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Top News

Celebrate Earth Day on April 22

Americans celebrate Earth Day on April 22 to recognize clean air, land, and water. You can make a difference on Earth Day by [reducing your environmental footprint](#), [purchasing products](#) that save money and reduce pollution, and by hosting educational events. To learn more about Earth Day, and for community event and activity ideas, check out EPA's [Earth Day](#) website. EPA also offers a variety of environmental and science-based lesson plans that can be used during Earth Day events or in local schools, that are available from EPA's website – [Lesson Plans, Teacher Guides and Online Environmental Resources for Educators](#).



*Think globally,
act locally*

Safer Choice Cleaning Products



Finding cleaning products that are safer for you, your family, and the environment should be easy — that's why EPA developed the [Safer Choice label](#). The Safer Choice label helps identify products made with safer chemical ingredients, without sacrificing quality or performance. When spring cleaning, look for the Safer Choice label, or check out EPA's [Safer Choice](#) website for a list of products that meet the standard.

Burn Wise Spring Cleaning Tip

Smoke from wood-burning fires can condense and stick to chimney walls, creating flammable creosote residue. Protect your home with a yearly inspection by a certified chimney sweep. Check out EPA's [Burn Wise Best Burn Practices](#) website for other wood-burning tips to reduce smoke — inside and outside your home.



*Clean chimneys
reduce smoke*

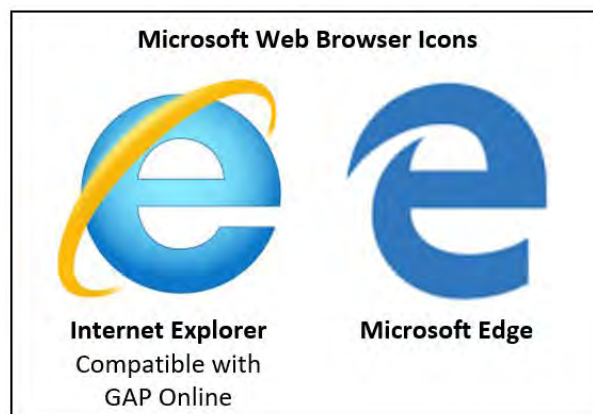
Pop Quiz

In 1970, why was the first Earth Day celebrated?
See the answer on page 12.

GAP Online Internet Browser Compatibility Issues

[GAP Online](#) is a web-based work plan and progress reporting system, used by [Indian Environmental General Assistance Program](#) grant recipients. The current version of **GAP Online version 2.3.5** is only compatible with **Internet Explorer 7 or higher**.

Internet Explorer's icon is light blue in color with a diagonal gold halo surrounding it, and is often confused with Microsoft Edge – which does not contain a halo. If you use Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, Firefox, Mozilla, Safari, or other internet browsers - they are not compatible with GAP Online version 2.3.5, and you may lose data that has been entered, even if it appears to have been saved.



If you recently purchased a PC-based computer or Microsoft Office software, Microsoft Edge will be the default web browser. To ensure that GAP Online functions properly when submitting or editing workplans or progress reports, you must download and use Internet Explorer.

If you are using a version of Internet Explorer higher than 7, you may encounter difficulties when entering and saving data due to a compatibility view issue. Thus, you must enable Compatibility View in your web browser by clicking on **Tools**, select **Compatibility View Settings**, and add the [GAP Online website](#).

An upgrade of GAP Online is in development. GAP Online version 3 will be compatible with all web browsers. But for now, Internet Explorer is the only functional option for submitting workplans and progress reports in GAP Online. If you have questions about GAP Online internet browser compatibility, please [contact your EPA Tribal Coordinator](#).

Waters of the U.S. State and Tribal Assessments

COMMENTS DUE: **April 15**.

