



2023 is the LSPA's 30th Anniversary

Before we fully jump into the new year, we want to extend a sincere thank you to our loyal members and volunteers, as well as our generous corporate and event sponsors, for a very productive 2022. Because of you, the LSPA was able to further our mission of advancing and advocating for the waste site cleanup practice.

Some 2022 highlights include:

- Developing 4 on-demand courses, holding 3 in-person courses and 17 live webinars while delivering CEU forms electronically through our learning management system.
- Forming a [Work Group](#) to review MassDEP's technical updates on historic fill and anthropogenic background.
- Encouraging the professional development of Emerging Professionals by presenting two panel discussions: on preparing for and taking [the LSP exam](#), and on various [career tracks in waste site cleanup](#).
- Contributing to regulatory and policy discussions including developing and sending to MassDEP a [Working Draft Questions & Answers \(Q&A\) PFAS document](#); suggesting updates to [MassDEP's 2014 AUL Guidance](#); supporting and inviting the [Massachusetts Soil Beneficial Reuse Coalition](#) to [present to the LSPA](#); and sharing a [Climate Change MCP Toolkit](#) to assist waste site cleanup practitioners as they consider the

potential effects of climate change on site assessment and response actions.

- Beginning to offer NY PG (Professional Geologist) credits for all of our appropriate events.
- Receiving [annual sponsorship and partner support](#) from 29 companies.
- Awarding [WES Professional Practice Grants](#) for studies which each culminated in member meeting presentations: [High Viscosity LNAPL Recoverability Assessment](#), and [Evaluation of PFAS in Rain Across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts](#).
- Meeting with MassDEP Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup (BWSC) leadership in all four MassDEP regions, as well as all BWSC Audit Section Chiefs, and sharing meeting takeaways through email blasts, compliance tips, and course topics.
- Advocating for [legislation](#) mandating insurance coverage for home heating oil releases and facilitating media coverage including this [Boston Globe editorial](#) to publicize the issue.
- Surpassing over 500 followers on our [LinkedIn](#) pages.
- And so much more!