

ECTC DEVELOPS PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

To understand industry needs and ways to meet those needs, the

Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA); the Associated



ECTC members converge on Washington, D.C. to learn about the needs of other industry associations and how ECTC can fulfill those needs.

General Contractors of America (AGC); the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB); the National Association of County Engineers (NACE); the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA); and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

SWANA and ECTC agreed to work together on a webinar that was offered July 13 and 20, 2006. The use of rolled erosion control products (RECPs) are recognized best management practices. When RECPs are used to control soil migration from construction sites, the quality of stormwater is positively impacted. This training program included a review of the NPDES regulations, an overview of RECPs, instruction on the proper installation techniques for RECPs, and design and selection of RECPs.

Additional courses with other industry partners are currently in the works. More details will be available over the coming months. Visit www.ectc.org for the most up-to-date information on ECTC educational offerings.

The purpose of these meetings was to discuss the ECTC's Installers Training Program that ECTC has developed and is working in partnership with industry associations to present.

Erosion Control Technology Council (ECTC) spent time with several association partners in Washington, D.C. June 5-7, 2006. ECTC members met with representatives from the American Road &

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **ECTC Conducts Meetings in Washington, D.C.**
- **New ECTC Division in Planning Stages**
- **RECP Installation DVD—A Must-Have Tool**
- **Technical Committee Changes**
- **ECTC Exhibits in Booth #32 at StormCon**

ECTC TO EXPAND WITH CREATION OF NEW DIVISION

Growing interest from the industry has led the Erosion Control Technology Council (ECTC) to create a new division of ECTC for covering hydraulically applied erosion control products and fiber rolls.

Industry professionals interested in forming this new division met

with ECTC representatives during EC06 in February, and meetings continued during the June ECTC quarterly meetings held in Washington, D.C.

ECTC is taking the initial steps of creating a division for hydraulically applied erosion control products and fiber rolls.

The planning committee will meet in Minneapolis, Minn. Sept. 20-21, 2006. For a copy of this meeting's agenda, contact Laurie Honnigford, laurie@ectc.org.

NEW CHAIRMAN APPOINTED TO ECTC TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Due to new job responsibilities, Tony Johnson of American Excelsior Co., has tendered his resignation as Chairman of the ECTC's Technical Committee. ECTC by-laws stipulate that the ECTC

Chairman appoints the Technical Committee Chairman. Historically, the Technical Committee has voted for their Chairman and then the ECTC Chairman officially appoints the person the com-

mittee has selected.

Brad Braden of Mat, Inc., was nominated Chad Lipscomb of Western Excelsior for the open position of Chairman. Roy Nelsen of ErosionControl-Blanket.com seconded the nomination. Lipscomb was unanimously approved as the new Technical Committee Chairman. Tim Lancaster, ECTC Chairman, North American Green, Inc., officially appointed Lipscomb to this position.

Gabe Weaver from North American Green, Inc. was appointed to replace Lipscomb as Secretary of the Technical Committee.



Left: Chad Lipscomb, Western Excelsior, newly appointed Technical Committee Chair. Right: Gabe Weaver, North American Green, Inc., newly appointed Technical Committee Secretary.

INDUSTRY TECHNICAL LIAISONS

ECTC has Industry Technical Liaisons to increase communication between ECTC and other industry associations. The Industry Technical Liaisons also are members of the groups for which they serve as liaisons.



Below is a list of the 2006 Industry Technical Liaisons:

ASTM Liaison

Roy Nelsen, ErosionControl-Blanket.com

International Erosion Control Association (IECA) Liaison

Marc Theisen, Profile Products, LLC

National Transportation Product Evaluation Program (NTPEP) Liaison

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American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)/Environmental and Water Resources Institute (EWRI)

Chad Lipscomb, Western Excelsior

For more information on ECTC's Industry Technical Liaisons, contact Laurie Honnigford, ECTC Executive Director, at laurie@ectc.org.

NEW MEDIA TOOL AVAILABLE ON WWW.ECTC.ORG

The ECTC website has a new page, "Experts for the Media," which features a searchable listing of ECTC Directing Members available to assist the media with technical advice on various erosion and sedi-

ment control topics, ranging from bioengineering to seeding to TRM technology.

One of ECTC's goals is to make ECTC the "go-to" source for erosion and sedi-

ment control information. This new tool makes ECTC an easily accessible, constantly available source for the media's erosion and sediment control information needs.

ECTC'S EDUCATIONAL RECP INSTALLATION DVD IS A MUST-HAVE TOOL FOR INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS

ECTC produced an educational DVD on the proper installation of Rolled Erosion Control Products (RECPs). The DVD, which includes sections on installation of RECPs in channels, slopes and shorelines, is one initiative in the ECTC's drive for education and standardization within this growing industry.

Since becoming available this spring, the DVD has been featured in numerous publications as well as featured on ESCN.tv. Professionals in the industry have been both downloading the videos from ECTC's website, www.ectc.org, and ordering DVDs containing the important educational information.

"These DVDs were produced to educate and help installers

insure proper application of RECPs," said Mark Myrowich, ECTC Marketing Committee Chairman. "Proper installation of RECPs is the most important step in any erosion prevention system."

A visual educational tool, the DVD provides step-by-step instruction on correct installation procedures including site preparation; blanket (RECP) replacement; RECP stapling/staking; anchor trench details; and shingling of RECPs.

Each of the three DVD sections is approximately eight minutes in length and is ideal for training before a contractor sends installers into the field. The focus of this DVD is installation only; it does not contain product selection or design information.



ECTC is a non-profit organization committed to advancing the use of RECPs. Those interested in obtaining this educational tool may either download the video or request a DVD by visiting www.ectc.org. For further information, contact Laurie Honnigford at +1-651-554-1895, e-mail laurie@ectc.org or visit www.ectc.org.

ECTC AT STORMCON IN DENVER, COLO.

ECTC will exhibit at StormCon '06 July 24-27, 2006 at the Adam's Mark hotel, Denver, Colo. Promoted as the leading source for NPDES Phase II training in all aspects of

stormwater management for municipalities, StormCon '06 will feature presentations by the nation's leading stormwater professionals. Stop by Booth #32 to learn more

about ECTC's current projects, programs and available educational tools. If you can't make it to StormCon, learn more about ECTC by visiting www.ectc.org.

WHO WE ARE

Members of the ECTC are committed to promoting the proper use of RECPs by providing education and industry leadership. For more information, visit our website, www.ectc.org, or contact any of the following Directing Members:

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Colbond Geosynthetics
Conwed Plastics
East Coast Erosion Blankets, LLC
ErosionControlBlanket.com

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ECTC ADDS TAGLINE TO LOGO

Focused on the continued growth of the erosion control industry, ECTC has decided to highlight two important keys in this growth: education and standardization.

ECTC has added the tagline, "Education and Standardization for a Growing Industry" to its logo.

ECTC believes its standardization efforts will increase understanding and facilitate proper selection by specifiers of RECPs. ECTC hopes to take the mystery out of specifying these products and replace it with industry accepted states-of-practice through training and education.

ECTC QUARTERLY MEETINGS

September 20–21, 2006
Minneapolis, Minn.

December 6–7, 2006
Minneapolis, Minn.

Visit www.ectc.org for the calendar of meetings.