EPA developed a *Draft Summary of Potential Effects to Current Clean Water Act Programs for Tribal Waters* in light of the EPA and the Army's rulemaking to revise the definition of "Waters of the United States" under the CWA. EPA drafted this assessment from existing publicly-available sources and EPA's in-house expertise, and would like tribal input on the draft document. To obtain a copy of the *Draft Summary of Potential Effects to Current Clean Water Act Programs for Tribal Waters*, please contact **Rose Kwok** at 202-566-0657 or by email at CWAwotus@epa.gov.

EPA welcomes corrections and additions, particularly about your tribe's water programs and relevant tribal codes. If you find errors and missing information, please supplement the information with additional content and citations. EPA intends this technical review to represent a co-regulator opportunity for engagement, so kindly limit the distribution of this draft document to tribal officials who have a need to know.

Comments and corrections should be emailed to CWAwotus@epa.gov by **April 15**. The summary document developed by EPA will ultimately become part of the proposed rulemaking docket and be made publicly-available.



Request for Comment –

Discharges via Direct Hydrologic Connection to Surface Water

END DATE: **May 21.**

In February, EPA issued a request for comment on how pollutants that are discharged into groundwater that flows through a direct connection into jurisdictional surface waters should be treated under the **Clean Water Act**.

Over the years, the courts, EPA, states, tribes, and local communities have addressed this type of pollutant source in different ways under the CWA. The Agency wants to hear from all stakeholders about a few key issues, including whether EPA should provide guidance or rulemaking, or should review and potentially clarify any previous Agency statements on the issue of how discharges from point sources that reach jurisdictional surface waters through groundwater is treated under the CWA and in the Agency's permitting program.

This input will help inform potential next steps that could provide clarity. The notice is published in the [Federal Register](#). To learn more about the Agency's interpretation of the CWA, check out EPA's [National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Industrial Wastewater](#) website.

National Tribal Water Council's New Website

The **National Tribal Water Council** recently launched a [new website](#) at <http://www.nau.edu/ntwc>. The website will contain NTWC's policy analysis on water-related policies that impact tribes, important water quality resources for tribes, and current water quality news.

The NTWC hopes that you will visit their website as it evolves to better meet the needs of all who are interested in clean and healthy water and healthy tribal communities.





**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Alaska Operations Office**

Alaska News

Vote for Alaska Representatives for NTAA's Executive Committee

BALLOTS DUE: April 20.

The [National Tribal Air Association's](#) mission is to advance air quality management and policies and programs, consistent with the needs, interests, and unique legal status of American Indian tribes and Alaskan Natives. Alaska has two vacancies on the NTAA Executive Committee - for primary and alternate seats.

The three candidates nominated for the two Alaska NTAA positions include:

- Shannon Isaacs from Craig Tribal Association,
- Mary Mullan from Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, and
- Ann Wyatt from Klawock Cooperative Association.

The candidate who receives the most votes will become the primary representative, and the candidate receiving the second most votes will become the alternate. One vote per tribe is allowed. [Ballots and candidate statements](#) are available online.

Alaska Tribal Air Quality Poster Contest

SUBMISSIONS DUE: May 4.

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Tribal Air Quality Program will be hosting its first Air Quality Poster Contest for grades 6-12. The theme is *Safe & Healthy Wood Burning in Alaska*. The goal is to raise youth awareness of good air quality practices, and encourage them to artistically express what healthy air quality looks like from their perspective.

Submissions must include the artist's name, age, community, and contact information. To submit artwork electronically, please upload a scanned image or photo of the original poster to [ANTHC's Tribal Air Quality Poster Contest](#) website. Or mail artwork to: ANTHC Tribal Air Quality Program, 4500 Diplomacy Drive, 4th Floor, Suite 420, Anchorage, AK 99508.

CONTACT: ANTHC Tribal Air Quality Program • 907-729-3430 • air@anthc.org



RTOC News



The Region 10 Regional Tribal Operations Committee is a partnership between EPA and elected tribal representatives to further tribal environmental objectives at the regional level, serve as a liaison between the EPA and tribes regarding information exchange, and provide assistance to the National Tribal Operations Committee.

