

# ENVIRO SCHOOL FOR COMMUNITIES

A NEW FRONT-LOADING CONCEPT DEVELOPED BY THE 2008 DEQ LEADERSHIP TEAM

## Education + Meaningful Participation = Community Empowerment

The EnviroSchool for communities training program is a series of training sessions designed to educate communities and encourage meaningful participation in the regulatory process. The goal is for communities to become more informed and skilled on how to access and utilize regulatory information and resources.

## 2008-2009 TRAINING SESSIONS

| Month     | Topic  | Focus Areas  |
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| May       | <b>DEQ 101: Understanding the Agency</b>                                     | <b>Mission; Vision; Offices; Challenges; Opportunities; New Initiatives</b>  |
| June      | Public Participation 101:<br>Understanding the Process                       | Public Involvement; Policy That Governs; Public Notices; Public Comments;<br>Public Meetings vs. Public Hearings; Where to Find Public Notices; How to<br>Receive Public Notices; Making Effective Comments  |
| July      | <b>Access 101: Navigating DEQ</b>  | <b>EDMS-Electronic Document Management System; Locating Your Facility-AI<br/>Numbers; Retrieving Information; How to Make a Public Records Request;<br/>Public Notices</b>   |
| August    | Environmental Regulations 101:<br>A Broad Overview                           | What Environmental Regulations Are Designed to Do; State and Federal<br>Environmental Regulations; How They Govern DEQ Processes and Procedures;<br>Accessing Regulations; How Regulations Are Set; How They Are Implemented;<br>How Meeting These Standards Protect Human Health and the Environment        |
| September | <b>Permits 101: Understanding the<br/>Types &amp; Components of a Permit</b> | <b>What Permits Are; What Permits Are Designed to Do; Statement of Basis;<br/>Emissions Inventory Questionnaires (EIQs); Certifications; Permit Types:<br/>General, Individual, Major, Minor; Modifications; Variances; Order to Upgrade;<br/>Environmental Assessment Statement (EAS)</b>                   |
| October   | Air Permits 101:<br>Understanding the Process                                | Program Mission; Major Regulations That Govern; Flowchart of Permit Stages;<br>Who Needs a Permit; Community Involvement in the Process  |
| November  | <b>Air Permits 101:<br/>Understanding the Types of Permits</b>               | <b>Permit Types and Examples; Major, Minor, Title V Part 70, Synthetic Minor;<br/>Major Differences</b>  |
| December  | Air Quality 101: Understanding Emissions                                     | Fact Based Decision Making; Defining Air Toxics; Toxic Air Pollutants-TEDI-Toxic<br>Emissions Data Inventory; Defining Criteria Pollutants-EI-Emissions Inventory;<br>TRI-Toxic Release Inventory; Monitoring Locations; Monitoring Techniques;<br>Emissions Monitored; Monitoring Equipment; Accessing Data |
| January   | <b>Air Quality 101: Nonattainment &amp; You</b>                              | <b>Defining Attainment and Non-attainment; Identifying the Areas; How it Affects<br/>the Regulatory Standards &amp; Permitting; How New Standards Impact Louisiana</b>   |
| February  | Water Permits 101:<br>Understanding the Process                              | Program Mission; Major Regulations That Govern; Flowchart of Permit Stages;<br>Permit Types and Examples; Community Involvement in the Process; Who Needs<br>a Permit  |
| March     | <b>Water Quality 101:<br/>Understanding Water Quality Issues</b>             | <b>Water Quality Assessment and Standards; TMDLs-Total Maximum Daily Loads;<br/>Drinking Water Protection; Non-point Source; Fish Advisories</b>   |
| April     | Waste Permits 101:<br>Understanding the Process                              | Program Mission; Major Regulations That Govern; Flowchart of Permit Stages;<br>Community Involvement in the Process; Who Needs a Permit  |
| May       | <b>Waste Permits 101:<br/>Understanding the types of permits</b>             | <b>Permit Types and Examples; Type I, Type II, Type III Landfills; What are the<br/>Differences; Types of Waste Accepted</b>   |
| June      | Surveillance & Emergency Response 101:<br>How the Process Works              | Surveillance Process Procedures; Facility Inspections; Emergency Response;<br>SPOC; LDEQ Role in Emergencies; Complaint and Spill Reporting; Facility<br>Reporting Rules; Community Involvement  |
| July      | <b>Enforcement 101: How the Process Works</b>                                | <b>Enforcement Process; Relationship with Surveillance-Enforcement Referrals;<br/>Enforcement Actions (Types); Beneficial Environmental Projects (BEPS)</b>  |
| August    | RECAP 101:<br>Understanding Remediation Standards                            | Defining Remediation; Defining RECAP; Understanding Screening<br>Standards-Risk Based Standards; Clean-up Options and Alternatives   |

\*Tentative training schedule subject to change. Please check website for updates.

## Training sessions will be held throughout the state at the DEQ Regional Offices:

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| <b>Baton Rouge</b>  | <b>10 AM First Thursday</b>  | 602 North 5th Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802                  |
| <b>New Orleans</b>  | <b>10 AM Second Thursday</b> | 201 Evans Road, Building 4, Suite 420 New Orleans, LA 70123 |
| <b>Lake Charles</b> | <b>10 AM Third Thursday</b>  | 1301 Gadwall Street Lake Charles, LA 70615                  |
| <b>Shreveport</b>   | <b>10 AM Fourth Thursday</b> | 1525 Fairfield, Shreveport, LA 71101                        |

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