## **Water Quality Conference**

## Science ~ Law ~ Permitting ~ Public Policy

Strategies to Protect Clean Water

Civil and Criminal Enforcement & Third Party Litigation

NPDES Stormwater Permit Updates

Source Evaluation & Control

Treatment and Best Management Practices

Water Quality Standards

Determining Toxicity Using the Biotic Ligand Model

Pesticides, Copper, Ammonia, Arsenic, Selenium

And More

**April 11, 2014** 

World Trade Center Two
Portland Oregon

8:30-9:00 Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 Welcome, Introductions and Program Overview

Holly Duncan

Environmental Law Education Center

## **BIG PICTURE ISSUES AND THE ROAD AHEAD**

9:00-9:30 What Are the Biggest Threats to Clean Water in Oregon?

- Regulatory, Technical, Legal and Practical Strategies to Protect Water Quality
- Searching for New Solutions

Ken Williamson, PhD

Regulatory Affairs Department Director, Clean Water Services Emeritus Professor, School of Chemical, Biological & Environmental Engineering Oregon State University

### 9:30-10:00 The Road Ahead – Protecting Water Quality

- Regulatory Programs, Policies and Priorities for Protecting Water Quality in Oregon
- DEQ Reorganization: What Does It Mean for Water Policy and Regulation?

#### Jennifer Wigal

Water Quality Program Manager

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

### 10:00-10:30 Integrated Water Management - One Water Paradigm

- A Retrospection and Trajectory for the Future to the One Water Paradigm
- Integrated Urban Water Management: Stormwater, Wastewater & Drinking Water

#### Diane Taniguchi-Dennis

Deputy General Manager

Clean Water Services

### 10:30-11:00 Break

### **ENFORCEMENT AND LITIGATION**

## 11:00-12:00 Protecting Water Quality through Enforcement and Third Party Litigation

- Are Civil and Criminal Enforcement Actions Successful in Achieving Compliance?
- What Are Effective Strategies to Defend and Resolve Enforcement Actions?
- Is Third Party Litigation an Effective Tool for Clean Water Act Violations?

#### PRESENTATIONS AND PANEL DISCUSSION:

Leah Feldon, Compliance and Enforcement Manager Oregon Department of Environmental Quality Allison LaPlante, Staff Attorney and Clinical Professor Earthrise Law Center, Lewis & Clark Law School Chris Rich, Perkins Coie LLP Laura Maffei, Cable Huston LLP

12:00-1:00 LUNCH (Provided)

## STORMWATER PERMITTING & SOURCE CONTROL

## 1:00-1:30 Stormwater Management and Permitting – Latest Developments

- NPDES Stormwater Permit Updates and Priorities
- Addressing Tier II Corrective Action & Required Stormwater Discharge Monitoring
- Developing General Permit for Phase II Small Municipalities

#### Erich Brandstetter, PhD

Stormwater Program Coordinator
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

## 1:30-2:00 Source Evaluation and Control: An Integrated Approach to Controlling Contaminants in Stormwater

- Evaluating an Entire Range of Contaminant Pathways and Reducing Contaminant Sources
- Controlling Stormwater Sources: Selecting Effective Options and Measuring Effectiveness

\*Warren Hansen, PE

Windward Environmental LLC

## 2:00-2:30 Source Control and Treatment Options: Strategies to Reduce Contaminants in Stormwater

- Steps to Achieve Compliance with Benchmarks
- Case studies: Using Source Control and Treatment Best Management Practices

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Regional Stormwater Program Manager Sound Earth Strategies, Inc.

#### 2:30-3:00 Break

# HOT TOPICS: STANDARDS, PESTICIDES, AMMONIA, METALS, COPPER AND THE BIOTIC LIGAND MODEL

### 3:00-3:30 Water Quality Standards for Toxic Pollutants – Latest developments

- Updates: Pesticides, Selenium, Ammonia, Copper, Aluminum and Cadmium and More
- EPA's Latest Ammonia Criteria vs Oregon's Current Criteria
- Developing Copper Criteria Using EPA's Biotic Ligand Model

\*Andrea Matzke, Water Quality Standards Specialist Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

## 3:30-4:00 Legal Developments and Primary Implementation Issues for Water Quality Standards

- The Endangered Species Act's Increasing Role in Establishing Water Quality Standards
- Legal Issues Associated with the Copper Biotic Ligand Model
- Establishing Standards for Naturally Occurring Pollutants

Michael Campbell

Stoel Rives LLP

## 4:00-4:30 New Methods for Developing Water Quality Criteria

- The Scientific Basis of the Biotic Ligand Model
- Alternatives for Application of the Biotic Ligand Model
- Successful Case studies

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