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NAGPRA/NPI Trainings for 2010 (Scholarships Available)

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 27 Jan 2010 10:26:44 GMT)
NAGPRA: Determining Cultural Affiliation
Date: March 22, 2010
Location: Providence, RI
or
Date: October 4, 2010
Location: Phoenix, AZ
NAGPRA: Summaries, Inventories and Federal Register Notices
Date: March 23, 2010
Location: Providence, RI
or
Date: October 5, 2010
Location: Phoenix, AZ
NAGPRA: Writing and Managing a Successful Grant
Date: March 24-25, 2010
Location: Providence, RI
or
Date: October 6-7, 2010
Location: Phoenix, AZ
For additional information please visit http://www.nps.gov/history/nagpra/TRAINING/INDEX.htm.

Border Institute X, March 8-10, Rio Rico, AZ

by NAEPC (Posted Tue, 26 Jan 2010 16:28:08 GMT)
The U.S.-Mexican Border and a Sustainable Environment in 2030
Location: Rio Rico, Arizona
Date: March 8 - March 10, 2010
"BI-X will convene a diverse group of stakeholders from the border region. This extensive collaboration will include members and staff from federal, tribal, state, and local governments; border-subject experts; business representatives; decision makers, leaders, and planners from border communities; and others. The meeting will be limited to 100 participants to facilitate the active participation by all those present. Simultaneous interpretation services will be provided.
This year, the participant group will be challenged to evaluate changes in border environmental quality over the past decade and to suggest policies and actions for a road map for a sustainable region in 2030. Conference sessions and breakout discussions will focus on assessing the state of the border environment, measuring challenges to sustainability, and identifying specific solutions and policy options to move the border toward environmental sustainability. Please review the draft agenda for further details." http://scerp.org/bi/BI_X/agenda.asp
Additional information including registration is available on the SCERP website at http://www.scerp.org/

40-Hour HAZWOPER

by NAEPC (Posted Tue, 26 Jan 2010 16:33:37 GMT)
Please join NAEPC and The Pauma Band of Luiseño Indians March 29th – April 2nd for a 40-Hour HAZWOPER Training Course instructed by the local Construction Teamsters Training School.
Information about the 40-Hour Basic Hazardous Waste Worker Course (Teamsters):
"OSHA requires this course for workers on hazardous waste sites. The course includes classroom learning and realistic hands-on activities. Workers practice remediation and decontamination activities while wearing the proper respirator and protective clothing. Upon successful completion of this course, each worker receives a "40-Hour Card" that certifies the worker to do hazardous waste work for 12 months, at which time OSHA requires the worker to take a Refresher Course."
Who Should Attend: Tribal EPA Departments, Transfer Station Employees, Tribal Fire Departments or Emergency Responders, Others who work in professions that may deal with Hazardous Materials or Hazardous Materials Incidents.
Please be advised this is a Tribal Training Event and is only open to Tribal Employees, Tribal Community Members, and Organizations that work within the Tribal Community.
For additional information and registration please visit www.naepc.com.

8-Hour HAZWOPER Refresher

by NAEPC (Posted Tue, 26 Jan 2010 16:32:09 GMT)
Date: February 11, 2010
Location: NAEPC Office, Temecula, CA
8-Hour Hazardous Waste Refresher Course: This class is the annual refresher course that is required by OSHA for hazardous waste workers or others carrying a current 40-Hour HAZWOPER card. The course will provide an overview of materials from the 40-Hour HAZWOPER as well as new updates and any regulatory changes which have occurred in the past year. Please visit the Registration page for additional details.
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2010 Healthy People Conference

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 27 Jan 2010 14:51:15 GMT)
Date: March 9-10, 2010
Location: Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA
Speaker:Felicia Hodge, DrPH
Session 4-A: Wednesday, March 10, 3:45 – 5:00 p.m.
"Professor, Primary Care Nursing; Director, Center for American Indian/Indigenous Research and Education (CAIRE); Chair, American Indian Studies – IDP, University of California Los Angeles. Diabetes Prevention and Health Promotion in American Indian Communities"
Speaker: Delight E. Satter, MPH
Session 4-A: Wednesday, March 10, 3:45 – 5:00 p.m.
"Research Scientist, Center for Health Policy Research; Director, American Indian Research Program, University of California Los Angeles. Diabetes Prevention and Health Promotion in American Indian Communities"
For additional information and registration information, please visit: http://www.llu.edu/public-health/cpe/he ... index.page

