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How do I register?

Please fill out the registration form in this brochure **no later than January 3, 2007** and mail it to Helen Siverling at the address indicated, or send your name, title, organizational affiliation, mailing address, e-mail address, phone number, and fax number to helen.siverling@tetrattech-ffx.com. Space is limited and will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis, though priority consideration will be given to ensuring that participants include watershed managers and public agency representatives from throughout EPA Region 9. There is no registration fee for attending this workshop.

Call Helen at (703) 385-6000 for registration details. For information regarding the agenda, please contact Sam Ziegler, USEPA, at (415) 972-3399 or e-mail ziegler.sam@epa.gov.

Workshop location:

The workshop will be held at the Doubletree Hotel & Meeting Center, Berkeley Marina, 200 Marina Boulevard, Berkeley, CA 94710. A block of rooms will be available at the state government rate of \$111 per night. This rate is guaranteed through 1/2/07 by 5 p.m. PST. Attendees are responsible for contacting the hotel to make their own room reservations. Reference "EPA Watershed Workshop" to reserve a room in this block and receive the government rate. To make reservations call (510) 548-7920.

Driving directions

The Berkeley Marina Doubletree Hotel and Conference Center is located just west of Interstate 80/580 on the San Francisco Bay in Berkeley, California.

Take the University Avenue exit in Berkeley. The hotel is at the western-most point of University, at the Berkeley Marina.

From the North: Take Interstate 80/580 to the University Avenue exit in Berkeley. Turn west (left) on University Avenue, then turn right onto Marina Boulevard.

From the South: Take Interstate 880 north toward Berkeley/Sacramento, exit onto University Avenue. Go to 7th St and make a U-turn. Proceed back on University Avenue to the west, and turn right onto Marina Boulevard.

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(Confirmations will be sent one week prior to the event only to those providing an e-mail address.)

Complete this registration form by 1/3/07 and mail it to:

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Watershed Planning: A Workshop on Developing and Implementing Plans To Improve Water Quality

Sponsored by USEPA Region 9 for federal, state, tribal and local watershed representatives throughout the region.

January 24–25, 2007

Doubletree Hotel & Conference Center
Berkeley Marina
200 Marina Boulevard
Berkeley, California 94710



Watershed Management

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Moving toward successful watershed planning and management

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 office in San Francisco is sponsoring a workshop for federal, state, tribal, and local representatives to promote the development and implementation of watershed plans that improve water quality and meet federal and state requirements.

Why watershed planning?

For the past 15 years water resource management initiatives have endorsed a watershed approach for addressing challenges posed by nonpoint source pollution, urban stormwater, and impacts from wastewater treatment plants. The importance of basin-wide management has been underlined by recent guidance from the EPA which calls for watershed-based plans for all projects supported by competitive funding from the Clean Water Act Section 319 program.

In February 2006, EPA released a new watershed planning handbook on developing watershed plans which discusses both the planning process and the plan itself. The handbook emphasizes that the overall process should involve stakeholders, consider all impairments and threats, and focus on development of plans “that are designed to meet water quality standards.” The handbook is structured so that it can be followed step by step through the watershed planning process or so that readers can go to individual sections that highlight specific technical tools for use in the watershed planning effort. Some of these materials will be discussed during the workshop. The handbook is available on EPA’s website at www.epa.gov/owow/nps/watershed_handbook.

This workshop will examine the watershed planning process, focusing on how to achieve more significant water quality improvements through quantification of pollutant loads and provide for ongoing implementation. The workshop will also address how watershed planning can integrate related water quality efforts such as TMDLs and source water protection, along with other natural resource and community needs.

Who should come?

This workshop is intended for watershed managers and representatives, public agency staff, local planners, and others active in the water resource planning field.

Preliminary Workshop Agenda

Wednesday, January 24, 2007

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| 8:00–8:30 | Registration |
| 8:30–12:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Challenges to Watershed PlanningWatershed Planning Approach in EPA Region 9The Process and the Product: Planning to Achieve ResultsApproaches for Quantifying Current Pollutant Loads/ Conditions |
| 12:00–1:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00–5:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Group Exercise: Dissecting a Watershed PlanNotes from the Field: Selected Case StudiesGroup Exercise: Selecting Methods for Pollutant Analysis |

Thursday, January 25, 2007

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| 8:30–12:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Review and Discussion of Day 1Using Load Information to Develop Management StrategiesSelecting BMPs and Determining Load Reductions |
| 12:00–1:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00–3:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Developing Implementation Strategies to Get Environmental ResultsGroup Exercise: Putting the Pieces Together for ImplementationIdentify Needs for Support and Follow-up |
| 3:00 | Adjourn |

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