2018 RTOC Excellence Award Nominations Due April 4

The RTOC Excellence Award recognizes outstanding contributions from tribal environmental staff or other environmental professionals who have demonstrated leadership in tribal environmental programs to enhance and improve environmental protection in Region 10.

Tribal environmental professionals, tribal programs, universities, or others who have supported environmental protection in Region 10 (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington) are eligible. The RTOC also encourages youth nominations, and individuals can self-nominate.

The award will be presented at the Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit Awards Ceremony in Worley, Idaho on **Friday, April 13**. The winner is encouraged (but not required) to be present at the ceremony to receive the award.

[RTOC Excellence Award nomination forms](#) are available on the Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit website. Submissions are due by midnight on **April 4**. [Nominations sent by email](#) are encouraged to ensure on-time delivery. Nominations will be reviewed and selected by the Region 10 Tribal Operations Committee. The winner will be notified on April 9.

Upcoming Meetings

April 9-10 • Quarterly Meeting hosted by Coeur d'Alene Tribe

May 17 • Teleconference at 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time

June 5-7 • Quarterly Meeting hosted by Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

[Submit Meeting Discussion Topics](#)

2018 Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit • April 11-13

Worley, Idaho • [Registration is Open!](#)

Stay Engaged with Us

[Opt-in to receive important emails](#) from the Region 10 RTOC. Stay-In-the-Loop emails are a direct line from the Tribal Caucus representatives to you! Region 10 RTOC can inform you of EPA policy, funding and program news that affects your communities. You will also receive our quarterly newsletter, and be reminded of important deadlines to participate in our meetings, to have your voices heard.

Contact **Kate Schaberg**, RTOC Coordinator • rtoccoordinator@region10rtoc.net if you have questions, comments, or suggestions for how RTOC can better serve you and your community.



Registration now open!

April 11-13, 2018
Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel

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**Facilitated Sessions *Native American Dance Group *Cultural Night *Awards*

REGISTRATION online at <https://region10tels.eventsmart.com>

HOTEL INFORMATION Book your room before March 26, 2018 for conference rates. Hotel reservations can be made by calling 800-523-2464. (Group Name: Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit; Booking ID: 2525)

AIRPORT Spokane International Airport

TRANSPORTATION The Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel will provide complimentary transportation service to and from the Spokane International Airport. Arrangements need to be made 2 weeks prior to arrival. You will need to provide contact cell phone and flight itineraries when you book your hotel. If notification is not received within the deadline, there will be a fee of \$25 each way.



FOR MORE INFORMATION
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Tribal Consultation

A full list of consultation opportunities is available in [EPA's Tribal Consultation Opportunities Tracking System](#).

Modernizing Public Hearings for Water Quality Standard Decisions

END DATE: April 20.

EPA is initiating tribal consultation and coordination on the Office of Water's draft informational document, *Modernizing Public Hearings for Water Quality Standard Decisions Consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 25.5*. The draft document provides some possible options for WQS-authorized tribes and states interested in using modern technology to meet relevant public hearing requirements in federal regulations.

The informational document will also assist WQS-authorized tribes in choosing whether to integrate technology by making minor or substantial changes to its public hearing process, or retain its current public hearing procedures. EPA is seeking tribal comment on additional technology options and/or best practices for modernizing the public hearing process, as well as potential implications or other factors for the Agency to consider, including input on any areas of the document that need clarity.

Tribes may access the consultation letter, related consultation information, and EPA's draft informational document *Modernizing Public Hearings for WQS Decisions Consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 25.5* on EPA's [Tribal Consultation Opportunities Tracking System](#).

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Grants

Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy Energy Infrastructure Deployment on Tribal Lands – 2018

APPLICATIONS DUE: April 19.

DOE's Office of Indian Energy is soliciting applications from tribes, which includes Alaska Native regional and village corporations, and Tribal Energy Resource Development Organizations to:

- Install energy efficiency measures and/or energy generating system(s) for tribal buildings,
- Deploy community-scale energy generating system(s) on tribal lands, and/or
- Install energy system(s) for autonomous operation.

