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STN Website Redesigned

We've revamped the design; refreshed, renewed and re-launched our website and we invite you to take a look.

We've improved the navigation and imagery and repolished the site with new features, new content and a new look to give users an easy-to-use, information rich portal to the tire and rubber recycling industry.

The content reflects what tire and rubber recyclers want to find on a site and our redesign provides entry points to valuable content and delivers a seamless flow of information via click-throughs.

With the redesign, we're excited to introduce the Industry Blog with 25 years of experience.

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Alabama Encourages TDA Use

New septic tank initiative rebates residential systems

A septic system project near Collins Chapel, Alabama installed last month is the first in the state to use tire-derived field aggregate (TDA) in lieu of sand or gravel in the installation of a septic tank drain field. The project is also the first to benefit from a new State program that provides grants to support the use of TDA as the drainage media in individual, residential systems.



Alabama is the latest in a list of states advancing the use of TDA as drainage media in septic systems. The photo above shows TDA being installed at a Colorado residence.

Under the program, launched in January of this year, the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) is making \$100,000 available to increase awareness, and use of scrap materials in septic tank drain fields. The Collins Chapel project was eligible for a \$2,500 reimbursement under the new ADEM program.

In order to participate in the reimbursement program, the septic system must be installed at a residence, and TDA must be utilized as the drainage media. The design and installation of the septic system must meet, or exceed, the requirements that have been established by the Alabama Department of Public Health.

In addition, the septic system must be installed by an installer that is licensed through the Alabama Onsite Wastewater Board.

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Georgia Extends Tire Fee

Tire recycling funds put on hold

Georgia lawmakers passed a bill last month extending the \$1 per tire fee on each new tire sold in the state for another three years.

HB 274, sponsored by Rep. Randy Nix, R-LaGrange, extends the fee's expiration date until June 30, 2014, from its current date of June 30, 2011. The tire fee provision is part of a larger bill revising the state's solid waste and landfill rules.

Yet, despite the extension, its likely the approximately \$6 million Georgia collects annually for recycling tires could be diverted away from scrap tire management programs in the state for as much as three more years.

The \$1 scrap tire management fee charged on every new tire sale is directed to go to disposing of tires, under provision of the state's Solid Waste Act, Rep. Nix said. But, during hearings on the measure he explained to the House Natural Resources and

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