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| This is a SHORT, LIGHT and SIMPLE newsletter. Its purpose is to rekindle in the initiated terminology they have once learned and enlighten the uninitiated on terms they may have heard but never known the meaning of. |
| **More on Expertise**A previous letter on the gradations of expertise ([Issue #235, January 17, 2018](http://amiadini.com/NewsletterArchive/180117-NL235/envEnl-235.html)) brought in cheerful responses, and we thank the responders for that. Continuing in this wake, we submit the following definitions for your consideration:**Expert Opinion Defined:**An opinion that is fully understood by them who voice that opinion, is all the way true in accordance with their own observation and can be applied to produce predictable results.Corollary:**Non-expert Opinion Defined:**An opinion that is borrowed from others, may not be fully understood, and has not been not tested or observed by its presenter in true application.Society uses non-expert opinion as means to expands its culture, and it has good value when presented with the admission of lack of self-observation and with acknowledgement of source. Not everyone has seen Earth rotating around the sun, yet we relay it to others as a workable truth.You have probably seen similar definitions in action. I'll be happy to share in your experience.

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| You can find past issues of our "Environmental Enlightenment" at [amiadini.com](http://www.amiadini.com/)Wealth of information about environmental site assessments in the real estate transactions and issues concerning assessment and cleanup of contamination in the subsurface soil and groundwater. |

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