

2014 Oregon Environmental Cleanup Conference

Law - Science - Technical Strategies - Public Policies

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CERCLA, OPA, RCRA, CWA
State Cleanup Law, NPDES Permits
Liability
Contribution, Cost Recovery & Apportionment
Site Assessment & Brownfield Redevelopment
Ecological Risk Assessment
Source Control
Portland Harbor
And More

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September 12, 2014
World Trade Center
Portland Oregon

8:30-9:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 Welcome, Introductions and Conference Kick-Off
Holly Duncan
Environmental Law Education Center

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP

9:00-10:00 Important Policies & Technical Issues

- Goals for Cleanup Program Improvements - Main Issues
- How Can We Make the Cleanup Process Work better?
- Technical Workgroup, Advisory Committee and Possible Legislation
- Ecological Risk Assessments --- Transparency and Better Guidance

Annette Dietz, PhD
Environmental Cleanup Coordinator
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
&
Julie Wilson, PhD
Sr. Environmental Scientist
Hart Crowser

10:00-10:30 BREAK

LEGAL AND TECHNICAL HOT TOPICS

10:30-11:00 Liability for Cleanup and Cost Recovery

- Recent Legal Developments under CERCLA, OPA and RCRA
- Cost Recovery, Contribution, Apportionment and Injunctive Relief Claims
- Implications of Supreme Court's ruling in *CTS Corp. v. Waldburger*

David Ashton

Assistant General Counsel

Port of Portland

11:00-12:00 Practical Advice and Emerging Issues

- Tools for Improved Assessment and Cost Recovery
- Legal Approaches for Site Closure and Redevelopment
- Emerging Contaminants

David Rabbino

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James G.D. Peale, RG, LHG

Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc.

12:00-1:00 LUNCH (Provided)

SITE ASSESSMENT & BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT

1:00-1:30 Environmental Cleanup in the Regions - Increasing Cleanup and Redevelopment

- DEQ Cleanup Program Priorities
- Initiated Site Assessment Work and its Relationship to Brownfields
- Future Cleanup Options and Next Steps

Keith Johnson, Manager Northwest Region

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

1:30-2:00 Brownfields - Assessing the Impact of Contaminated Properties on Economic Development and Regional Land Supply

- Metro Regional Brownfields Scoping & Portland Brownfield Assessment Reports
- Evaluation of Statewide Assistance Programs
- Impact of Contaminated Properties & Policy Recommendations

Seth Otto, AICP, LEED AP

Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc

2:00-2:30 BREAK

PORTLAND HARBOR

2:30-3:00 Latest Developments at Portland Harbor Superfund Site

- EPA Perspectives
- CERCLA - Moving Toward the Record of Decision

Lori Cohen

*Associate Director, Office of Environmental Cleanup
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10*

3:00-3:30 Oregon DEQ's Perspectives on Portland Harbor

- State ARARs including Hot Spots
- Downtown Reach
- State Concurrence on Proposed Plan
- Source Control Updates
- New Initiatives with EPA

Kevin Parrett, PhD

*Manager, Northwest Region Cleanup and Leaking USTs
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality*

3:30-4:00 Latest Developments in Finalizing the Portland Harbor RI/FS

- Latest Technical Evaluation and Issues
- Next Steps for Completing the LWG's Work at the Site

Robert Wyatt, R.G. Northwest Natural

*Chair, Lower Willamette Group
&*

James McKenna, Verdant Solutions, LLC

Senior Project Manager, Lower Willamette Group

4:00-4:30 Citizen Involvement in Portland Harbor Superfund Process

- Concerns and Priorities of the Community
- Removal vs. Treatment vs. Sequestering
- Short Term vs. Long Term Concerns
- Current vs. Potential Uses

Jim Robison, Chair

Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group

4:30-5:00 Future of the Portland Harbor

PANEL DISCUSSION:

David Ashton, Port of Portland

Robert Wyatt, Northwest Natural

James Robison, Portland Harbor CAG

Kevin Parrett, Oregon DEQ

Lori Cohen, US EPA