

Integrating Drinking Water into Watershed Protection

A Watershed Academy Webcast

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Session Description:

This Webcast will provide a primer on public water supplies and the recently completed source water assessments mandated by the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act. Source water is untreated water from streams, rivers, lakes or underground aquifers that is used to provide public drinking water and to supply private wells. While the source water assessments were required and funded, responsibility for implementing protection measures resides at the state, local and utility level. Instructors will discuss how they have integrated source water protection into their programs by using technical assistance, partnerships, tools available through the Clean Water Act and other programs, and by collaborating with watershed and smart growth efforts.

Instructors:



Beth Hall, Environmental Protection Specialist, US EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water

Beth Hall works with the source water protection program within EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water. Since 1998 her responsibilities have included source water development, state program review, state and local source water protection support and stakeholder coordination and outreach.



Sheree Stewart, Drinking Water Protection Coordinator, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

After serving as the Senior Hydrogeologist for several hazardous waste contamination cleanup sites that directly affected public water systems in Oregon, she had the opportunity to develop a progressive program to protect Oregon's public drinking water supplies. Oregon's program emphasizes risk analysis, county leadership, community outreach, and strong technical assistance.



Chris Crockett, Manager of Watershed Protection, Philadelphia Water Department (PWD)

Dr. Crockett is the manager of Watershed Protection for the PWD, which is responsible for protecting the drainage areas of the Schuylkill and Delaware Rivers and developing partnerships to reduce stormwater impacts in Philadelphia. Under his direction, PWD has received the 2002 USEPA Region III Source Water Protection Award and 2003 American Water Works Association Exemplary Source Water Protection Award.

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

Registration

Registration for this Webcast opens November 15, 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. Due to 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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