



**2009 - 2010**

*December Meeting Notice*

**Minnesota Geotechnical Society**

**Construction Dewatering Methods**

**Joe Hockberger, Senior Project Manager – Mersino Dewatering, Inc.**

Large scale dewatering is a niche specialty services which is often required when excavation for construction or maintenance is required below the groundwater surface, diversion of waterways for utility installation, drawdown and water level maintenance of water bodies for construction, inspection, and to control water during flooding. Methods of dewatering including deep well dewatering, wellpoint dewatering, trenched tile collection systems and sock dewatering as well as eductor well dewatering. Large scale dewatering is equipment and energy intensive, and effective planning for dewatering can help improve project schedule and cost.

Mr. Hockberger will discuss various dewatering techniques, some unique and interesting case histories, and will discuss how engineers and contractors can preliminarily budget for dewatering.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 8, 2009  
**Location:** Grandma's Saloon and Grill – Upper Level  
522 Lake Avenue South

**Time: 11:45** Registration and begin lunch buffet, choice of:

**Chicken Sandwich Buffet**

*Plump, juicy chicken breast grilled to perfection, and served with French Fries. Accompanied by lettuce, tomato, and mayonnaise. Additional condiments include assorted cheeses (mozzarella, Swiss, pepper-jack, and cheddar), salsa, thick-cut smokehouse bacon, mushrooms, and BBQ sauce.*

**Build a Burger Buffet**

*A juicy 1/3 pound burger grilled to perfection and served with French fries. The tools to build your burger include American cheese, mayonnaise, lettuce, tomato, and onions. Additional condiments include assorted cheeses (mozzarella, Swiss, pepper-jack, and cheddar), salsa, thick-cut smokehouse bacon, mushrooms, and BBQ sauce.*

**12:00** Presentation – Joe Hockberger, Mersino Dewatering, Inc.  
(One professional development hour toward continuing education requirements for Professional Engineers is available).

**Cost:** \$17.00 members and non-members, and \$10.00 Full-time students, payable to MGS at the door.

**Reservations:** Requested by 12 Noon, Monday, December 7, 2009  
Please register via the website at <http://www.mngeotechnicalsociety.com/eventsduluth.asp>

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