

Using STORET Data to Characterize Your Watershed

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Two-hour audio Web broadcast

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A Watershed Academy Webcast:

EPA's STORET program encourages and supports sound data management — a vital aspect of effective watershed planning and protection — no matter how large or small the organization. The National STORET Data Warehouse is EPA's Internet available repository of water quality data. It contains water quality data of all types — physical, chemical and biological -- collected by federal agencies, states, tribes, watershed organizations, and universities. This Webcast will provide a brief overview of the STORET program and discuss the importance of data management to watershed protection. Speakers will offer a quick primer on how to access data from the STORET warehouse and use that data to characterize a watershed. Future developments in STORET — in particular, those relevant to watershed organizations — will also be discussed, as well as how individual organizations can get involved.

Instructors:



Randy Hill, IT Project Manager, US EPA Monitoring Branch

Before joining EPA as STORET's Project Manager, Randy has had 20 years of project management experience from both the government and commercial sector where he led the implementation and training of Oracle Ebusiness Suite Software. As the STORET PM, he has management responsibilities for the day-to-day operations, maintenance, and development of new software functionality.



Dwane Young, IT Specialist, US EPA Monitoring Branch

Dwane has been involved with STORET since 2001, with the last 1 ½ years as part of EPA's Monitoring Branch in the Office of Water. He has led the development of the Water Quality Exchange (WQX), and has worked with numerous states and tribes in assisting them implement good data management practices and STORET as part of their day-to-day activities.



Kristen Gunthardt, IT Specialist, US EPA Monitoring Branch

Kristen is an IT Specialist at EPA Headquarters in Washington, DC, where she has been involved with the STORET program since 2005. She supports the STORET program in the area of communications and outreach, and has worked with various states and tribes in outreach for the Water Quality Exchange (WQX).

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 Academy sponsors live classroom training and online distance learning modules through the Watershed Academy Web at www.epa.gov/watertrain. For more information, visit www.epa.gov/watershedacademy.

Registration

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Questions?

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