The intended results of the 50% cost-shared projects selected under the **Funding Opportunity Announcement** are to reduce or stabilize energy costs and increase energy security and resilience for tribes and Alaska Native villages. DOE anticipates making approximately 6 to 15 awards.

The FOA can be found on the [Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Funding Opportunity Exchange](#), under Funding Opportunity Number [DE-FOA-0001847](#). Questions can be directed to TribalGrants@hq.doe.gov.

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S**2018 Environmental Education Local Grant Program**

PROPOSALS DUE: **April 11.**

EPA seeks grant proposals to support environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship, and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment.

Eligible applicants include local education agencies, state education or environmental agencies, college or universities, non-profit organizations, noncommercial educational broadcasting entities, and tribal education agencies (schools and community colleges controlled by an Indian tribe, band, or nation, which are recognized as eligible for special programs and services provided by the U.S. to Indians.)

Separate **Requests for Proposals** have been issued for each of EPA's ten regions. EPA anticipates awarding three to four grants per EPA region. The Region 10 RFP is available on EPA's [Environmental Education \(EE\) Grant Solicitation Notice](#) website.

Note that the original proposal deadline was extended from March 15 to April 11, to provide applicants with additional time to modify proposals due to recent changes in the RFPs that expands the scope of environmental issues that can be addressed. Applicants can review a [Summary of Amendments to the 2018 EE Local Grants RFP](#) available online.

To learn more about EPA's environmental education grants, check out EPA's [Environmental Education \(EE\) Grants](#) website.

Pollution Prevention Grant Program

APPLICATIONS DUE: **April 26.**

Pollution Prevention (P2) means reducing or eliminating pollutants from entering any waste stream or released into the environment *prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal*. This program funds two-year grants that provide technical assistance and/or training to businesses or facilities to help them adopt source reduction approaches.

Grant proposals should focus on one or more of the following P2 priority areas, referred to as National Emphasis Areas:

1. Business-Based Pollution Prevention Solutions Supporting Toxic Substances Control Act Priorities and Chemical Safety,
2. Food and Beverage Manufacturing and Processing, or
3. Hazardous Materials Source Reduction Approaches in States or Communities.

Individual grant awards may be in the range of \$40,000-\$500,000 for the two-year funding period. Eligible entities include state governments, colleges and universities, federally recognized tribes, and intertribal consortia. There is a 50 percent match requirement. For tribal governments that place P2 grant activities into a performance partnership grant, the match is reduced to 5 percent. For more details, check out EPA's [Grant Programs for Pollution Prevention](#) website.

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State Indoor Radon Grant

PROPOSALS DUE: **May 31.**

EPA Region 10 offers a **State Indoor Radon Grant** for tribal radon work. **SIRGs** are critical to the Agency's national goal of minimizing and preventing radon-related lung cancer. Tribes and tribal consortia may receive grant funds from EPA that help finance radon risk reduction activities.

The SIRG may be used for activities such as developing partnerships, conducting outreach and education, increasing radon awareness, provide radon test kits to facilities, and work with housing and other partners to develop and implement building codes and practices that safely address radon.

Region 10 anticipates that one grant will be awarded for up to \$24,000. After the workplan negotiations and other pre-application discussions are completed, specific instructions for submitting an application on www.grants.gov will be provided. To learn more about SIRGs, check out EPA's [State Indoor Radon Grant \(SIRG\) Program](http://www.epa.gov/state-indoor-radon-grant-sirg-program) website.

