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Forum Report November 2017

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Action Items:

MDEQ

Concerns were expressed to MDEQ regarding their September 28, 2017 letter informing LPH of the discontinuation of the Self-Assessment Review Option of Accreditation for the On-site Wastewater Treatment Management Program.

Per phone conversation with Jeremy Hoeh from MDEQ, he confirmed that a new memo will be sent out to within the next couple of weeks receding discontinuing self-assessment option for the On-Site Program. There will be an option for LPH to drop self-assessment and have DEQ staff conduct the full program review.

MDARD

Kristen and Addie will be representing MALEHA on the MDARD Food Safety Education Fund Review Committee. I appreciate the partnership with MDARD and the time spent reviewing grant submissions.

LPH and MDARD are working on a Hepatitis A educational outreach initiative that will provide informational posters to all licensed food establishments. The information provided also includes LPH contact information for employees that suspect Hepatitis A exposure.

Future Meeting Items: Your MALEHA board will be meeting this afternoon and will be discussing liability coverage for our association, reviewing our bylaws and our relationship with MALPH. We will keep you all posted and will bring any items to the forum that require membership input.

Active Hot Topics:

Several other topics are still active seeing current/weekly activity including:

- DWMAD Water Lab Thermal Preservation Procedures/Issues Kirby Shane will be at our January 18, 2018 MALEHA meeting.
- MDEQ Closed Loop Geothermal Regulations

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