

2013 National Nonpoint Source Monitoring Conference & Workshops

Working Together to Protect and Restore Our Water Resources



October 28-30, 2013 • Wyndham Cleveland at Playhouse Square • Cleveland, Ohio

Call for Papers

The Nonpoint Source (NPS) Monitoring Workshop is an important forum for sharing information and communicating ways to control and track NPS pollution at its source and in receiving waterbodies. The focus of the 21st Annual NPS Monitoring Workshop is holistic and inclusive approaches to assessing and solving problems in watersheds largely impacted by nonpoint sources of pollution. Integration of resources and skills from the private and public sectors will be emphasized, with a number of sessions devoted to bringing together individuals from a wide range of backgrounds including science, engineering, business, public policy, education, and community groups. Project examples from the Great Lakes Region will be coupled with specific technical and programmatic sessions to help individuals better understand the full range of resources and skills that can be pooled together to solve our Nation's water quality problems at the local and watershed levels.

This event will bring together NPS monitoring and management personnel from state, federal, Tribal and municipal governments, the private sector, academia, environmental groups, and local watershed organizations to provide examples of lessons learned from completed NPS projects, demonstrations of new technologies and monitoring approaches, and documentation of successful application of NPS control practices, measures, programs, and policies.

Technical workshops and interactive learning sessions will be offered to build knowledge and skills, transfer technology, and promote innovative monitoring and evaluation techniques. Field tours will be offered in both agricultural and urban settings. Please visit the conference website (www.tetrattech-ffx.com/nps_monitoring/) for details on the conference agenda and registration information.

Specific topics of interest highlighted at the 21st annual workshop will include:

- Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) success stories
- National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI)/Mississippi River Basin Initiative (MRBI)
- Successful green infrastructure and low impact development projects
- Building partnerships to achieve nonpoint source success
- Assessing and addressing the causes of harmful algal blooms/Lake Erie issues
- Quantitative versus qualitative monitoring approaches: a choice or a combination?
- Using biomonitoring to target problem areas and document project achievements
- Lessons learned in conducting NPS improvement projects: science, engineering, policy, programs, public involvement
- Quantifying, managing, and monitoring sediment sources
- Successful watershed stewardship and volunteer monitoring programs
- Successful ecosystem restoration projects
- Sharing information on innovative implementation approaches

Submit a Paper

We are seeking enthusiastic individuals interested in sharing their experiences and lessons learned. Submit the following information in Word format by **Friday, May 3, 2013** to Liz Hiatt, Workshop Coordinator, by email: liz.hiatt@tetrattech.com.

- Name of Author/Presenter
- Organization
- Address, City, State, Zip
- Telephone
- Email Address
- Title of Presentation
- Abstract (500 words max)
- Speaker Biography (300 words max)
- Keywords
- Special Audio/Visual Equipment Needs

Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by July 5, 2013. Successful applicants are required to provide completed presentations by October 4, 2013. Oral presentations are limited to 20 minutes. All speakers must register in advance for the conference; discounted early registration fees will apply.

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