



Upcoming Events

March 3, 2011 Advanced Water Distribution Workshop (Treatment Workshop is closed)
Register/more information: [Here](#)

March 4, 2011 Competent Person Workshop
Registration is closed

March 7 — 8, 2011 Iowa Water Conference, Scheman Center, Iowa State University
Register/more information: [Here](#)

March 14 — 16, 2011 Gas Pipeline Welder Qualification Workshop, Des Moines Area Community College, Ankeny
Register/more information: [Here](#)

March 14 — 17, 2011 Gas Pipeline Welder Qualification Workshop, Iowa Lakes Comm. College, Emmetsburg
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 4 — 8, 2011 Gas "Boot Camp" Workshop
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 6 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Mason City
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 7 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Alta
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 8 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Atlantic
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 12 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Independence
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 13 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Coralville
Register/more information: [Here](#)

April 15 Consumer Confidence Report Workshop, Ankeny (IAMU)
Register/more information: [Here](#)

Correction: The item "IAMU seeks changes in EPA's diesel generator rules" (Feb. 15, 2011 *Informer*) incorrectly stated a cost of at least \$5/kW of capacity for engine retrofitting. The figure is \$50 per kW of capacity.

March is Flood Awareness Month; new state web site

◆ Several state agencies have kicked off a month-long Flood Awareness Month campaign to assist Iowans in preparing for and remaining safe during flood events. Flood awareness is particularly important when considering the damage caused by flooding in Iowa in 2008 and 2010. Governor Terry Branstad has signed a proclamation officially declaring that March is Flood Awareness Month.



Flood-related information and safety tips will be shared throughout March with the media and the public by officials from the Iowa Insurance Division, the Rebuild Iowa Office, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division.



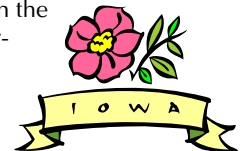
State officials advise Iowa residents to assess flood risk to their properties, discuss flood preparations with their families and to consider flood insurance. Iowans can find out more by visiting the Iowa Insurance Division's new flood awareness web site at www.DontTestTheWatersIowa.gov. Another helpful web site is www.FloodSmart.gov and Iowa's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division (HSEMD) also offers flood hazard advice at www.bereadyIowa.org.

Apps sought for IA Environmental Excellence Awards



◆ Iowa businesses, organizations and citizens are invited to apply for the Governor's Iowa Environmental Excellence Awards.

The awards are the premier environmental honors in Iowa, recognizing leadership and innovation in the protection of Iowa's water, land and air. Governor Terry Branstad has praised the awards as a way to acknowledge and celebrate innovation in the state and noted that highlighting success stories benefits other businesses and organizations in the state.



Awards will be given for overall Environmental Excellence, along with Special Project Awards in six categories. The program is coordinated by the Iowa Governor's Office, the Department of Natural Resources, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, the Iowa Department of Economic Development, the Iowa Department of Education, the Iowa Department of Public Health and the Iowa Waste Reduction Center.

For more information and to download an application, click [here](#) or contact Emily Bainter at Emily.Bainter@dnr.iowa.gov or 515-242-5955. Applications are due May 13, 2011.

Upcoming workshops will answer CCR prep questions



◆ The value of assistance is available to IAMU member water operators who need help preparing their Consumer Confidence Report (CCR).

Those needing a helping hand should plan now to attend one of the upcoming CCR Workshops scheduled for several locations around the state. The goal of the workshops is to have each participant leave with a draft – or even completed – copy of their water supply's CCR.



The half-day CCR workshops will be held at: Mason City April 6 (Lime Creek Nature Center); Alta April 7 (Community Building); Atlantic April 8 (Elks Lodge); Independence April 12 (Falcon Civic Center); Coralville April 13 (Coral Ridge Mall); and Ankeny April 15 (IAMU). Each will begin with registration at 8 a.m. and conclude by mid-day. 0.2 CEUs for water treatment OR water distribution will be awarded.

A detailed workshop brochure and registration form has been distributed and is also available, along with the electronic registration option, on the IAMU web site (click [here](#)). For more information contact IAMU Water Services Coordinator Jill Soenen at jsoenen@iamu.org or 800-810-4268.