

# Weekly Newsletter

Water Out South Puget Sound dries crawl space in Tacoma, WA

## Greetings!

### New Construction Drying Class held by Water Out and Brickman Consulting at the RIA Fall Conference in Baltimore

November 18-22, Water Out Drying Corp will be exhibiting at the RIA Fall Conference at the Hyatt Regency in Baltimore, MD. Come visit booth #112 to see what Water Out contractors have been up to, learn more about the equipment and take a look at the Slab Safe Moisture Meter, manufactured by Howard Brickman. Slab Safe is a durable handheld relative humidity meter with a streamlined design. Similar products come with higher price tags and plastic sleeves that can be easily lost. It's simple: drill a hole that is 40% of the overall depth of the slab, let the interior of the hole equilibrate and drop Slab Safe in for a reading that is ASTM F2170 compliant. Excessive moisture in a concrete slab is the number one reason for failures of floor coverings and coatings. Failures translate directly into lost time and money. Save yourself the headache: measure the relative humidity of the concrete slab prior to installation.

In addition, Water Out will be joined by Howard Brickman of Brickman Consulting ([www.brickmanconsulting.com](http://www.brickmanconsulting.com)) on Saturday, November 22, 2008 for "Advanced Hardwood and Concrete Drying".

**The class will be held in the Baltimore Room. You will be able to sign up and pay by cash or check at the Water Out booth during show hours. There is a \$50 registration for this class and it will include continental breakfast. (Breakfast will be served at 8:00).**

This course will cover how to properly test moisture content in wood and concrete, understanding moisture in the building envelope, reducing or eliminating punch lists and call backs for builders and the real secrets of drying wood floors. We will also cover evaporation of water in an enclosed space and Water Out Drying Equipment.

Space is limited, to register contact Kelly Cressy at [Kelly@waterout.com](mailto:Kelly@waterout.com) or at 800-848-1761.

For more information about the upcoming RIA Fall Conference or to register please visit [www.restorationindustry.org](http://www.restorationindustry.org).

### Water Out South Puget South dries crawl space for local resident

Last month, Wally Stoneberg owner of Water Out South Puget Sound sent in a report on a job they completed for a home in Tacoma, Washington. Wally reports: "Homeowners Brad and his wife Michelle were renovating a 70 year old single level home when they discovered they had a water problem. An exposed pipe in the kitchen had broken off and water ran for about 20 minutes. An inspection determined that the real problem was below the kitchen in the crawl space. Brad had installed a sump pump in the crawl space to protect against flooding. Floor joints in the affected area had moisture readings of 38%MC and the extra thick insulation had extensive water damage. We set up the Water Out trailer and let it run for 24 hours. After setting up the Water Out trailer and letting it dry for 24 hours, Brad inspected the crawl space. He found some insulation still retained water and the wood around it was still wet. The insulation was removed exposing the wet floor joist and subfloor. We continued drying for another 24 hours and completely dried the space."

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Photo above and below:  
Water Out South Puget  
Sound drying crawl  
space in Tacoma, WA



*Happy Drying!*

**"Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it."**

- Lou Holtz