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## Notes from the Environmental Workforce Professional Learning Community (PLC)—Cycle 19, Session 1

This series of bi-weekly phone calls examines effective Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training (EWDJT) strategies from experienced grantees. PLC calls share ideas among successful grantees and prepare interested organizations for the next EPA Request for Proposals. Calls will be a mix of open discussion, workforce development news, resources, and presentations from current grantees.

- Topics:
1. News from Washington and HMTRI
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### **1. NEWS FROM WASHINGTON AND HMTRI**

Following the FY18 environmental workforce development cooperative agreement awards, there have been no new announcements from EPA.

Because applications exceeded available funds, many excellent programs could not be funded this year. Of the seventeen awards, nine went to currently operating programs (7 in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 2 in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year). Five awards went to entirely new programs and three went to “alumni” programs that had not been funded in recent years. Ranking criteria scores with consideration for special conditions were the primary guidance for funding. Those not selected for EPA support this cycle are encouraged to revisit and expand program plans in anticipation of the next round of RFPs. HMTRI is encouraged that sixteen of the seventeen awards went to organizations participating in the Professional Learning Community.

## 2. QUESTIONS FROM PLC MEMBERS

If you have questions you would like addressed, send it to Heather Ballou at [hkballou@eicc.edu](mailto:hkballou@eicc.edu).

How do I get the post session notes or the recorded version?

*If you are on the PLC participant list, you will automatically receive Post session notes (usually on Friday) and reminders during the week of the next session. You may also visit the HMTRI website at*

*<http://brownfields-toolbox.org/plc-sessions/>. This is the site where we archive PLC materials.*

## 3. WELCOME TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKFORCE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY (PLC)

The Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute (HMTRI) has worked with multiple EPA programs for over 30 years under a variety of cooperative agreements. Grants have included technician training, curriculum development, capacity building, and technical assistance to communities interested in establishing local environmental workforce programs. The HMTRI effort has been leveraged with assistance from the Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center (ATEEC) funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Partnership for Environmental Education (PETE) funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Science (NIEHS), and Eastern Iowa Community College (EICC).

Since the beginning of the Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Program, HMTRI has assisted communities establish, deliver, and sustain quality environmental training to community residents.

### What to expect from the PLC

- News from Washington
- Helpful hints - starting and running sustainable environmental workforce programs
- Idea exchange - learn from EPA grantees
- Ask questions - stay in touch
- EPA updates and events
- Join us when you can
- No cost or obligations
- Open to all

## 4. TIPS FOR FUNDED AND UNFUNDED EWDJT APPLICANTS

Successful applicants need to keep in mind that they have been recommended for funding, but Federal funds have not yet been released. Before the formal drawdowns can be made, several important milestones must be completed.

- Terms and conditions with approved work plans should be the primary focus during the next 3 months.
- After the award letter has been received, the principal grant recipient must acknowledge their acceptance of the terms and conditions. In the case of governmental organizations, acceptance may have to be approved by City Council. Community colleges, nonprofit, and tribes may need approval from the Board of Directors, Tribal Council, or Director. Don't assume these approvals will be automatic.
- Check to make sure you received a package or templet with all the information the EPA grants office needs to process the grant.

After contacting the Regional Coordinator, it would be wise to set up a meeting with partners and stakeholders with an active role in the program.

**This is the time to review and perhaps revise your work plan. Since proposal submission, activities and budgets may have changed and need approval before the final work plan is accepted. Now is the time to revisit the grant application and consider the following activities.**

#### **Hold public meetings announcing Federal funding**

EWDJT applicants are strongly urged to hold public meetings. Unlike ARC grantees, public meetings are not required in the RFP but to new grantees should hold informal community meetings, especially in the proposed target communities. It is time to spread the good news.

#### **Revisit partnerships**

Partnerships are perhaps the most important issue for new and continuing grantees.

- Connect with faith based organizations and local churches in the target community to announce the new EWDJT program.
- Contact community organizations to present EWDJT plans and schedules.
- Contact city hall to coordinate with city council and community and neighborhood development announcing the new EPA EWDJT grant.
- Re-connect and meet with potential employers and the advisory committee.
- Share your proposal and program plans with leveraged partners.
- Coordinate and partner with local Assessment, Revolving Loan and Cleanup (ARC) grantees.

- Meet with as many governmental organizations as time permits informing them of your intentions to develop or continue the environmental job training program.
- Include partners as part of the advisory board.

