and other items of interest.

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NEW RULES

At their May 20, 2004, meeting the Water Resources Commission adopted new rules in OAR Chapter 690, Divisions 200, 205, and 240 regarding water supply and monitoring wells and geotechnical holes.

The new rules address 2003 Legislative changes (bond amount and start card fee adjustment), new definitions and clarification of definitions, clarification of piezometers, and modifying the requirement for submitting a "Geotechnical Hole Report" in connection with slope stability geotechnical holes.

The new rules will be effective June 15, 2004. The rules will be mailed to all licensed well constructors and will also be available on the Department's website at: www.wrd.state.or.us/files/Publicatio ns/Notices/new_oars.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBER

The Department is soliciting names of well constructors who may be interested in serving on the Well Constructors Continuing Education Committee. The Committee meets approximately one day every 6-8 weeks in Salem. Interested individuals must be an Oregon resident, possess an Oregon well constructor's license and be knowledgeable in the principles of well construction. If you are interested, please submit a brief biography and a letter of interest to Juno Pandian.

STAFF CHANGES

Amy Kim, who was introduced in the February Well Said as the new NW Region Monitor Well Inspector, has accepted a position in the Department's Ground Water Section.

As of June 1, 2004, Ken Wilcke will be the NW Region Monitor Well Inspector. (This rotation is scheduled through June 30, 2005.) Ken has a Bachelor's Degree in Natural Resources with a focus on hydrology. He has worked in construction and natural resources for the past 10 years. He comes to us from the Department's Water Rights Section were he worked with time extensions.

CONTINUING EDUCATION APPROVED COURSES

At its' April 13, 2004, meeting the Continuing Education Committee approved the following courses:

Southern Willamette Valley Ground Water Workshop 3 CECs. This was sponsored by OSU and held March 19, 2003, in Junction City, Oregon.

First Aid/CPR 4 CECs in the first safety/aid/CPR category. This was sponsored by the OGWA at their 2004 Spring Convention in Springfield, Oregon.

Ground Water Transfer in Oregon 1 CEC. This was sponsored by the OGWA at their 2004 Spring Convention in Springfield, Oregon.

A-E & MW of Cement Grouting and Reporting 2 CECs in the OR gw/well laws category. Sponsored by the OGWA for their 2004 Fall Convention scheduled for October 15-16, 2004, in Redmond, Oregon.

Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response 4 CECs in the Hazmat category. Sponsored by Geo Tech Explorations in Tualatin, Oregon. Both 40 hour class and 8 hour refresher. Schedule TBA.

The following courses were approved for the Washington State Ground Water Association's April 3, 2004, Seminar in Ellensburg, WA.

Hammer Operations & Troubleshooting 2 CECs

Compressors - Maintenance & Troubleshooting 1 CEC

Video Inspection of Wells 1 CEC

Ground Water & Geophysics 1 CEC

Well Rehabilitation Utilizing Carbon Dioxide 1 CEC

Well Disinfection 1 CEC

The following courses were approved for the National Ground Water Association's Pacific NW Expo Feb. 27 & 28, 2004, in Portland, Oregon.

Improving Your Welding Skills 2 CECs

Ground Water Hydrology for Water Well Drilling Contractors and Pump Installers 2 CECs

Living With OSHA 1 CEC in the safety/first aid/CPR category

Gadgets and Tools for Water Well Industry Professionals 1 CEC

Using Insurance to Cost
Effectively Manage Your Risk 1
CEC

What's New in the World of Geothermal 1 CEC

Ground Water: Fallacies and Forecasts - 2004 McEllhiney

Distinguished Lecture Series in Water Well Technology 2 CECs

How Contractors Can Be Successful in Water Treatment 1 CEC

Federal Wage and Hour Rules: They Can Differ From the States 2 CECs

Hydrofracturing: An Overview 1 CEC

Succession Planning (Roundtable) 1.5 CECs

Continuing Education Committee approved courses are posted on the Department's web page at: www.wrd.state.or.us/cgi-bin/notices.pl?cont_ed.

OREGON ASSESSOR MAP INFORMATION

The Oregon Department of Revenue has a web site with county assessor map information. You'll want to bookmark this site:

www.ormap.org/maps/maps.htm. It is a great web site for finding tax lot information! (This is an updated web address from the one given in the May 2003 *Well Said*)

QUARTERLY REPORTS

A Quarterly Report is sent to every bonded driller who submitted a well report (log) in the preceding quarter. These can be a great tool to cross check your records. If there are errors or omissions, please contact Laurie Norton.

WELL SAID ON THE WEB

The *Well Said* is now available on the Department's web page at: www.wrd.state.or.us/groundwater/in dex.shtml.

Individuals who are on Tracy's e-mail notification list will receive an e-mail notifying you that a new issue of the *Well Said* is available. Those not on the list will receive the *Well Said* via the postal service.

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