

## MEMBER BULLETIN

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# Ministry Webinars on How to Work with, and Apply, the New Excess Soils Regulations

Ontario committed to set clear rules supporting appropriate beneficial reuse of excess soils, and in December 2019, the Ministry finalized a new excess soil regulation, O. Reg. 406/19: On-Site and Excess Soil Management, supported by risk-based standards, to support local reuse of excess soil. This regulation is being phased in, with the second wave of implementation coming on January 1st, 2022.

### The coming changes include:

- Filing a notice in the online, public **Excess Soil Registry** before removing excess soil from the project area;
- Using a Qualified Person (QP) to complete:
  - an Assessment of Past Uses and, if necessary, a Sampling and Analysis Plan and an Excess Soil Characterization Report to help understand the quality of excess soil from the project area; and
  - an Excess Soil Destination Assessment Report to verify that intended reuse sites can accept the soil to be sent to them
- Developing and applying a tracking system for excess soil during its transportation and deposit at a reuse site.
- Filing a notice to the Registry and developing procedures to track and inspect each load of excess soil being received.
- Implementing a hauling record for all movements of excess soil.

#### **Fall Webinars**

The Ministry is providing a series of webinars on several topics through late October and November, as an opportunity to share topic-specific information and for stakeholders to ask questions on that topic. To sign up for any of the topics below, click the provided link to register.

Topic Areas	Date	Registration Link
1. Project Area - Source Sites	Wednesday October 27, 9am to 11am	Register Here
2. Reuse Sites	Friday October 29, 9am to 11am	Register Here



3. Transportation of Excess Soil	Wednesday November 3, 9am to 11am	Register Here
4. Infrastructure Projects	Friday November 5, 9am to 11am	Register Here
5. Excess Soil Registry Regulatory Requirements	Friday November 12, 9am to 11am	Register Here
6. Vac Trucks and Liquid Soil Management	Friday November 19, 9am to 11am	Register Here
7. Qualified Persons (QP) and Excess Soil Planning	Wednesday November 24, 9am to 11am	Register Here
8. Soil Depots and Storage Sites	Friday November 26, 9am to 11am	Register Here

#### **Educational Materials**

To support implementation of the Excess Soil Regulation, the ministry is making educational materials available through the <u>excess soil webpage</u> of the ministry website. The ministry is developing a series of **fact sheets** to provide a plain language description of regulatory requirements along with best management practices. These factsheets will be available soon on this webpage.

Additional **educational materials** to support regulatory implementation can also be found through the ministry's excess soil web page. This includes, for example, ministry and OPS-developed best practices and guidance as well as links to guidance and other materials developed by external partners.

If you have any questions about the new excess soils regulation, please contact Krisha Ruchlewicz (krisha.ruchlewicz@oswca.org or 905-629-7766 ext. 227).