

Training for Rehabilitation of Aging Watershed Dams.....Now on CD-ROM

The NRCS National Employee Development Center (NEDC) announces the availability of the **Rehabilitation of Aging Watershed Dams** training course.

This training is self-paced and computer-based, consisting of 8 modules on a single CD-ROM. The modules can be viewed individually or as a complete course. The computer-based approach uses computer and multi-media technology to create a complete multi-sensory learning program by presenting the material in written word, narration, pictures, and audio. There is no written course handbook associated with this training. This is awareness level training intended to provide an overview of primary issues involved with rehabilitation of aging dams.

Training Module Titles:

- Module 1: Overview of Aging Watershed Dams
- Module 2: Safety and Environmental Issues
Regarding Watershed Dams
- Module 3: Rehabilitation Authorities
- Module 4: Overview of Policies and Procedures
to Implement a Rehabilitation Program
- Module 5: Project Sponsor Responsibilities
- Module 6: Assessments of Existing Dams
- Module 7: Watershed Planning for
Rehabilitation
- Module 8: Common Rehabilitation Solutions

Targeted Audience:

The following will benefit from this course:

- ◆ NRCS field employees
- ◆ Watershed project sponsors
- ◆ Community leaders
- ◆ State Dam Safety officials

Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of the training, the participant will be able to:

- ◆ Describe background and status of watershed projects
- ◆ Discuss safety and environmental issues regarding watershed dams
- ◆ Identify legal authorities now available to NRCS to assist communities with rehabilitation of their aging watershed dams
- ◆ Identify the general process of implementing a watershed program
- ◆ Describe project sponsor responsibilities for existing watershed projects and proposed rehabilitation projects
- ◆ Identify factors to evaluate typical rehabilitation needs of aging watershed dams
- ◆ List steps in the planning process that may lead to rehabilitation of an aging dam
- ◆ Identify common rehabilitation problems and various rehabilitation alternatives to address typical problems.

Duration:

This training course is self-paced, but should be able to be completed in approximately four hours.

Distribution of training CD's:

Contact the NRCS State Conservationist in your state to obtain a CD-ROM.