

# RCM NEWS

## RCM News for December 2016

We wish you a healthy, happy, and energy efficiency new year

A newsletter for Resource Conservation Managers in the Northwest

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**NOTE: Due to arm injuries from an accident, this month's RCM News contains only upcoming events. However, you'll be able to enjoy the new year with a larger January 2017 issue.**

### Upcoming Events & Training Opportunities

#### ENERGY STAR® and Portfolio Manager® Trainings

All are online webinars.

- Benchmarking Water/Wastewater Treatment Facilities – Jan 26, 2017
- Ask the Expert – Every Wednesday at 9:00 AM Pacific time

[Click here for more webinars and information](#)

US EPA

#### Spark Building Renewal Tool

Spark is an online tool that creates a building renewal strategy

- December 7 online

[Click here for more information](#)

Northwest Energy Efficiency Council – Smart Building Center and BetterBricks

#### 2016 Oregon APEM Winter Forum

“Leading the Market: A Look at Energy Efficiency in a Constantly Evolving Market”

- December 9 in Portland

[Click here for more information](#)

Oregon Association of Professional Energy Managers

#### Building Operators Certification

BOC Level I certification is 74 hours of training and project work in building systems maintenance. Level II certification is 61 hours of training and elective coursework in equipment troubleshooting and maintenance. Classes usually meet one or two full days a month over a period of four to six months.

*All dates below are for the first class.*

- Washington State
  - Level I – March 29, 2017 in Seattle

- Level I – May 2017 in Olympia
- Level I – Sept 26, 2017 in Renton
- Level I – Oct 2017 in Everett

[Click for BOC Washington State information](#)

- Oregon

- Level I – March 8, 2017 in Pendleton
- Level I – Sept 6, 2017 in Portland
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*Building Operators Certification*

## Resources for You

### Portfolio Manager 2017 Changes

Changes to the Portfolio Manager web services will go into effect on February 13, 2017. Learn about these changes at a [December 13, 2016 live webinar](#). Improvements include updates to water meter types and water use metrics, as well as sharing properties in bulk. [Check here](#) on December 12 when the beta test version of the 8.0 update is released.

### Green Ribbon Schools

It's time to nominate the school or school district in Washington State who is "doing great work" for a [Green Ribbon award](#). The Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction selects finalists who are then forwarded to the U.S. Department of Education for possible national award selection. Applications are due by January 9, 2017.

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### Do you have newsletters, websites and links to share? Do you have RCM questions?

RCM News is always looking for interesting information, tips and resources to share with other resource conservation managers. Our goal is to increase your success by sharing what you and your colleagues are doing – with energy efficiency measures, problem-solving, communication, data tracking, presentations, and more. In addition, WSU Energy Program can help find solutions to your RCM program's technical and programmatic questions. [Email Karen](#) to share and ask!

### Washington RCM Support

The Washington State University Energy Program provides RCM support. Check out the "RCMx" website: <http://www.energy.wsu.edu/PublicFacilitiesSupport/ResourceConservation/RCMx.aspx>. We appreciate any feedback on this site and would also appreciate items to add to our resources, such as tools, examples of policies and job descriptions.

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