Save the Date! TEHC Meeting - February 18,2010

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 05 Feb 2010 11:33:51 GMT)
When: Thursday, February 18, 2010
Where: Pala Casino Resort & Spa
Sycamore Room 11
35008 Pala Temecula Road
Pala, CA 92059
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm – Tribal Participants
12:00pm-1:00pm - Lunch
1:00pm-3:00pm – Guests (please come for lunch)
Mileage reimbursements will be available. Please RSVP with NAEPC by emailing naepc@naepc.com.
Please be advised this is a Collaboration Event and is only open to Tribal Employees, Tribal Community Members, and Organizations that work within the Tribal Community.

EPA, Draft Documents Related to Air Quality...[01/26/2010]

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 27 Jan 2010 10:18:31 GMT)
Release of Draft Documents Related to the Review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter
AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
ACTION: Availability of draft documents for public comment.
"SUMMARY: On or about January 19, 2010, the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) of EPA is making available for public comment a draft assessment document titled, Particulate Matter Urban-ocused Visibility Assessment--Second External Review Draft.
On or about January 29, 2010, OAQPS is making available for public comment a second draft assessment document titled, Quantitative Health Risk Assessment for Particulate Matter--Second External Review Draft. These two draft assessment documents describe the quantitative analyses that are being conducted as part of the review of the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for particulate matter (PM)....."
For full text to notice please visit: http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/2010-1464.htm
Comments due by 03/15/2010: http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/ ... 6480a83d95

North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants - Due 03/05

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 12:21:30 GMT)
Deadlines:
U.S. Standard Grants - March 5, and July 30, 2010.
Canadian Standard - January 5, 2011.
Mexican Standard Grants - June 2, 2010.
U.S. Small Grants - October 28, 2010.
Purpose: "The North American Wetlands Conservation Act (Act, or NAWCA) of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico for the benefit of wetlands -associated migratory birds and other wildlife."
For additional information visit http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/index.shtm

Workshop on Public Health Emergency Legal Preparedness~2/16

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 09:38:27 GMT)
Title: High-Priority Tools for Public Health Emergency Legal Preparedness
Date: February 16, 2010
Location: Atlanta, GA
Summary: NACCHO, ASTHO, and the CDC Public Health Law Program are co-sponsoring the workshop "High-Priority Tools for Public Health Emergency Legal Preparedness," 8:00-3:00, February 16, as part of the 2010 annual Public Health Preparedness Summit in Atlanta. The workshop will feature tools local, state, and Tribal public health practitioners can use to improve use of their public health laws to address influenza outbreaks and other, all-hazards public health emergencies.
For additional information and registration please visit: http://www.phprep.org/2010/agenda/Pre-C ... hops_1.cfm.

EPA's Budget Proposal Provides Increased Funding for Tribes

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 05 Feb 2010 12:01:35 GMT)
EPA's Budget Proposal Provides Millions in Increased Environmental Protection for Tribal Nations throughout U.S. Release date: 02/04/2010
Summary: $41 million proposed increase from Fiscal Year 2010
"SAN FRANCISCO - The Obama Administration this week proposed a budget of $10 billion for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This budget heeds the president's call to streamline and find efficiencies in the Agency's operations while supporting the seven priority areas EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson outlined to guide EPA's work. Increases in the proposed budget for tribal nations will be vital in helping EPA address a key priority -- building strong state and tribal partnerships."
Please visit the following site for full press release: http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.ns ... C000636AAE

CA DPR Surface Water Regulation Workshops

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 03 Feb 2010 10:42:35 GMT)
Information on the CA Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) surface water regulatory concepts will be presented at four public workshops. Please note the same information will be presented at each of the workshops.
February 11th
March 26th
April 28th
May 11th
Location: Sacramento, CA
Link to workshop documents: http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/emon/surfwtr/regulatory.htm.

