



**Issue: #51 (CORRECTED EDITION)**  
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CORRECTED EDITION (NOTE DATE OF WORKSHOP BELOW)

You are invited to attend the Frac Sand Workshop in Eau Claire, WI  
at the Plaza Hotel and Suites-DECEMBER 14, 2015

**A CONFERENCE NOT TO BE MISSED!**

The Wisconsin Farmers Union and the Wisconsin Towns Association have planned a special workshop. This is a joint effort to bring everyone up to date on the many issues related to the frac sand industry as it continues to grow in the Mid-West. Town, county and municipal leaders are invited to attend along with citizens in various communities both inside and outside of the State of Wisconsin.

Your attendance and participation will be important!

[The poster for this event is found here.](#)

[The workshop REGISTRATION FORM can be found here](#)

Please feel free to share this information with others.

The deadline for mailing in the registrations is Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2015

Seating is limited to 300 at this event.

## **Frac Sand Mining Workshop-An Update on Emerging Topics and Issues**

**Sponsored by Wisconsin Farmers Union and Wisconsin Towns Association**

Conference Goal: Provide an opportunity for local officials and citizens to learn about emerging issues and effective tools for managing frac sand mining development in their communities. The conference will focus on presentations from independent professionals who are working directly with local governments and on providing a forum for local officials and citizens to share experiences and information.

### **Morning Sessions**

9:00-9:30am

**Registration**

9:30-10:15am

**Welcome- Overview of Mining**

**Development and Role of Local Government**

o **Wisconsin Farmers Union**

§ Brief review and summary of mining development

§ Industry projections and trends

o **Wisconsin Towns Association - Executive Director Mike Koles**

§ Role of local government in mining development

§ Protecting public health and welfare

10:15-10:30am

**Break**

10:30am-noon

**Toolbox for Towns – Paul Kent, Stafford Rosenbaum LLP**

o Overview of legal options and tools that towns have at their disposal to address frac sand mining development.

- § Moratoria
  - § Zoning and conditional use permits
  - § Non-metallic mining ordinances/Licensing Ordinances
    - § Developers Agreements
    - § Impact Fees and Cost Recovery
    - § Q & A
- 12:00-12:45pm                      **Lunch**

### Afternoon Sessions

12:45-1:30pm                      **Economic Benefits and Costs of Frac Sand Mining - Steve Deller, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Professor of Agricultural and Applied Economics**

- o General review of available data and research
  - § Short and long term economic impacts
  - § Boom and bust cycle of sand mining
  - § Jobs created short term and long term
    - § Tax revenue impact
    - § Property values impact
  - § Land value before and after reclamation
    - § Q & A

1:30-2:15pm                      **Mining Reclamation - Lessons We are Learning - Dan Masterpole, Chippewa County Land Conservation and Forest Management Department**

- o Review of experience & emerging information on issues to address in reclamation planning
  - § What have we learned from reclamation of frac sand mines in the past 5 years?
    - § Feasibility of land to be reclaimed to previous status
    - § Benefits and drawbacks of reclamation to different land uses
      - § Productivity of farmland before and after reclamation
      - § Changes in reclamation planning in past 5 years

2:15-2:30pm                      **Break**

2:30-3:15pm                      **General Session**

- o **Sharing Experiences – Town Board Member and Citizen Panel**

- § Sharing Experiences
- § Developing Ordinances
- § Negotiating Agreements
- § Protecting Public Health and Safety
- § Q & A

3:15-4:00pm

### **Breakout Sessions**

- o **Presentation on Annexation – What Every Town Should Know**
  - **Review of the legal landscape – Philip Freeburg, UW-Extension Center for Local Government**
    - o Addressing balloon on a string annexations
    - o Review of recent examples and legal issues involved
    - o **Environmental Considerations –Air Quality**
  - **Dr. Crispin Pierce of University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire**
- o Airborne Particulate Matter (PM) 2.5 near frac sand mines and implications for monitoring air quality to protect public health and air quality

4:00pm

### **Wrap-up**

## **Frac Sand Mining Workshop**

**Monday, December 14th**

*The Plaza Hotel & Suites*

*1202 W. Clairemont Ave. Eau Claire, WI*

In the past five years Wisconsin experienced a boom in frac sand mining activity. In response, many communities have worked to create tools to manage this development and protect common interests. This year, mining development has slowed and even stopped in some areas. What lessons have local towns learned? What are positive and negative impacts? Are there emerging issues that need to be addressed?

Town officials and interested citizens are invited to share their experiences and join in this important discussion.

The cost to attend is \$25 if registered by December 8th. Register today at [www.wisconsinfarmersunion.com](http://www.wisconsinfarmersunion.com) or call the WFU State Office at 715-723-5561 for more details.

Hear from local officials and independent professionals who have been working with local governments to manage mining development. Topics will include:

- Overview of Mining in Wisconsin  
Wisconsin Farmers Union
- The Role of Local Government  
Wisconsin Towns Association
  - Toolbox for Towns

*Paul Kent, Stafford Rosenbaum LLP*

- Economic Benefits & Costs of Sand Mining  
*Steve Deller, UW-Extension Community*  
Economic Development Specialist

- Mining Reclamation: Lessons Learned  
*Dan Masterpole, County Conservationist, Chippewa County*

- Annexation: What Every Town Should Know  
*Philip Freeberg, UW-Extension Center for Local Government*

- Environmental Considerations: Air Quality  
*Dr. Crispin Pierce, UW-Eau Claire*

- Sharing Experiences

*Panel of local officials and citizens will share their experiences in developing ordinances, negotiating agreements and managing mining development issues*

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***Welcome to the Frac Sand Sentinel, a newsletter highlighting resource links, news media accounts, blog posts, correspondence, observations and opinions gathered regarding local actions on, and impacts of, the developing frac sand mining and processing industries.***

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