



Section 319 Agricultural Nonpoint Source Success Stories



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The Section 319 Clean Water Act Nonpoint Source Management Program was established 25 years ago by the 1987 Amendments to the Clean Water Act (CWA). Under Section 319, states, territories and tribes receive grants that support a wide variety of activities including technical assistance, financial assistance, education, training, technology transfer, demonstration projects, monitoring, and other activities. This webcast will highlight agricultural nonpoint source success stories from Oklahoma, Virginia, and Wisconsin. For information on all of our current Section 319 Nonpoint Source Success Stories see <http://www.epa.gov/nps/success>. This webcast is part of our series of Watershed Academy Webcasts in honor of the 40th anniversary of the CWA.



Bass Lake just after alum treatment, which helped reduce phosphorus in the lake.

Instructors:

Lynda Hall, Chief, Nonpoint Source Control Branch, U.S. EPA's Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, has been with U.S. EPA working to improve environmental management and water quality for more than 20 years. She has served in a number of management positions at EPA and has recently moved to lead EPA's Nonpoint Source Control Branch which has responsibility for managing the Section 319 program.

Shanon Phillips, Director, Water Quality Division, Oklahoma Conservation Commission, has worked in water quality for the past 17 years with the State of Oklahoma. Much of that work has involved collaboration with Conservation Districts, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, and U.S. EPA to help agricultural producers protect water quality from nonpoint source impacts of nutrients, sediment, and bacteria through voluntary conservation programs.

Nesha McRae, TMDL/Watershed Field Coordinator, Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, works with communities throughout the Shenandoah Valley to develop and implement TMDL implementation plans to address water quality impairments on Virginia's streams. Over the past several years, Nesha has worked to enhance the collaborative process used to develop TMDL implementation plans in Virginia, including engaging farmers in discussions targeted to increasing participation rates in federal and state cost share programs for agricultural best management practices.

Greg Sevener, Watershed Specialist, Watershed Bureau, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), has worked for the Wisconsin DNR for 35 years. He initially worked in water quality planning and transitioned to a field office to work on wastewater and water resources. Since 1985, Greg has been involved in the Bass Lake Restoration Project along with other types of lakes projects in Wisconsin DNR of which many involved working with the Marinette County Land and Water Office.

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