Tribal Grant Writing Workshop: March 16-18, 2010

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 05 Feb 2010 11:30:00 GMT)
Free Tribal Environmental Grant Writing Workshop Sponsored by the US EPA Region 9, US FWS Mid-Pacific Region, USFWS Region 8, and other agencies.
Date: March 16-18, 2010
Location: USBR Mid Pacific Region Headquarters, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825
Eligibility: Representatives of any federally-recognized Native American or Alaskan Native Tribal Government (limited to one representative per Tribe)
Registration: To make reservations or for more information please contact Josh Simmons at jsimmons@santaynezchumash.org or (805) 245-9922.

California Water Rights Newsletter

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 07:28:29 GMT)
The State of California Water Resources Control Board has started a new monthly newsletter as a means of communicating to Californians about water rights. Topics in the January 2010 newsletter include:
*New Penalties for Water Diversion and Use Report Violations
*Online Water Use Reporting
*New Funding for Investigations
The January 2010 newsletter and subscription information may be found at the following site:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrigh ... ndex.shtml

Upcoming Border Group Meetings - Save the Date!

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 11:06:03 GMT)
California Border Environmental Enforcement Task Force Meeting
Date: March 10, 2010
Location: San Diego, CA
California/Baja California Border 2012 Waste & Enforcement Meeting
Date: March 11, 2010
Location: TBD
Additional information will be posted at a later date.

25th Annual BioCycle West Coast Conference ~ April 12-15, 20

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 11:33:35 GMT)
Date: April 12-15, 2010
Location: Town & Country Resort; San Diego, CA
Summary: "The 2010 BioCycle West Coast Conference will bring together project managers, policy makers, planners, researchers, solid waste and recycling coordinators, industry plant managers, consultants, and other waste and wastewater management professionals who want to know about the latest industry trends and tools in waste diversion, composting, organics recycling and renewable energy."
For additional information visit http://www.jgpress.com/bcwc25/index.html.

Communities Creating Healthy Environments - Due 02/25/2010

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 11:30:28 GMT)
The Communities Creating Healthy Environmentsgrant initiative is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to "support community organizing and policy advocacy to increase access to healthy food and safe places to play in communities of color. CCHE will provide funding and technical assistance for up to ten local community organizing groups and
indigenous nations with grants of up to $250,000 over three years. Youth led organizing groups in communities of color are strongly encouraged to apply."
For additional information please visit http://ccheonline.org/.

Rulemaking Underway Related to Disclosure of All Pesticide..

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 12:06:34 GMT)
Rulemaking Underway Related to Disclosure of All Pesticide Ingredients
"EPA is seeking comment on options for increasing public disclosure of all inert ingredients in pesticides registered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). EPA's Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) published in the Federal Register on December 23, 2009, and is available in the Public Docket (docket ID EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0635)." (20 January 2010)"
Additional information: http://www.epa.gov/opprd001/inerts/index.htm
Comments due by 02/22/2010: http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/ ... 6480a706af

Tribal Basic Inspector Course

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 05 Feb 2010 15:01:14 GMT)
Date: April 13 - 16, 2010
Location: Lakewood, CO
Summary:3-day introductory course is designed for new tribal environmental inspectors, and meets the training requirement under EPA Order 3500.1. The course provides an overview of all aspects of inspection preparation, conduct, and follow-up. The course also introduces various federal environmental laws and regulations.
Registration and additional information: https://www.netionline.com/course/Cours ... ewScreen=N

DOI, NIGC - Draft NEPA Procedures Manual [01/22/2010]

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 10:25:48 GMT)
Department of The Interior
Agency: National Indian Gaming Commission
Summary: Comment period for Draft NEPA Procedures Manual published in the Federal Register on December 4, 2009 has been reopened from January 19, 2010, to March 4, 2010.
For full text please visit: http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/ ... 6480a81ffd

