

# ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW

Professionals want to be part of a winning team. EnviroCert International, Inc. (ECI) Certifications provide opportunities to be part of a community of international leaders promoting a more resilient and sustainable local and global environment. ECI Certifications will elevate your career and prepare individuals to be part of a community of professionals that continue to create a greener tomorrow.

### **WHO WE ARE**

ECI is the leading non-profit organization dedicated to elevating knowledge and inspiring conservation of the environment through Professional Certification. ECI consists of an international team of dedicated employees, volunteers, subject matter experts (SMEs), and professionals. Our team is passionate about supporting every professional and the overall organization in the pursuit of excellence by implementing guiding principles that are a part of the purpose and vision of the organization.

"Certifications for the Promise of a Greener Tomorrow" is ECI's guiding philosophy, embodying the essence of the organization. ECI administers Professional Certifications to equip individuals with the highest standards of expertise, empowering them to address the complex global challenges to ensure future sustainability and resilience. ECI provides individuals with the essential tools to be part of the winning solutions needed to address these challenges.

## **ECI PROFESSIONALS ARE GLOBAL LEADERS**

ECI works with individuals worldwide to earn Professional Certifications as part of a larger purpose to promote and advance environmental stewardship. ECI's network encompasses tens of thousands of professionals across more than forty-four (44) countries. ECI standards provide the public and our professionals with the knowledge and assurance that ECI Certifications represent the highest certification quality and standards in the industry. With a forty-six (46) year legacy, ECI's Professional Certifications are highly respected in the stormwater and environmental sectors. ECI unites a global community of skilled professionals who collaborate to solve complex ecological challenges, earning respect from peers, government agencies, employers, and clients who are taking on the challenges facing all of us in the 21st century's environmental challenges.









#### **ECI PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION BENEFITS**

Professional Certifications are essential for individuals seeking to advance their careers and credibility. ECI's innovative programs inspire environmental experts to lead in creating a more sustainable and resilient future. These certifications distinguish Certified Professionals for promotions, higher-paying positions, and status in the professional community. They also provide access to a network of industry professionals, resources, subject matter experts (SMEs), and continuing education, supporting ongoing growth and success.

By providing rigorous certification programs, ECI contributes to:

- Improving water quality: through effective stormwater management practices
- Protecting ecosystems: by preventing erosion and sediment pollution
- Advancing environmental education: by promoting knowledge and expertise globally

#### THE HIGHEST STANDARDS

Professional Certifications, when earned through reputable third-party organizations such as ECI, are generally considered a strong indicator of an individual's expertise in a specific field. ECI Professional Certification(s) validate a high level of knowledge, skills, and competency:

- High Level of Training: ECI Certification programs require rigorous study and practical application to pass the associated exams.
- Mastery of a Skill: Successful certification demonstrates a deep understanding and proficiency in the certification area.
- Analytical and Deductive Reasoning: ECI certification exams test a candidate's ability to apply critical thinking skills to real-world problems.

## **ACCREDITATION STANDARDS, IMPARTIALITY AND DIVERSITY**

ECI distinguishes itself by consistently adhering to ANAB (ANSI National Accreditation Board) accreditation-compliant policies and rigorous professional standards. Unlike other organizations, ECI bases its Professional Certifications on education and work experience rather than economics and high passage rates. ANAB accreditation certification standards (ISO/IEC 17024) enhance transparency, credibility, and reliability among professionals, employers, and regulatory agencies. Impartiality is audited annually to ensure fairness across all certification programs. ECI is committed to continuous improvement by developing technical content and formulating exam questions vetted by diverse professionals. Our mission for global stormwater, environmental management, and Green Infrastructure (GI) includes individuals of every race, identity, experience, and ability.

## FOSTERING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ECI's Professional Development Hours (PDH) policy requires continuing education to support ongoing professional growth. This focus ensures ECI Certified Professionals are prepared to tackle emerging challenges and standards in the rapidly evolving fields of stormwater and environmental management.

ECI has broadened the qualified Professional Development Hours (PDH) program ensuring that PDH content is relevant to ECI certifications while also giving PDH providers a valuable marketing tool that designates their content as eligible for ECI PDH credits. ECI is committed to furthering professional development by continuously analyzing and displaying PDH opportunities with the latest advancements in environmental science and technology. While certifications demonstrate mastery at a specific point in time, ongoing professional development is crucial for maintaining expertise.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For more information about ECI please visit www.envirocert.org, email info@envirocert.org, or contact the office at (279) 888-6911.