**Here are the current, new, and refunded EWDJT grantees.**

| <u>Grantees</u>  | <u>Region</u> | <u>State</u> | <u>FY Award</u> |
|--|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Alaska Forum, Inc.                                       | 10            | AK           | 2016            |
| Alaska Forum, Inc.                                       | 10            | AK           | 2018            |
| Auberle  | 3             | PA           | 2016            |
| Civic Works, Inc.  | 3             | MD           | 2016            |
| Civic Works, Inc.  | 3             | MD           | 2018            |
| Cypress Mandela Training Center, Inc.                    | 9             | CA           | 2016            |
| Earth Conservancy  | 3             | PA           | 2017            |
| Energy Coordinating Agency                               | 3             | PA           | 2016            |
| Essex County Division of Training and Employment         | 2             | NJ           | 2018            |
| Florida State College at Jacksonville                    | 4             | FL           | 2017            |
| Fortune Society, Inc., The                               | 2             | NY           | 2017            |
| Full Employment Council, Inc.                            | 7             | MO           | 2018            |
| Glens Falls, City of                                     | 2             | NY           | 2016            |
| Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps, Inc.           | 5             | WI           | 2017            |
| Groundwork Rhode Island                                  | 1             | RI           | 2018            |
| Hunters Point Family                                     | 9             | CA           | 2018            |
| King County  | 10            | WA           | 2018            |
| Lawson State Community College                           | 4             | AL           | 2016            |
| Limitless Vistas, Inc.                                   | 6             | LA           | 2016            |
| Limitless Vistas, Inc.                                   | 6             | LA           | 2018            |
| Los Angeles Conservation Corps                           | 9             | CA           | 2018            |
| Los Angeles Conservation Corps                           | 9             | CA           | 2016            |
| Merrimack Valley Workforce Investment Board              | 1             | MA           | 2017            |
| Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board, Waterbury | 1             | CT           | 2016            |
| Nye County   | 9             | NV           | 2016            |
| OAI, Inc.  | 5             | IL           | 2017            |
| Oregon Tradeswomen Inc.                                  | 10            | OR           | 2017            |
| PathStone Corporation                                    | 2             | PR           | 2017            |
| People United for Sustainable Housing, Inc.              | 2             | NY           | 2017            |
| Pittsburg, City of                                       | 9             | CA           | 2016            |
| Pittsburg, City of                                       | 9             | CA           | 2018            |
| Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe                              | 10            | WA           | 2016            |

| <u>Grantees</u>                                | <u>Region</u> | <u>State</u> | <u>FY Award</u> |
|--|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| RecycleForce                                   | 5             | IN           | 2018            |
| Redevelopment Authority of Cumberland County   | 3             | PA           | 2016            |
| Richmond, City of (California)                 | 9             | CA           | 2017            |
| Rochester, City of (New York)                  | 2             | NY           | 2016            |
| Salish Kootenai College                        | 8             | MT           | 2017            |
| Santa Fe Community College                     | 6             | NM           | 2017            |
| Springfield, City of                           | 7             | MO           | 2018            |
| Springfield, City of, MO                       | 7             | MO           | 2016            |
| St. Louis Community College                    | 7             | MO           | 2017            |
| St. Nicks Alliance                             | 2             | NY           | 2018            |
| Sustainable South Bronx                        | 2             | NY           | 2018            |
| Tacoma, City of                                | 10            | WA           | 2016            |
| Tacoma, City of                                | 10            | WA           | 2018            |
| The Hunters Point Family                       | 9             | CA           | 2016            |
| Training to Work an Industry Niche             | 4             | NC           | 2018            |
| West End Neighborhood House, Inc.              | 3             | DE           | 2018            |
| Zender Environmental Health and Research Group | 10            | AK           | 2017            |

**A note to those not selected for funding this cycle**

- Work to keep your program active. – The next request for proposals will likely be Spring of 2019.
- Often unfunded proposals are the result of not adequately responding to ranking criteria questions.
- A program may be successful and worthy of assistance, however awards are based on the written submission. Revisit your proposal with a critical eye.
- With increased competition, existing programs must demonstrate a significant expansion of their current or former program.
- Consider merging with local partners to continue offering EWDJT services without EPA support.
- Many programs have “missed” a year (sometimes more), only to come back strong with a new program and comprehensive proposal.
- Inform your partners, supporters and stakeholders you intend on resubmitting an expanded proposal next Spring.
- EPA Regional Coordinators will review your proposal, reader comments, and provide guidance on how your proposal can be improved. While the formal deadline for review has passed, seek guidance from your Regional Coordinator anyway.

- Take advantage of mentoring opportunities available from current grantees and HMTRI who are interested in environmental workforce training. Many resources are available as presented in these notes.
- Begin NOW. It takes months to establish a network of community organizations, partners, employers and leveraged resources to properly develop or expand the EWDJT program.

## 5. ITEMS FOR INTEREST FOR THOSE NEW TO THE EWDJT PROGRAM

### EPA sites that provide tips and FAQs regarding EPA environmental workforce training grant.

[FY2018 Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training Grant Guidelines \(PDF\)](#)

[FY2018 Frequently Asked Questions \(PDF\)](#)

[Tips for Submitting Proposals through Grants.gov \(PDF\)](#)

[FY18 EWDJT Outreach Webinar \(PDF\)](#)

Additional resources for EWDJT proposal development and submission should include a visit to [grants.gov](#)

### The HMTRI Toolbox provides environmental workforce technical assistance

EPA documents including RFP guidelines, post session notes, session recordings and much more about environmental workforce development programs are available at the HMTRI website.

