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Join the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network and UC Davis Department of Environmental Science and Policy's Fraser Shilling from your own workspace for a 1-hour Webinar session "Developing a California Whole System Report Card". The webinar will be on Thursday, July 22, 2010 from 11:30 AM -12:30 PM. Please see the instructions below to join the webinar.

Developing a California Whole System Report Card

Fraser Shilling is a researcher in the Department of Environmental Science and Policy at UC Davis investigating improved ways to use environmental data to inform decision-making, and was the lead author of the California Watershed Assessment Manual. He received his PhD from the University of Southern California in aquatic ecology and has spent the last 15 years at UC Davis. In 2007, the California Department of Water Resources funded 6 projects throughout the state to develop regional report card systems that evaluated environmental, social, and economic condition, at the watershed scale. Fraser is closely involved with 3 of these projects and facilitates communication among the projects. In this webinar, he will describe the advances in report card development that these regional projects are making and how California could use this system for integrated whole system reporting to the public and decision-makers.

Topic: CWQMCN: Developing a California Whole System Report Card

Date: Thursday, July 22, 2010

Time: 11:15 pm, Pacific Daylight Time (San Francisco, GMT-07:00)

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http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/monitoring_council/collaboration_network/index.shtml.

Materials (if available), including past webinars will be posted on the website. The recorded webinars and associated materials are located under 'Monthly Webinars'.

We hope to use this web page to help you network with each other and with the larger monitoring community. So, feel free to give us your ideas on how to make it better.

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Many of us in the water quality monitoring community have been looking for a California forum for sharing our ideas, successes and common concerns. In response to that need, the California Water Quality Monitoring Council is partnering with the Water Board's Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program, the Nonpoint Source Program and US Environmental Protection Agency to launch a monthly conference call to support the activities of regional monitoring programs.

The Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network will begin as a voluntary monthly conference call that members of the monitoring community can participate in as topics meet their interests. The conference call format and content will vary in response to input from participants. Sessions are planned to share technical and support tools for monitoring, assessment and reporting; to encourage discussion on common concerns like information management; and to provide a forum for networking.

It is envisioned that the Collaboration network will help support a state framework to coordinate consistent and scientifically defensible methods and strategies for improving water quality monitoring, assessment, and reporting.