



# Call for Abstracts

## 2009 Conference on Design and Construction Issues at Hazardous Waste Sites



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April 13-15, 2009

Loews Philadelphia Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) invite you to submit an abstract for consideration for the 2009 Conference on Design and Construction Issues at Hazardous Waste Sites, April 13 through 15, 2009 at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Abstracts can be submitted via email to the conference organizers at [DCHWS@cdm.com](mailto:DCHWS@cdm.com). Please electronically submit all abstracts by **November 14, 2008**.

The target audience includes representatives from government and the private sector who are involved with design and construction activities at hazardous waste sites.

### Conference Goals

- ◆ Facilitate information exchange among professionals from the private and public sectors regarding design and construction issues at hazardous waste sites (including effective methods, lessons learned, and application of technologies).
- ◆ Provide a forum for presentations describing current practices and approaches, management techniques, and field experiences in design and construction issues.
- ◆ Enhance communication networks and promote discussion among design and construction professionals.

### Conference Format

**Panel Sessions:** EPA and USACE anticipate having up to six panel sessions across the topic areas of project management, technology, lessons learned/case studies, and industry experience. Three to four panelists will be selected for each session. Each panelist should plan on preparing a 20-minute presentation (suggested format of 10 to 15 slides). Following the presentations, the audience will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss topics presented.

**New for 2009** **Open Discussion:** As a result of feedback and suggestions made after previous conferences, EPA and USACE will sponsor an informal discussion session on Monday evening, April 13, 2009, at the conference site. We invite your submission of potential discussion topics with a one paragraph description. If the topic is selected, you will be provided about 10 minutes to present the issue for follow-up discussion among conference attendees. Please use the "Open Discussion" topic recommendation form at the conference website to propose your topic for the evening discussion session (<https://superfund.usace.army.mil/2009DCHWS>).

### Abstract Topic Areas

#### **Project Management**

- ◆ Risk Management (cost, legal, schedule, scope, etc.)
- ◆ Trend Analysis
- ◆ Cost Accuracy/Uncertainties
- ◆ Contract Strategy

#### **Technology**

- ◆ Remediation Technologies
- ◆ Site Characterization
- ◆ Green Remediation

#### **Lessons Learned/Case Studies**

- ◆ Construction Management Experience
- ◆ Experiences with Specific Technologies and Technology Categories
- ◆ Project Management Challenges and Solutions
- ◆ Alternative Green Approaches
- ◆ Conservation and Recycling

#### **Industry Experience**

- ◆ Approach to Hazardous Waste Cleanup
- ◆ Project Management Challenges

## Abstract Guidelines

Abstracts and Biographies should be submitted on the Abstract Submission Form in Microsoft Word format via email to Sharon Budney at [DCHWS@cdm.com](mailto:DCHWS@cdm.com). You can download the Abstract Submittal Form at the conference website: <https://superfund.usace.army.mil/2009DCHWS>

- ◆ The abstract title must be 10 words or less, and the length of the abstract itself must not exceed 500 words.
- ◆ The description should include the central theme of the presentation, relevance to conference audience, and relevance to current issues in the design and construction field - particularly at hazardous waste sites.
- ◆ Abstracts with a strong commercial slant will be rejected.
- ◆ Panelist Biography - up to 50-word description should also be included for the panelist that provides professional background, expertise in topic category, and relevant presentation experience.

## Selection Process

It is EPA's and USACE's goal to have a balanced panel. Therefore, panelists will be selected from different sectors or organizations that complement each other and provide continuity among selected topics. Panelists will be selected based on:

- ◆ Abstracts that demonstrate the cross-cutting applicability of methods, technologies, or lessons learned relating to design and construction issues at hazardous waste sites
- ◆ Presentations that have current and topical relevance to the field as well as the audience
- ◆ Presentations that address the feasibility and ease of use at hazardous waste sites

### Dates to Remember

**November 14, 2008**  
**Abstracts and Open Discussion Topics Due**

**December 18, 2008**  
Abstract Selection Notification

**January 5, 2009**  
Registration Opens

**February 16, 2009**  
Presentations Due

## Professional Exhibits/Posters

Prepare a poster to share your company's or organization's experience on design and construction issues. It is recommended that poster topics align with the conference topics. Abstracts are not required for the Poster Presentation. Minimal marketing will be permitted in the exhibition area. Contact Sharon Budney at [DCHWS@cdm.com](mailto:DCHWS@cdm.com) or 732-590-4662 for additional information.

## Registration will open January 5, 2009

The conference is free, but registration will be required so we can plan adequately. Please go to <https://superfund.usace.army.mil/2009DCHWS> to register online after January 5, 2009.

## Questions

General questions regarding the conference or abstracts should be directed to Sharon Budney at [DCHWS@cdm.com](mailto:DCHWS@cdm.com) or 732-590-4662.

Questions regarding registration should be directed to Ric Hines at [eric.d.hines@usace.army.mil](mailto:eric.d.hines@usace.army.mil) or 402-697-2624.



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