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Training & Scholarships

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7G Plan Development Workshop

April 4-5, Anchorage, AK

June 13-14, Anchorage, AK

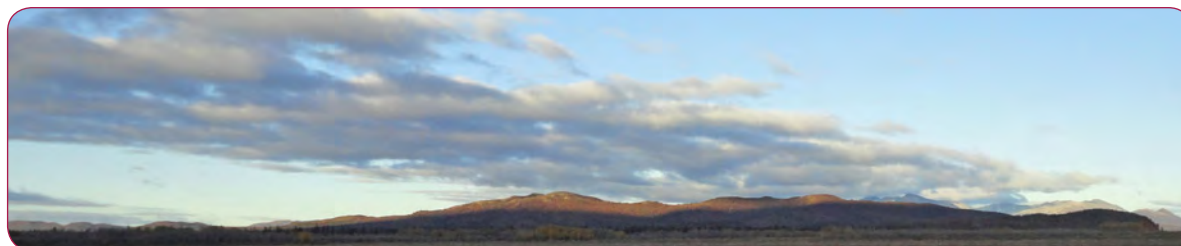
ANTHC is offering a 7G Plan Development Workshop. Participants will begin developing tribal environmental plans during this workshop with technical assistance from ANTHC staff. Attendees must have previously attended a 7 Generations Environmental Plan Training within the last 2 years. Tribal environmental program staff or others responsible for writing tribal environmental plans are best suited for this training. ANTHC recommends that at least two people from each community attend. For registration information, please visit the Training Schedule tab on [ANTHC's Capacity & Training](http://anthc.org/capacity-training) website.

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G**Rural Alaska Landfill Operator Training****April 10-12**, Anchorage, AK**May 8-10**, Klawock, AK

The **Rural Alaska Landfill Operator** course is for the designated landfill operator and administrator in a village with a Class III landfill or open dump, and focuses on the duties of the landfill operator, their personal safety and the safety of the village. Emphasis is placed on the importance of the landfill operator's role to keep the village clean and the landfill free from harmful substances. Participants will learn about landfill regulations and requirements, household hazardous waste, waste separation and screening, waste reduction and segregation, recycling, personal protection equipment and much more.

These courses are hosted by Alaska Forum, Inc. with trainers and expertise provided in cooperation with Solid Waste Administration of North America, Alaska Chapter. To register, check out the [Alaska Forum RALO Training](#) website.

Air Quality in Alaska (Level 1)**April 17-20**, Utqiagvik, AK

This entry-level ITEP course is intended for environmental staff in Alaska who are interested in air quality issues. The content is basic and assumes the participant has no background in science or air quality management. The course provides an understanding of the importance of clean air for the protection of human health and the environment. Instructors and participants will explore ways in which communities can take action to solve air quality problems and protect human health. There will be a building walk-through to provide hands-on practice.

Participants from North Slope communities will have priority for attendance, but applicants from other parts of Alaska will be accepted upon a space available basis. Applications for travel scholarships are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and are awarded based on availability of funds. For more information, check out ITEP's online [Air Quality Training Schedule](#).

CONTACT: **Patricia Ellsworth** • 928-523-6721 • Patricia.Ellsworth@nau.edu

Tribal Clean Water Act 319/106 Training Workshop**April 24-25**, Spokane, WA

Tribal water quality professionals are invited to learn about and discuss tribal water quality issues throughout Idaho, Washington, and Oregon. The Kalispel Tribe is hosting this event in cooperation with EPA Region 10. The workshop will build upon many of the water issues discussed last year, with the addition of learning about potential future changes in development and implementation of water quality protections. Limited travel scholarships are available for up to \$500 for tribes seeking to send multiple staff, or for those in need of travel assistance.

CONTACT: **Kenneth Merrill** • 509-447-7276 • kmerrill@kalispeltribe.com

Qualified Sampler Training (Water Quality and Soil Sampling Training)

April 30 – May 4, Fairbanks, AK

Learn how to take water and soil samples to send for laboratory testing, test on-site for surface water fecal coliform, and sample and monitor for the basic water quality parameters using a YSI probe and turbidity meter. This Zender Environmental Health and Research Group training will involve classroom time, hands-on instruction, and field days at a local creek. Passing this course satisfies the State of Alaska training requirements to become a qualified sampler.

