



CCPPA 2019/2020 Seminars

The Canadian Concrete Pipe and Precast Association (CCPPA) has a staff of five engineers with over 80 years of combined work experience that includes engineering design, the concrete industry, and both the flexible and rigid drainage products industries. CCPPA is also heavily involved with technical committees of various other industry associations, and product standards committees for ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) International and CSA (Canadian Standards Association) Group such as: A257, A23.1, A23.2, A23.4 and B1800.

Due to the overwhelmingly positive response from those who attended the technical seminars entitled “Protecting Yourself as a Gravity Pipe Engineer or Inspector” that were previously offered, the CCPPA is planning to extend this technical seminar series to more locations in the coming months. Design engineers, project managers, and field inspectors from the private and public sectors across Canada will have an opportunity to learn from industry professionals on how to specify both rigid and flexible underground pipe systems.

At the end of this seminar, attendees will have a better understanding of:

- Assessment of pipe systems
- Rigid and flexible pipe design and installation
- Trenching issues
- Precast concrete boxes
- Product quality and inspection

The seminars are free of charge and a certificate for five professional development hours will be presented to each person who attends.

Dates and locations for this seminar series are as follows:

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| • Winnipeg - December 3rd, 2019 | • Niagara - January 23rd, 2020 |
| • Saskatoon - December 4th, 2019 | • Burnaby - February 4th, 2020 |
| • Regina - December 5th, 2019 | • Victoria - February 6th, 2020 |
| • London - January 21st, 2020 | • Edmonton - March 3rd, 2020 |
| • Kitchener Waterloo - January 22nd, 2020 | • Calgary - March 5th, 2020 |

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M CON Products Inc. Expands Plant to Increase Wet Cast Production Capabilities

M CON Products Inc. has been working hard to update and expand its Carp, Ontario production facility with the latest industry technology and equipment since 2013. The 2018 year-end saw the erection of precast concrete panels that were used as the exterior walls of the newly expanded Wet Cast production area, timely before the cold Ontario weather hit.

Originally built in 1992, Phase 4 of the current plant was the home of a Hawkeye VUP machine (1200 mm to 3000 mm pipe). In 2017, the machine was removed, upgraded and installed in a much larger production bay. With the completion of the extension of Phase 4, the Wet Cast bay comes in at 1256 m2 (13,500 sq. ft.). The new wet cast bay has been equipped with two 25,000kg cranes, one 5,000kg half-gantry crane and 9.75m of lifting height capacity. After removing the original VUP machine, the bay was left with a 2.7m deep pit which will now to be used to produce taller precast products. The pit will be covered with a precast concrete panel floor when not in use. The Phase 4 expansion also includes one 7.3m x 7.3m overhead door enabling wider product to be produced and removed from the plant. Steel cage fabrication, and any custom wood formwork for specialized pieces, will also be housed in this bay. With a dedicated 3000L Haarup concrete mixer, this bay is ready to produce much larger structures, increasing M CON Product’s capacity and providing more efficient production.



MCON Wetcast: Picture of the new wet cast bay interior.



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