

**North Carolina Rural Communities Assistance Project, Inc.
Fall 2007 Workshop Series**

**Rural Water and Wastewater Projects:
Getting to Success with Your Consulting Engineer**

November 14th 2007

James Sprunt Community College's Monk Auditorium
Hoffler Building, 123 James Sprunt Dr, Kenansville, NC, 28349

Registration check-in will begin at 9:00 am

Agenda

- 10:00 – 10:15 am Introductory presentation on why we're here
- Sharon LaPalme, NCRCAP Associate Director
- 10:15 – 11:30 am Panel Discussion: What Works.... Or Not?
- Greg Bethea, Town Administrator, Town of Pinetops
- Josh Ray, Manager, City of Whiteville
- Buck Kennedy, Director of Business Development, The Wooten Company
- Julie Haigler Cubeta, Director, Water & Sewer Programs, NC Rural Center
- Roger Davis, Program Director, Water and Environmental Programs, NC Rural Development, USDA
- 11:30 am – 12:00 pm First Aid Kit for Imperfect Moments: Conflict Resolution
- Yolanda Burwell, Senior Fellow, NC Rural Center
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm *** Lunch ***
- 1:00 – 1:45 pm Requests for Proposals: Selection and evaluating tools
- Steve Bridges, Purchasing Manager, City of Wilmington
- 1:45 – 2:45 pm Financial Planning Assistance & Consultants
- Julie Haigler Cubeta, NC Rural Center
- Andrew Westbrook, UNC School of Government/Environmental Finance Center
- 2:45 – 3:00 pm *** break ***
- 3:00 – 3:45 pm Contract Negotiation 101
- Joseph Glass, Engineering Manager, Fayetteville Public Works Commission
- 3:45 – 4:30 pm Current Infrastructure Funding Programs
- USDA Rural Development, Roger Davis
- NC Rural Center, Sheila Swart, Grants Manager, Economic Infrastructure Program

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