A section of this training will focus on **Quality Assurance Project Plan** development. Attendees with approved QAPPs and appropriate sampling equipment can receive free follow-up assistance to help complete the State of Alaska requirement for supervised work in the field. More information on the workshop can be found on the [Zender Environmental Solid Waste Training and Technical Assistance Program](#) website.

CONTACT: **Sean Peterson** • 907-277-2111 • speterson@zendergroup.org

Clean Water Act Tribal Forum

May 1-3, Washington, D.C.

EPA's Office of Water is hosting a **Clean Water Act Tribal Forum** that will provide a high-level focus on the implementation of CWA water quality standards, and is intended for tribes with TAS authorization for the WQS program, or for those who either have CWA WQS or are interested in developing them. The forum will include discussions led by expert tribal representatives on a variety of topics. For details and registration check out the EPA [Clean Water Act Tribal Forum](#) website.

CONTACT: **Tom Gardner** • 202-566-0386 • gardner.thomas@epa.gov

Indoor Air Quality Diagnostic Tools for Alaska (Level 2)

May 1-4, Tazlina, AK

This level 2 ITEP course will bring together environmental, housing, and facilities staff from Alaska to learn how to use diagnostic equipment to assess indoor air quality. After completing this course, participants will be able to use the equipment and interpret data to assess a home and educate occupants about healthy indoor environments. The course is structured as an intensive training that uses multiple approaches to learning such as lecture/discussion, hands-on, and site visits. More information is available from ITEP's online [Air Quality Training Schedule](#).

CONTACT: **Patricia Ellsworth** • 928-523-6721 • Patricia.Ellsworth@nau.edu

National Tribal Forum on Air Quality

May 14-17, Carlton, MN

The National Tribal Forum on Air Quality provides an opportunity to meet, exchange ideas, and discuss current policies, regulatory initiatives, technical and outreach topics in air quality. The conference is coordinated by ITEP and the National Tribal Air Association with funding from EPA. ITEP will provide a limited number of scholarships to cover eligible travel expenses for tribal employees. Register or learn more on [ITEP's Conferences](#) website.

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The Business of Trash: Effectively Managing your Community's Waste and Qualified Sampler Training (Water Quality and Soil Sampling Training)

May 14-18, Bethel, AK

Having trouble convincing your community to pay fees? Do you find that your solid waste program starts and stops, or doesn't seem to improve? If so, then this training is for you!

The training looks at solid waste management programs as utility operations. It will include self-assessment exercises and discussions to explore the 10 management areas that contribute to effective and sustainable utility management, and apply them to Alaska solid waste. You will learn your own program's weaknesses and strengths in each management area, gain from sharing experiences with fellow participants, and leave with an identified approach for improving your program. The training includes developing a solid waste management plan and budget, and a community outreach strategy.

Qualified Sampler Training includes a combination of classroom and in-the-field training, where you will learn how to take your own water and soil samples to send for laboratory contaminant testing, test on-site for surface water fecal coliform, sampling and monitoring for basic water quality parameters using a YSI probe and turbidity meter, and determine flow rates and discharge for your water body using a flow probe.

Passing this course satisfies the State of Alaska training requirements to become a qualified sampler. For details, check out Zender Environmental Health and Research Group's [Solid Waste and Technical Assistance Program](#) website.

CONTACT: **Simone Sebalo** • 907-277-2111 • ssebalo@zendergroup.org

Introduction to GAP Management

May 22-23, Anchorage, AK

ANTHC is offering an Introduction to GAP Management Workshop. This in-person training will guide participants through the EPA Indian Environmental General Assistance Program from beginning to end. Participants will also receive information and tools that will help them build and manage effective environmental programs in their community.

The workshop is intended for tribal environmental program staff, Tribal Administrators, or other tribal staff involved in managing GAP grants. For registration information, please visit the Training Schedule tab on [ANTHC's Capacity & Training](#) website.

