



2026 Pretreatment Training
Advanced: Local Limits

May 5 | 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Winslow Homer Room | The Westin Portland Harborview | Portland, ME

Instructors:

Bob Griffin, Professional Engineer, NC

LeAnn Books, Michael Baker International, VA

Morning

7:30 – 11:00	Registration
7:30 – 9:00	Continental Breakfast
8:00 – 8:15	Welcome and Introduction
8:15 – 9:15	Module 1 – Determination of Pollutants of Concern
9:15 – 9:30	Break
9:30 – 11:00	Module 2 – Developing a Sampling Plan
11:00 – 12:00	Module 3 – Removal Efficiency Calculations

Afternoon

12:00 – 1:30	Lunch (on your own)
1:15 – 4:00	Registration
1:30 – 2:15	Module 4 – Developing AHLs and MAHL for each POC
2:15 – 2:45	Module 5 – Determining the MAIL
2:45 – 3:00	Break
3:00 – 4:15	Module 6 – MAIL Allocation Methods
4:15 – 5:00	Module 7 – Assessing and Updating Local Limits
5:00	Adjourn

About the Instructors:



Robert L. Griffin, PE
Professional Engineer
Wilmington, NC

Bob Griffin is a registered Professional Engineer who has over 48 years' experience working with Water Sector operations, Chemical Sector, Pharmaceutical Sector, and other governmental and non-governmental clients on a broad spectrum of environmental issues associated with industrial and municipal wastewater treatment, as well as a full range of environmental permitting. A frequent speaker and instructor, Mr. Griffin has taught numerous Pretreatment Courses and Industrial User Classification and Permitting - Pretreatment Training Courses, as well as Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Oil and Grease Course for municipalities. He taught numerous VSAT™ training sessions across the country. He has recently focused presentations on Pretreatment and PFAS at NACWA's National Environmental Law and Compliance Seminar, and the NC Chamber of Commerce Environmental Compliance Conference.

Mr. Griffin has chaired the North Carolina Water Environment Association Committee responsible for developing and implementing training for the certification of operators of physical/chemical treatment systems. He has been associated with operator training for over 35 years.

Mr. Griffin is a Certified Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, and Grade II Physical Chemical Operator in NC. Prior to becoming a consultant, he worked as an Industrial Waste Technician, Chemist, Industrial Waste Division Manager, and System Protection Division Head for a large southeast municipality.



LeAnn Books
Project Manager – Water
Michael Baker International
Missoula, MT

LeAnn Books, PE, is a professionally licensed civil engineer specializing in the program management of Industrial Pretreatment Programs for cities and agencies. Her expertise includes local limits evaluations, industrial permitting, pretreatment ordinances and municipal code development, and regulatory compliance. Based in Helena, MT, Ms. Books has supported Pretreatment Programs in EPA Regions 1, 4, 8, 9, and 10. Her experience spans both the planning and construction phases of municipal water and wastewater treatment facilities. Ms. Books has reviewed and updated pretreatment ordinances for four communities, provided long-term on-call pretreatment support to two communities, completed detailed local limits evaluations communities, reviewed permit renewal applications (including ERPs and spill plans), drafted industrial wastewater discharge permits, and assisted communities in developing robust procedures for consistent program implementation in accordance with state and federal regulations. She routinely manages communication and coordination with federal, state, and local regulatory agencies.