Environmental Health Funding Opportunity from CDC

by NAEPC (Posted Tue, 26 Jan 2010 16:21:56 GMT)
Description: "The EHS-Net Research opportunity seeks to improve the practice of environmental health service programs by establishing a network of environmental health specialists (EHS) who collaborate with epidemiologists and laboratorians to conduct research to identify and prevent environmental risk factors contributing to foodborne and/or waterborne illness."
Letter of Intent Receipt Date: February 12, 2010
For additional information on this opportunity, please visit: www.cdc.gov/nceh/ehs/EHSNet/default.htm

Pumps and Pumping Systems Training Course

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 27 Jan 2010 14:57:58 GMT)
Date: February 23-25, 2010
Location: Barona Resort and Casino, 1932 Wildcat Canyon Road,Lakeside, CA 92040
There is no fee to attend this training. Please contact Brian Lewelling, District Environmental Health Specialist at 760-735-6891 or brian.lewelling@ihs.gov for registration and additional information.

Tribal Transportation Working Group - March 17, 2010

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 11:38:33 GMT)
Date: March 17, 2010
Time: 10am - noon
Location: Barona Golf Events Center, hosted by Barona Band of Mission Indians
For additional information on this meeting, please contact the NAEPC Office.

CA DPR Releases Draft Annual Report of VOC Emissions

by NAEPC (Posted Wed, 03 Feb 2010 10:38:53 GMT)
The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) has released its Draft Annual Report on Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions from Pesticides for 1990-2008 for public comment.
For additional information and to review the draft report, please visit: http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/emon/vocs/v ... alysis.htm.
Comments due by: March 19, 2010

Ready or Not? 2009 Report Available

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 09:43:50 GMT)
Summary: The Trust for America's Health (TFAH) and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) released the 2009 annual "Ready or Not? Protecting the Public's Health from Diseases, Disasters, and Bioterrorism" report.
This report contains state-by-state health preparedness scores based on 10 key indicators to assess health emergency preparedness capabilities.
For additional information, please visit: http://healthyamericans.org/reports/bioterror09/

EPA Increases Transparency on Chemical Risk Information

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 13:39:04 GMT)
Released: January 21, 2010
"WASHINGTON — As part of Administrator Lisa P. Jackson's commitment to strengthen and reform chemical management, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today announced a new policy to increase the public's access to information on chemicals."
For full text of press release please visit: http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.ns ... enDocument

The National Health Security Strategy Report Available

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 09:42:26 GMT)
Summary: HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius released "The National Health Security Strategy," on January 7, 2010 which is the the nation's first comprehensive strategy focused on protecting people's health during a large-scale emergency.
Please visit the following site for additional informaiton and to download a copy of the report: http://www.hhs.gov/disasters.

2010 California Interagency Fire Prevention Conference

by NAEPC (Posted Thu, 21 Jan 2010 11:19:48 GMT)
The 2010 California Interagency Fire Prevention/Mitigation/Education Conference will he held May 4 - 6, 2010 at the Agua Caliente Resort in Rancho Mirage, CA.
For additional information, please visit http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/fire/management/prev_conf/.

CRS H1N1 Influenza Legal Issues Report Available...

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 09:40:22 GMT)
Summary: The Congress Research Service (CRS) has released a Report for Congress entitled, The 2009 Influenza Pandemic: Selected Legal Issues. The report provides a brief overview of legal issues including emergency measures, civil rights, liability issues, and employment issues.
To view the report, please visit http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R40560.pdf.

Tijuana/San Diego Emergency Preparedness Task Force Meeting

by NAEPC (Posted Tue, 26 Jan 2010 16:01:56 GMT)
Save the Date: Tijuana/San Diego Emergency Preparedness Task Force Meeting will be held on February 25, 2010 in San Diego, California. Additional information will be available at a later time.

CA Tribal Water Summit Notes Available

by NAEPC (Posted Fri, 22 Jan 2010 09:35:24 GMT)
Notes from the California Tribal Water Summit held November 4-5, 2009 are now available online at:
http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/tribal2/tws/index.cfm