

# ***Illinois Harmful Algal Bloom Program Meeting***

Wednesday, January 16, 2013

10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Illinois EPA Sangamon Training Room

## **Illinois HAB Program Introduction (10:00 – 11:00 a.m.)**

- ***Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Introductions.***  
Gregg Good (IEPA) and Doug Yeskis (USGS) (10 mins)
- ***Summary of Why We are All Here Today, Agenda Overview, and Illinois EPA's Experience with HAB Toxins.***  
Gregg Good, IEPA Division of Water Pollution Control (30 mins)
- ***Summary of Concerns from a PWS Perspective.***  
Dave McMillan, IEPA Division of Public Water Supplies (10 mins)
- ***Questions/Answers Discussion.*** (10 mins)

## **HAB Education Component Discussion (11:00 – Noon)**

- ***My 2012 Experience: Importance of Educating Homeowners and the Public About the Potential Health Risks Associated with HAB Toxins.***  
Joe Rush, Lake Consultant (20 mins)
- ***Can I Swim in the Water, Ski on the Water, Eat the Fish, or Water my Vegetables?***  
Tom Hornshaw, IEPA Toxicologist (15 mins)
- ***What about Pets and Livestock? The Veterinarian Point of View.***  
Val Richard Beasley, College of Veterinary Medicine, UIUC (15 mins)
- ***Educational Component Discussion.***  
What educational materials are already in existence? Who are the educational players, and who should be at the table? How do we get the word out? Who has a vested interest? (10 mins)

## **Lunch (Noon – 1:00 p.m.)**

## **Surveillance Monitoring and Response Planning Discussion (1:00 – 2:30 p.m.)**

- ***HAB Toxins "101 Course" – Surveillance Monitoring, Response Planning, and Implementation Basics.***  
Keith Loftin, USGS Kansas Water Science Center (75 mins)
- ***Questions/Answers Discussion.*** (15 mins)

**Break (2:30 – 2:45 p.m.)**

**Another State's Perspective (2:45 – 3:15 p.m.)**

- ***Indiana's HAB Program – How we got Started, What we are Doing, Where we are Going, and Lessons Learned.***  
Cyndi Wagner, Indiana Department of Environmental Management (20 mins)
- ***Questions/Answers Discussion.*** (10 mins)

**Where Do We Go From Here? (3:15 – 3:30 p.m.)**

- ***Where do we go from here with Illinois' HAB Program? Open discussion regarding:***
  - Illinois HAB Program Vision, Goals, Objectives
  - Program Component Future Work Groups, Leaders, and Participants
  - Next Steps

**Adjourn (3:30 p.m.)**