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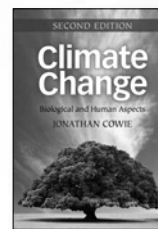
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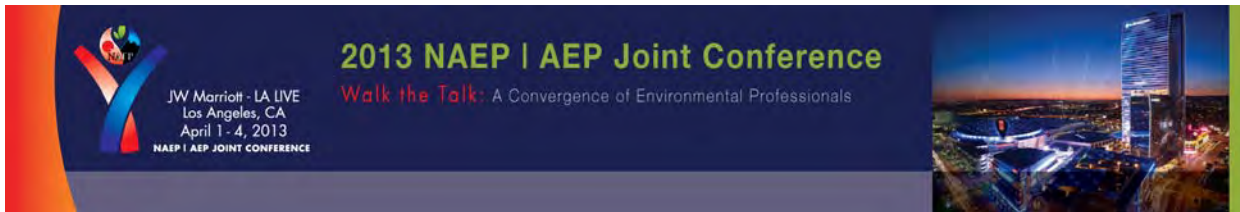
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Lunch will be provided and Nicholas Yost will be the featured keynote speaker. Formerly general counsel of the President's Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) during the Carter Administration, Mr. Yost was the lead draftsperson of the CEQ NEPA regulations. He is currently a partner at the law firm of SNR Denton in San Francisco, CA.

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The Climate Change Symposium will cover the latest science supporting climate change including revised forecasts on climate change consequences and recent guideline changes from CEQ, federal, and state agencies on addressing climate change impacts. It is designed to inform agency staff, consultants, regulators, applicants, and other interested professionals in analyzing and addressing climate change impacts in NEPA and CEQA review, and best practices for infrastructure and facility design to adapt to climate change consequences. Recent CEQ guidance directs federal agencies to review potential climate change impacts and provide climate change adaptation of infrastructure and facilities during NEPA review. Additionally, many federal agencies are reviewing potential climate change impacts and implementing best practices in climate change adaptation for new facilities and retrofits of existing facilities.

Lunch will be provided and Dr. William (Bill) Patzert will be the featured keynote speaker. Dr. Patzert is a lead scientist at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory. His research is focused on the application of NASA satellite data to improve our understanding of our planet's climate and environmental problems ranging from more accurate long-term climate forecasts to monitoring the health *Nicholas Yost* of the oceans.



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Although NEPA and CEQ's NEPA regulations have remained stable for many years, NEPA's implementation by federal agencies is constantly changing. The federal courts regularly hand down new decisions that influence day-to-day NEPA practice. Additionally, CEQ and the U.S. EPA occasionally develop guidance designed to improve NEPA compliance. Although rare, Congress sometimes amends NEPA as it did recently for transportation projects. This session will provide participants with a comprehensive update of the latest developments in NEPA case law, including decisions focusing on alternatives, cumulative impacts, and climate change. The session will also provide an update on the latest NEPA-related legislation as well as initiatives from CEQ (which will be presented by Horst Greczmiel, CEQ Associate Director for NEPA Oversight), EPA, and other federal agencies.

Annual CEQA Update Thursday, April 4

The California Environmental Quality Act is constantly evolving. With new judicial interpretations handed down each year, California's Legislature adopting new statutes each year, and new amendments to the State CEQA Guidelines, it's important for every CEQA practitioner to keep up with the latest changes. This session gives you the opportunity to hear a panel of CEQA experts discuss what's new with California's most important environmental law. Topics will include: 2012 CEQA legislation; the key court cases of the past year; the revisions to the State CEQA Guidelines encouraging infill development; and practical advice on how to comply with CEQA in light of these developments.

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Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice For Environmental Professionals

The objectives of Environmental Professionals are to conduct their personal and professional lives and activities in an ethical manner. Honesty, justice and courtesy form moral philosophy which, associated with a mutual interest among people, constitute the foundation of ethics. Environmental Professionals should recognize such a standard, not in passive observance, but as a set of dynamic principles guiding their conduct and way of life. It is their duty to practice their profession according to this Code of Ethics.

As the keystone of professional conduct is integrity, Environmental Professionals will discharge their duties with fidelity to the public, their employers, clients, and with fairness and impartiality to all. It is their duty to interest themselves in public welfare, and to be ready to apply their special knowledge for the benefit of mankind and their environment.

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1. to recognize and attempt to reconcile societal and individual human needs with responsibility for physical, natural, and cultural systems.
2. to promote and develop policies, plans, activities, and projects that achieve complementary and mutual support between natural and man-made, and present and future components of the physical, natural and cultural environment.

Ethics

As an Environmental Professional I will:

1. be personally responsible for the validity of all data collected, analyses performed, or plans developed by me or under my direction. I will be responsible and ethical in my professional activities.
2. encourage research, planning, design, management and review of activities in a scientifically and technically objective manner. I will incorporate the best principles of the environmental sciences for the mitigation of environmental harm and enhancement of environmental quality.
3. not condone misrepresentation of work I have performed or that was performed under my direction.
4. examine all of my relationships or actions that could be legitimately interpreted as a conflict of interest by clients, officials, the public or peers. In any instance where I have a financial or personal interest in the activities with which they are directly or indirectly involved, I will make a full disclosure of that interest to my employer, client, or other affected parties.
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6. not accept fees wholly or partially contingent on the client's desired result where that desired result conflicts with my professional judgement.

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1. encourage environmental planning to begin in the earliest stages of project conceptualization.
2. recognize that total environmental management involves the consideration of all environmental factors including: technical, economic, ecological, and sociopolitical and their relationships.
3. incorporate the best principle of design and environmental planning when recommending measures to reduce environmental harm and enhance environmental quality.
4. conduct my analysis, planning, design and review activities primarily in subject areas for which I am qualified, and shall encourage and recognize the participation of other professionals in subject areas where I am less experienced. I shall utilize and participate in interdisciplinary teams wherever practical to determine impacts, define and evaluate all reasonable alternatives to proposed actions, and assess short-term versus long-term productivity with and without the project or action.
5. seek common, adequate, and sound technical grounds for communication with and respect for the contributions of other professionals in developing and reviewing policies, plans, activities, and projects.
6. determine that the policies, plans, activities or projects in which I am involved are consistent with all governing laws, ordinances, guidelines, plans, and policies, to the best of my knowledge and ability.
7. encourage public participation at the earliest feasible time in an open and productive atmosphere.
8. conduct my professional activities in a manner that ensures consideration of technically and economically feasible alternatives.

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1. assist in maintaining the integrity and competence of my profession.
2. encourage education and research, and the development of useful technical information relating to the environmental field.
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