

Theme: Let's Keep It Clean: Exploring A Collaborative Approach to Groundwater Protection

Description: The 2011 Groundwater Foundation Conference will offer participants the knowledge and tools needed to build a far-reaching, collaborative groundwater protection strategy. One that when implemented truly makes a difference in protecting groundwater for future generations.

The 2011 conference will be more than lectures in a hotel conference room, it will include field-based tours to showcase innovative solutions and programs that have been developed and implemented in the state. Presentations should focus on the knowledge, technology, and practices that can assist communities in local groundwater protection.

Date: October 4-6, 2011

Location: Omaha, Nebraska

Questions: If you have questions or need further information contact the conference chair, Cindy Kreifels at the Groundwater Foundation at 402-434-2740 ext. 103 or email ckreifels@groundwater.org.

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LET'S KEEP IT CLEAN

**CALL FOR
PRESENTATIONS**
Groundwater Foundation
National Conference and
2011 Groundwater Guardian and
Green Site Designation Celebration
October 4-5-6, 2011 ~ Omaha, Nebraska



The 2011 Groundwater Foundation Conference is co-sponsored by Valmont Industries, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, and Water Research Foundation.

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

Abstracts are now being accepted for The Groundwater Foundation's 2011 National Conference. Anyone interested in making a presentation at this year's conference should submit a 250 word abstract for review. No product sales/services pitches please. (See Call for Exhibitors section.) Presentation formats include 25 minute classroom presentations, plenary speakers, field trip presentations, bus presentations, and poster sessions.

Potential Topics:

RURAL AND URBAN

PARTNERSHIP CASE STUDIES

- Zoning in urban/rural communities
- Acreage development
- Best agricultural management practices
- Golf course and recreation turf management
- Education initiatives

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Public education – challenges and solutions
- Consensus building at the local level
- Community role models
- Green planning

CONTAMINATION CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

- Nitrates
- Perchlorate
- Acid mine drainage
- Carbon sequestration
- Hydraulic fracturing
- Hexavalent chromium
- Other contaminants

LAND-USE PLANNING

- Wellhead or source water protection innovation
- Nutrient and water management
- Erosion and flood controls
- Point and nonpoint source pollution prevention
- Collaborative water protection strategies
- Education initiatives

Instructions for Contributors:

- Submit a 250 word abstract by May 1, 2011.
- Include a title for the proposed presentation at the top of the abstract and the name, title, affiliation of the speaker(s), and indicate the preferred format for the presentation.
- At the bottom of the abstract, please include the mailing address, telephone, fax, and email of the speaker(s).
- Submit the original abstract to The Groundwater Foundation, P O Box 22558, Lincoln, NE 68542-2558; fax to 402-434-2742; or email ckreifels@groundwater.org .



SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2011

- Pick up conference participants in Omaha for field-based tours.
- Networking Dinner

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011

- Presentations
- Groundwater Guardian and Groundwater Guardian Green Site Designation Ceremony and Dinner

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011

- Field-based tours
- Lunch and return to drop off point in Omaha.

Responsibilities:

If your presentation is accepted, you will be responsible for all fees including conference registration fees, travel, and hotel. Registration will include conference materials, proceedings, and six meals. The speaker registration fee will be at the reduced rate of approximately \$200 (regular registration cost \$350). Each presenter will be required to submit a written manuscript by September 1, 2011 which will be published on CD-ROM. The abstract you submit must accurately reflect your conference presentation.

Abstract Deadline: May 1, 2011

- MAIL TO: The Groundwater Foundation , 2011 Conference, P O Box 22558, Lincoln, NE 68542-2558
- FAX TO: 402-434-2742
- EMAIL to: ckreifels@groundwater.org
- Presenters will be selected and notified by May 31, 2011

CALL FOR EXHIBITORS

Are you interested in reaching a diverse audience with your groundwater protection tools? The 2011 Groundwater Foundation National Conference is an excellent opportunity to interact with conference participants throughout the conference.

Any entity interested in a display space (\$450 includes one draped and skirted table and one conference registration) may contact Cindy at 402-434-2740 Ext. 103 or ckreifels@groundwater.org.

HURRY! DISPLAY SPACE IS LIMITED.

LOGISTICS AND TRAVEL

The conference will be held October 4-6, 2011 at the Omaha Marriott, 10220 Regency Circle in Omaha, Nebraska. The special room rate of \$109 single or double plus tax will be available until September 13th for conference participants. Call the hotel directly at 402-399-9000 or 800-228-9290 and identify yourself as part of the Groundwater Foundation block to receive the discounted rate. A limited number of rooms are available at this rate, so please act soon.

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