Oklahoma Tribal Institute for On-site Wastewater Treatment Systems

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Tribal Participation

• 16 Tribes (43%)
• 1 Tribal Agency (Indian Health Service)
• 28 assessments
# Tribes

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Geographical
* Obtain training for personal improvements.
* Attend continuing education training to maintain a certification
* Become a certified on-site wastewater system installer.
* Increase tribal awareness by developing and delivering a homeowner educational program for operation and maintenance of on-site waste water systems.
* Attend a workshop that will address any of the seven issues mentioned on page 1. (indicate which ones)
Training Priorities

- Regulations
- Design
- Soils
- Technology
- Operation/Maintenance
- Installation/Inspection

The diagram shows the relative priorities for different training areas with Installation/Inspection being the highest priority followed by Operation/Maintenance.
Comments

• Development of Tribal Code is most important
• Home owner and maintenance manual is needed
• Certification for DEQ
• Certification for DEQ to understand centralized wastewater system plants
• Certification in sanitation
• Have a liaison between tribes and institute for continuity
• Over time would attend any and all training offered
• Let me know what I can do to help in any way
• Would like to be a part of a permanent board
• Make sure western tribes are included