



Integrating Wetlands into Watershed Protection Efforts

A Watershed Academy Webcast

Session Description:

In celebration of **American Wetlands Month**, this Webcast will explore key ways of integrating wetland protection into local watershed management efforts. The focus will be on wetlands located in rural, suburban and urban settings and how they are directly and indirectly impacted by land development. The Webcast will describe how the eight tools of watershed protection can be adapted to strengthen wetland protection, conservation and restoration.

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Tom has a keen interest in the science and management of urban streams, lakes and wetlands. He is working on a wide range of research projects and watershed applications to improve the tools used for watershed protection and restoration.

The Watershed Academy

The Watershed Academy is a focal point in EPA's Office of Water for providing training and information on implementing watershed approaches. The watershed approach is one of the four pillars of the EPA's Sustainable Infrastructure Initiative. The Academy sponsors live classroom training, online distance learning modules through the Watershed Academy Web at www.epa.gov/watertrain/, and most recently, Webcasts on various watershed planning and restoration topics. EPA plans to offer additional Webcasts in 2006. For more information, visit www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/wacademy/.

Registration

Registration for this Webcast opens May 10, 2006. You must register in advance to participate in the Webcast. To register, visit www.clu-in.org/live. The Webcast will be a Web-based slide presentation with a companion audio portion. There are two options for accessing the audio portion of the Webcast: by phone OR streaming audio broadcast (not both). By selecting one registration option at the registration page, you will be registering to view the Web-based slides and the audio method of your choice. If you choose the streaming audio option, you will not be able to participate by telephone. However, you will be able to submit questions online for the presenters to answer during the Webcast. Closed-captioning is available. Upon registration you will receive complete participation instructions. Please note that there are a limited number of toll-free phone lines available, so register early to guarantee your spot. Because of the growing popularity of these Webcasts and the limited number of available spaces, we strongly encourage you to reserve a conference room and invite your colleagues and other partners to participate. If you register after that limit is reached, you will be added to a waiting list. After the Webcast is over, an audio version of the Webcast will be available—visit www.epa.gov/watershedwebcasts/ for more information.

Questions?

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