



2009 Freshwater Spills Symposium

Hosted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

April 28-30, 2009 Short Courses on April 27, 2009 Accommodations: Millennium Hotel

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Web site: http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/fss/fss09/index.htm

Background on the Symposium

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to host the seventh Freshwater Spills Symposium (FSS) in St. Louis, Missouri, April 28-30, 2009. Participants can register for the **FREE** Symposium and short courses, taking place on Monday, April 27, 2009, at the FSS Web site. Since 1996, the biennial Symposium has offered local, state, federal, and industry responders; natural resource trustees and managers; facility response planners; and other stakeholders an opportunity to share their knowledge and experience on the unique problems presented by freshwater oil spills. FSS 2009 will focus on planning, prevention, and response issues specific to freshwater spills, including the topic of preparedness and response to oil spills resulting from natural disasters. The Symposium will also continue to emphasize the frequently understated impact of oil spills in inland water bodies. These spills have a higher potential for public and environmental endangerment because of their tendency to occur close to populated or biologically sensitive areas where they can threaten resources we value and depend upon, such as drinking water, wildlife, and environmentally sensitive areas.

Freshwater Spills Symposium Register Now!

Symposium

Tuesday—Thursday April 28—30, 2009 The Symposium will begin on Tuesday with a full morning Plenary Session. From Tuesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon, symposium breakout sessions will take place featuring numerous experts discussing a vast number of freshwater oil spill topics.

Register for EPA's Freshwater Spills Symposium at: http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/fss/fss09/index.htm

New Topics Being Presented at FSS 2009

Biofuel Spills, 2006 & 2008 SPCC Rule Amendments, Freshwater Response Using Airboats, New Case Studies, Booming Strategies, Joint Communications—Incident Command Systems, Area Planning

NEW Panels: Waters of the United States: Impact of SWANCC and Rapanos Decisions by EPA's Office of Water, SPCC and FRP "Stump the Regulator"—a Q&A Session

Short Courses

Monday April 27, 2009 Register early for the **FREE** short courses to reserve your spot. In 2006, our classes filled to maximum capacity quickly:

2009 Freshwater Spill Short Courses:

- Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique (SCAT)
- Essential Elements of Oiled Wildlife Response: The First 48 Hours
- 2006/2008 Spill, Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Rule (40 CFR 112)
- EPA/Coast Guard Freshwater Booming Strategies

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Location

Millennium Hotel St Louis

www.millenniumhotels.com 200 S 4th St St Louis, MO 63102-1804 314-241-9500

Sleeping rooms are available at a special discounted rate of \$111.00 for FSS participants if you register by April 10, 2009. If you make reservations over the phone, please mention the EPA Freshwater Spills Symposium. You can also make reservations online at: https://reservations.synxis.com/lbE/rez.aspx?Hotel=11544&Chain=5303&lang=1&group=0904USAEPA&arrive=04/26/2009&depart=05/01/2009 or

http://www.epa.gov/emergencies/content/fss/fss09/index.htm

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Great Lakes Commission

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For more information on attending the 2009 FSS contact: