

2009 EHS Evaluations & Suggestions

Part 2

27. In which of the following years did you attend this school?

2002	6
2003	8
2004	12
2005	15
2006	21
2007	21
2008	23
First Time	21

28. How did you receive notification of this school?

a. e-mail-MCIC	41
b. e-mail-exhibitor	2
c. brochure-mail	1
d. Industrial Commission	
e. Other	1
Colleague	5
Friend	1
Env Mgr	1
HR	1
DENR	1

29. Would you attend this school if offered annually?

Yes	54
No	1

30. Would you recommend someone from your organization attend annually?

Yes	52
No	2

31. What topics were not covered that should be covered in next school?

- Rice MACT
- ISO 14001
- Pharmaceuticals in the environment (current practices & where are we going)
- something regarding EHS related certifications – what are they, how to get them, where to get them. From an entry level with no experience to professional certifications
- real world case of entity who entered REC program and received NFA letter – timeline, costs, reporting req, sampling req, agency interaction due to NPDES permit
- REACH issues (if triggered what are req of program)
- I think the “should be covered” issues will/should be decided 1-2 months out. Air, especially is changing rapidly with non-attainment boiler MACT, GHGs, etc.
- ground contamination
- how do businesses retard fraudulent injury claims in their business
- behavior based safety
- more basic information of stormwater compliance requirements (class offered had a lot of BMP info, but not actual requirements)
- would like to see more OSHA related topics
- advanced Title V/PSD permit issues – how to deal with complex problems (common) that apply to more complex permits.
- followup on renewable energy mgmt (eg. Progress energy) as hopefully new additional information will be available in 12 months
- NFPA 70E
- drinking water
- more water quality updates
- nonhazardous waste – universal waste
- sustainability – more practical means rather than high tech sales pitch – got this with ES-1 on 8/25
- stormwater permitting (NPDES stormwater, state stormwater,, phase II stormwater, and construction stormwater permits
- beneficial use of coal ash

32. What suggestions do you have that would make the school more useful to you?
- Turn up thermostate & reduce GHG emissions
 - NCSU has a large sustainability program & efforts ongoing – invite them, as hosts, next year to participate
 - School is great!! Keep adding some of the suggested topics
 - At opening meeting, remind all students to be respectful of others who want to learn. I sat behind two people that talked and laughed throughout entire class. Very distracting, very rude.
 - AQ2 – speed of speaker (Overcash) and so many acronyms made this presentation difficult to follow. Slow it down and dumb it down.
 - Move school to 1 week earlier (my kids always start school while I am here)
 - Move opening session to 8:30 am, then can get 3 sessions on first morning, then 2 sessions in the afternoon (would shorten the afternoon and could have longer social hour from 4-5:30 or 6)
 - Stormwater treatment solutions – how to improve SW discharge water quality
 - Combustible dust OSHA rule proposed
 - PSM compliance, issues & methods
 - Save energy – set the temperature to 78
 - Have something on radiation used in manufacturing process
 - Have a printed list of acronyms used in presentations
 - Extend to 2 full days – some of the sessions should have had more time
 - Schedule so non-local attendees don't have to travel on Sunday
 - The discussions of proposed legislation are very useful (example – “cap & trade” bill discussions).
 - Focus on proposed & newly inacted federal and state legislation is very helpful
 - Having all sweets for breaks is not good for some students. Should have crackers or something not sweet for diabetics.

- Should have vendors draw names for door prizes in front of everyone. They pick who they want to win. Not fair to the students.
- Very good!!!! Another fine job by all!!!
- Possibly review course content. For example – WQ1 was supposed to be basic. Deborah is clearly an expert with tremendous knowledge, however, I had no idea what she was talking about. It seemed to me more like an advanced course.
- It is extremely cold in all classrooms and vendor area. Many people were complaining about the temperature.
- I would suggest a focus on Hot Topic issues rather than separate tracks-especially with such a small attendance.
- Have top 10 OSHA violations earlier in the day – more may attend if earlier
- For permit classes, explain what the language in the permits is & why it is included (hr those unfamiliar with permits)
- Good format, good facility. Temperature control was better 2nd day than 1st day.
- AQ1 – enough info that this would have been more effective if done in 3 sessions (1-permitting Title V, 2-permitting non-title V, 3-air pollution control equip) – sadly no take away with this session
- A lot of info but not as valuable as individual workshops – good for an overview – one time visit
- ISO14001 guidance
- Ozone depleting substance requirements
- Noise abatement
- Recycle opportunities
- More on recycling and waste minimization

33. Specific comments about an instructor or class

- AQ-1 Paterson presentation confusing. Rushed. Be more focused. Very knowledgeable, too much info, inadequate time, very interesting, though: she really knows the data presentation skills . wished she had more time to speak. Very helpful

- AQ-2 Overcash talks too fast. A bit quick, but good. Moved very fast. Very timely.
- AQ-2 Pennington talked over heads. Better pace. Quiet-hard to hear.
- AQ-3 Evans very good
- AQ-4 Rowlan very interesting. Good speaker but needs less commercialization of his company.
- AQ-4 Taylor/Rowlan extremely efficient. Powerful speakers
- ES-1 Pandullo/Fogel Best session
- ES-1 Fogel too much sales pitch
- ES-2 Kingery geared to commercial. Very little if any industrial application. Quick-not always clear with jargon
- ES-3 Jessee/Stahl too much info on slides
- ES-4 Adams very well presented, good BMP sharing. Clear, good pace, good detail.
- ES-4 Green/Huett not much detail. Not prepared. Good host
- ES-5 Panel excellent discussion & audience participation
- WM-1 Orozco very good speaker-humorous
- WM-2 Cannon not a good speaker. Very nervous, she read the slides to the group. Needs to present more & improve. Seemed to read notes & seemed nervous.
- WM-2 Matthews significant facts presented but not on slides
- OSH-2 Obarr very poorly prepared. Seemed to talk off the cuff and wing it.
- WQ-1 Gore Content Good. Good background info
- WQ-1 Belnick Content Good – presentation not so
- WQ-2 Walker Has lot of knowledge-doesn't present clearly

- WQ-3 Levitas Changed topic. Clear, effective use of materials.
- WQ-3 Ware Good background, good pace of information
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