

Session Descriptions - Friday, March 2

8:00am - 9:00am Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00am - 10:45am Concurrent Sessions

1 Brownfields to Alternative Fuels: Opportunities for Renewable Energy Willamette River Room A

The rapid growth of renewable energy development in the US and abroad has focused special attention on brownfields sites, particularly those larger sites with good access to rail and port facilities. And, because of the design of many renewable fuels and biofuels plants does not require deep excavation and can provide significant impervious area to cap residual soil contamination, some of the "dirtier" sites - even federal Superfund sites and former bulk fuel storage facilities - are being redeveloped for energy production. Learn from the experts about private and public funding resources and innovations in brownfields redevelopment for alternative fuels.

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Speakers:

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2 Identifying Brownfields Opportunities: Building and Using a Brownfields Property Inventory Croisan Creek Room C

In this session you will learn how Oregon communities are building and using inventories of brownfields properties to meet long-term growth needs. The speakers will provide their unique perspectives to building and using a brownfields inventory and discuss methods, constraints, resources, and application. The application of GIS to building a brownfields property inventory and development of community-specific screening and ranking criteria to prioritize and target brownfields properties for your community will also be discussed.

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3 Redevelopment Challenges, Accounting for Vapor Intrusion Willamette River Room B

If present at your site, vapor intrusion can be one of the most significant challenges to the safe use of contaminated property. Vapor intrusion, which can be generally defined as the vertical migration of volatile compounds (e.g., fuels, solvents) from impacted subsurface medias into buildings above, can be effectively addressed with the right strategy. This session will focus on three critical aspects when it comes to vapor intrusion. The first will examine current regulatory agency requirements; the second will discuss the collection of the right assessment data and development of an accurate conceptual site model; and the third will present information on how to design appropriate remedial strategies to mitigate potential risks posed by vapor intrusion.

Moderator: Chuck Esler, AMEC Earth & Environmental, Inc., 503-639-3400, charles.esler@amec.com

Speakers:

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10:45am - 11:00am

Break - Exhibit Area

11:00am - 12:15pm

Concurrent Sessions

1 Risk-Based vs. Full Cleanup: The Implications to Property Value and Redevelopment

Willamette River Room A

The decision-making process for cleaning up a site can differ greatly for a small town with nominal resources and an urban agency with greater resources. Factors to consider are developer requirements, projected long-term use of the property, lender and public perception of leaving residual contamination in place, and the cost of a risk-based vs. a full cleanup.

Moderator: Heidi Yantz, PBS Engineering and Environmental, 503-417-7695, heidi_yantz@pbsenv.com

Speakers:

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David Obern, Portland Development Commission, 503-823-3200, obernd@pdc.us

2 Allocating Contamination Cleanup Costs at Multi-Party Brownfield Sites Willamette River Room B

The panel will discuss allocation of environmental cleanup liability and damage, one of the most contentious and difficult issues faced in cleanup disputes. Topics will include legal background of allocation, several allocation methodologies that have been used, and the strategy for using one or more allocation methods.

Moderator: Robert Grott, Northwest Environmental Business Council, 503-227-6361, robert@nebc.org

Speakers:

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3 Handling Changing Risk Perceptions Croisan Creek Room C

Basics on community outreach will be discussed (Community Outreach 101), along with case studies of high profile projects throughout Oregon where community concerns over contamination risk required effective outreach and communication.

Moderator: Terry Hosaka, Landau Associates, 503-443-6010, thosaka@landauinc.com

Speakers:

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12:15pm - 1:30pm

Lunch

Willamette River Rooms C & D

Oregon Brownfields Awards Presentation

The Oregon Brownfields Awards recognize individuals and groups who worked together to solve the critical environmental challenge of cleaning up brownfields sites into productive reuses. The Awards honor individuals and groups that have implemented innovative, yet practical, cleanup projects that stimulated economic development through job creation or retention, addressed a critical community development need, and/or resulted in significant protection of human health and the environment. The Awards showcase these successes and publicize them as models for other communities around the state.

1:30pm - 3:00pm

Concurrent Sessions

1 New Rules & Strategies for Eminent Domain for Brownfields Properties

Willamette River Room A

Impacts of Oregon's Measure 39 on acquisition and disposition for contaminated properties.

Moderator: Edward Sullivan, Garvey Schubert Barer, 503-228-3939, esullivan@gsblaw.com

Speakers:

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2 Understanding Brownfields: What Role Does Environmental Insurance Play?

Willamette River Room B

Environmental insurance has become a vital risk management tool and an integral component of most brownfields projects. However, insurance markets are constantly evolving and changing. How do you keep abreast of the important changes? How will they affect your project? What will the future environmental insurance market look like? This panel will explore some of the more significant market developments and discuss strategies for getting the best environmental insurance program for your brownfields project.

Moderator: Jeff Berebitsky, Restorical Research, 503-236-8616, jeff@restorical.com

Speakers:

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3 Walking Tour of Salem Brownfields - Hosted by the City of Salem Croisan Creek Room C

Introduction 1:30pm - 2:25pm

Salem Brownfields Walking Tour of Riverfront Park 2:25pm - 4:00pm

Moderator: Jill Corcoran, City of Salem, 503-588-6178 x7549, jlcorcoran@cityofsalem.net

Speakers:

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