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Pop Quiz Answer from Page 1

The first Earth Day was held before the existence of the EPA or federal regulations that protect clean air or water. Senator Gaylord Nelson created the holiday to force the issue onto the national agenda. The EPA was created a few months later in December of 1970. Learn more about [EPA and Earth Day history](#) online.

Calendar of Events

April

- 4 Asthma Webinar Series: Asthma 101. 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time • <http://bit.ly/2uaRmac>
- 4 – 5 7G Plan Development Workshop. Anchorage, AK • <http://bit.ly/2iBcTSK>
- 9 – 10 Region 10 RTOC Quarterly Meeting. Worley, ID • <http://region10rtoc.net/meetings>
- 10 – 12 Rural Alaska Landfill Operator Training. Anchorage, AK • <http://bit.ly/2kLtz98>
- 11 – 13 Tribal Environmental Leaders Summit. Worley, ID • <http://region10rtoc.net/tribal-leaders-summit/>
- 17 Alaska LEO Network Monthly Webinar. 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time • <http://www.leonetwork.org>
- 17 – 19 GIS for Air Quality. Las Vegas, NV • http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_aq_gisaq
- 17 – 20 Air Quality in Alaska (Level 1). Utqiagvik AK • https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_aq_aknc
- 24 – 5 Tribal Clean Water Act 319/106 Training Workshop. Spokane, WA • Kenneth Merrill • 509-447-7276 • kmerrill@kalispeltribe.com
- 25 – 26 NW Tribal Energy Efficiency & Conservation Conference. Suquamish, WA • <http://conta.cc/2pxM4jt>
- 25 – 27 National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program. Washington, DC • <http://thenejc.org/>
- 30 – May 4 Qualified Sampler Training (Water Quality and Soil Sampling Training). Fairbanks, AK • <http://www.zendergroup.org/sw.html>

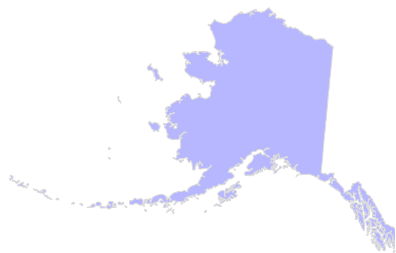
May

- 1 – 3 Clean Water Act Tribal Forum. Washington, DC • <http://bit.ly/2CfCQ4v>
- 1 – 4 Indoor Air Quality Diagnostic Tools for Alaska (Level 2). Tazlina, AK • https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_aq_iaqdtak
- 8 – 10 Rural Alaska Landfill Operator Training. Klawock, AK • <http://bit.ly/2kLtz98>
- 14 – 17 National Tribal Forum on Air Quality. Carlton, MN • http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/conferences/confr_ntf
- 14 – 18 The Business of Trash: Effectively Managing your Community's Waste AND Qualified Sampler Training (Water Quality and Soil Sampling Training). Bethel, AK • <http://www.zendergroup.org/sw.html>
- 17 Region 10 RTOC Teleconference. 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time • <http://region10rtoc.net/meetings>
- 22 Alaska LEO Network Monthly Webinar. 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time • <http://www.leonetwork.org>
- 22 – 23 Introduction to GAP Management. Anchorage, AK • <http://bit.ly/2GRKy4f>
- 22 – 23 PFAS National Leadership Summit. Washington, DC • <https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-national-leadership-summit-and-engagement>

June

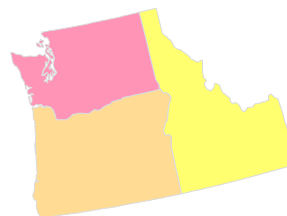
- 5 – 7 Region 10 RTOC Quarterly Meeting. Juneau, AK • <http://region10rtoc.net/meetings>
- 13 – 14 7G Plan Development Workshop. Anchorage, AK • <http://bit.ly/2iBcTSK>
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Got News?

The Region 10 Tribal Newsletter invites you, our readers, to submit ideas and articles for consideration and to share your successes and challenges. Photographs are also welcome as separate files in jpeg or other graphic format. Please submit articles and pictures to:

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