



“There are two main objectives to this round of revisions: clarifying the language and strengthening the deliverable. The Task Group looked for inconsistencies in the practice and focused on areas where the standard’s language needed to be improved, updated, or clarified to better reflect good commercial and customary practice. We did a lot of industry outreach, so most consultants should find that the revisions aren’t going to rock their world, that they’re already doing most of these things already.”

Julie Kilgore, ASTM Task Group chair, EBA Presentation March 30, 2021

Which of the following things is your organization doing/planning to do to prepare for the transition to a new version of the E 1527 standard?

Most Common Strategies

Internal efforts to educate our Phase I ESA staff	83%
Review of our Phase I ESA report templates	74%
Changes to our processes	65%
External client alerts on what’s changing, how we’ve prepared	39%

SOURCE: Webinar attendee survey, March 11, 2021

TASK GROUP UPDATE

On April 2nd, the Main Committee Ballot for voting by Task Group members closed. At the ASTM E 50 Committee Week meeting on April 14th, the Task Group began its review of any negatives or comments received during the latest balloting process.

DID YOU KNOW... ?

How common are leaking underground storage tanks? Looking at a sample of more than 10,000 recent government record report orders, approximately 5-10% had a recorded leaking tank on the subject property.

The proposed revisions to the E 1527 standard include language that emphasizes the importance of reviewing historical sources for adjoining properties. It is interesting to note that this data analysis also revealed that 49% of the time there is a leaking tank within one-eighth of a mile of the subject property.

CONTENT SPOTLIGHT

- [Blog: Ballot Opens on Proposed Changes to ASTM E1527 Standard](#)
- [Q&A with Julie Kilgore](#)
- [Replay to March 11th Webinar: A Deep Dive into Potential Revisions to ASTM E 1527](#)



UPCOMING:

- Follow up from our March 11th Webinar - Stay tuned for key take-aways and panelists’ answers to questions submitted during the Q&A asking about such topics as report shelf life, vapor intrusion, definitions, adjoining properties, data gaps, and more.
- Our 3rd LightBox ASTM Webinar featuring Kilgore & USEPA’s Patricia Overmeyer - Thursday 6/3 2pm EST.



HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

All Task Group members have access to the proposed changes. To join the Task Group, visit: <https://www.astm.org/MEMBERSHIP/index.html>