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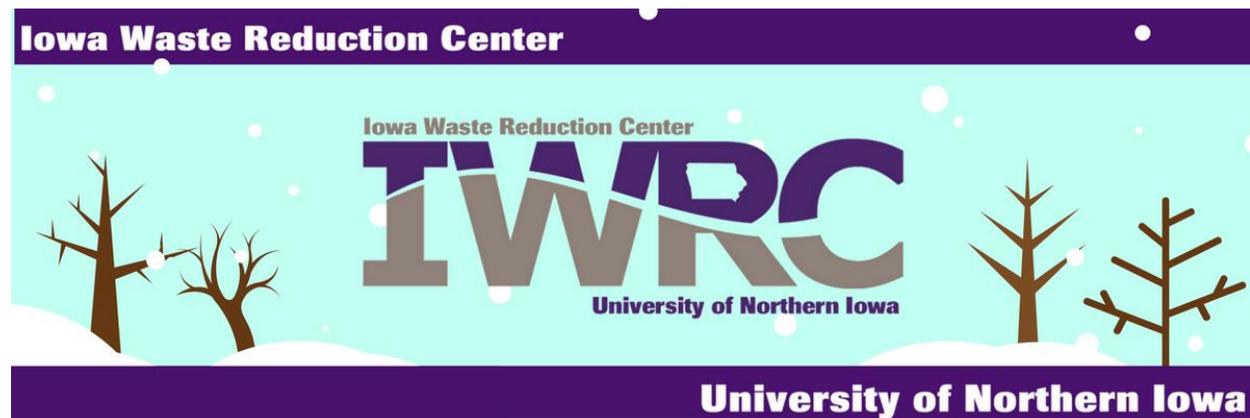
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State of the Center - January 2020

A Letter from IWRC Director, Joe Bolick

Bring on 2020!

As we look back at the last year, one word keeps coming to mind...GROWTH. The IWRC has been and continues to be in growth mode. Our programs are growing, our staff is growing and I couldn't be more excited. 2020 is going to be an exceptional year for the IWRC!

The most exciting development in the last 12 months has been the addition of two new staff members, Bret Lang and Grant Helle. Bret brings years of GIS experience and a fresh perspective to the work we do. He has hit the ground running and is going to continue to be a great addition to the IWRC. We've also had the pleasure to watch Grant grow from being a student intern (a great one, at that) for the last couple of years to become a trusted colleague upon his graduation. To be honest, that is probably the greatest thing about our organization...being able to watch the students grow to become successful professionals.

As I mentioned above, our programming continues to grow. We are launching a new program in March, thanks to funding from the Iowa Economic Development Authority, to work with rural Iowa businesses on energy efficiency. This two-year project, led by Dan Nickey, is our entry into the world of energy efficiency, which is so critical for a business to have sustained success. It's going to be fun to see how this program grows and expands over the next year. [Read more](#)

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Minor Source Emissions Inventory Assistance

MSEI season is underway. Facilities in the central third of Iowa, as well as portable plants, must submit their 2019 MSEI by May 15, 2020. The IWRC's Iowa Air Emissions Assistance Program has many resources available to help including tutorials, calculators, checklists, and even one-on-one training sessions at no charge for Iowa businesses with less than 100 employees. For more information, visit <https://iwrc.uni.edu/msei>

November 2019 SGP Workshop Materials Now Online

The Iowa DNR has uploaded the materials from the Fall 2019 Strategic Goals Program Workshop: RCRA Inspections and Waste Determinations, Optimizing Your Water Systems, and EASYAir. Visit the [workshop's webpage](#) to download the delivered presentations and other supporting tools and resources.



[Iowa DNR SLEIS Training](#)

January 30 | Cedar Rapids

[Iowa DNR SLEIS Training](#)

February 4 | Des Moines

[UNI Day at the Capitol](#)

February 17 | Des Moines

[Global Waste Management Symposium](#)

February 23 | Indian Wells, CA

INDUSTRY NEWS

January 31 Reporting Deadlines

Grain Facility PM10 PTE Due January 31, 2020

As a reminder, Group 1 and Group 2 Grain Elevators are required to calculate their facility's PM10 potential to emit (PTE) annually for the previous calendar year. The GrainPTE program, developed by the IWRC's Iowa Air Emissions Assistance Program, is a free calculation tool that helps you easily record facility information, calculate the required PM10 PTE and generate reports as needed

from any device that has Internet access.

To meet regulation requirements, facility calculations must be completed by **January 31, 2020** for the 2019 calendar year. These records and calculations do not need to be submitted to the Iowa DNR but must be kept on-site for a period of five years and be made available upon request. To get started, simply visit <https://grain.iwrc.uni.edu> to register or login to your free account! If you have any questions, please give us a call at 1-800-422-3109 for assistance.

6X Certification and Compliance Report for 2019

Businesses subject to 6X Metal Fabrication and Finishing NESHAP - the report for 2019 will be due **January 31, 2020**. Download the report and get more information on IWRC's Iowa Air Emissions Assistance Program [6X webpage](#).

| Sustainability |

[A Snapshot of the 6 Biggest Fast Food Companies' Sustainability Pledges](#) (The Spoon)

| Recycling |

[Reverse Vending Machine from TOMRA Takes 100 Bottles for Recycling at Once](#) (Waste Management World)

| Air Quality |

[Air Quality permits under review](#) (Iowa DNR)

| Food Waste |

[Zero Waste Cooking: 17 Ways to Reduce Food Waste in the Kitchen](#) (Food Print)



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