Visitors to the website may want to also look at the Start a Program section. Click on the Start a Program tab along the top. Many components regularly updated, so check back often. Below is a summary of HMTRI resources available to organizations interested in developing environmental workforce jobs programs.

- [Brownfields-Toolbox.org](#)– The HMTRI website and repository for all things related to workforce development and job training.
- [Certified Employee Finder Grantee Scans](#) – Collects and shares EWDJT information regarding program competencies, training schedules and graduate certifications with potential employers and other grantees.
- [EWDJT Social Media Directory](#) –Websites, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and Google+ social platforms are linked for easy navigating.
- [CONNECT News](#), a bimonthly e-publication - CONNECT is HMTRI's acronym for Community support, networking, and assistance for environmental career training. Each issue of CONNECT News features contentious issues faced by EWDJT programs.
- [Best Practices Guide](#) – A compilation of best practices and strategies from successful EWDJT programs.

- Annual Environmental Job Development All-Grantee Meetings - Networks grantees for peer to peer idea exchange. Meeting is held in Alexandria, VA each year after new grantees have been selected.
- Annual Environmental Job Development All-Grantee Update Webinar– Updates communities on the latest developments and best practices of successful EWDJT programs.
- [Grantee and Community Outreach Listserv](#)– The HMTRI listserv is a communications link for current announcements and request for information regarding environmental training and job development.
- [Environmental Workforce Development Professional Learning Community \(PLC\)](#) – Biweekly informal conference calls featuring successful grantees and discussions on EWDJT topics of interest.
- Individualized Technical Assistance – “one on one” assistance regarding EWDJT issues.

#### **ATEEC resources available online and in print**

Another site that PLC members may find useful is a HMTRI “sister” organization. The Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center. [ATEEC](#) promotes the advancement of water, environmental, and energy technology education through curriculum, professional, and program development.

- [Defining Energy Technologies and Services Report](#)
- [Defining Energy Technology and Services Chart](#)
- [Regional Energy Conversations Report](#)
- [Defining Environmental Technology Careers Interactive Chart](#)
- [Defining Environmental Technology Chart](#)
- [Defining Environmental Technology Report](#)
- [Defining Water Management Interactive Chart](#)
- [Defining Water Management Report](#)
- [Defining Water Management Chart](#)
- [Regional Water Conversations Report](#)
- [Regional Water Conversations Chart](#)
- [Best Practices Guide for Developing Educational Programs](#)
- [Preparing Energy Technicians for the 21st Century Workforce](#)
- [Preparing Energy Technicians for the 21st Century Workforce Chart](#)

## 6. FYI-ITEMS OF INTEREST

### August is National Water Quality Month

Wednesday, Aug 1, 2018 until Friday, Aug 31, 2018

Learn more about EPA's Office of Water go to: <https://www.epa.gov/environmental-topics/water-topics>

Nearly half of the EPA Office of water budget goes into grants to state environmental programs, non-profits, educational institutions, and others. They use the money for a wide variety of projects, from scientific studies that help us make decisions to community cleanups. Overall, grants help us achieve our overall mission: protect human health and the environment.

For additional information, go to: <https://www.epa.gov/grants>.

### The E-Newsbrief of the National Clearinghouse

The E-Newsbrief of the National Clearinghouse is a free weekly newsletter focusing on new developments in the world of worker health and safety. Each issue provides summaries of the latest worker health and safety news from newspapers, magazines, journals, government reports, and the Web, along with links to the original documents. Also featured each week are updates from government agencies that handle hazmat and worker safety issues such as DOE, EPA, OSHA and others.

The Clearinghouse Newsbrief provides articles and resources relating to the worker health and safety community. While NIEHS is not a regulatory body, we seek to provide information of relevance to the training community.

Subscribing to the National Clearinghouse Newsbrief is the best way to stay on top of the worker health and safety news.

### **Updated Version of the Minimum Health and Safety Training Criteria is now available**

The development of the Minimum Health and Safety Training Criteria: Guidance for Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER) and HAZWOPER-Supporting Training was based on a series of national technical workshops sponsored by NIEHS WTP to serve as the quality control basis for the training grants awarded by the WTP. Following WTP's fourth workshop held on October 2017, the updated final guidance document was prepared and issued based on comments received.

*Minimum Health and Safety Training Criteria*



Back issues of the Newsbrief are available on the [archives page](#). [National Clearinghouse for Worker Safety and Health Training](#)

## **The 2018 BUILD Act & EPA Brownfields Program**

Missed the webinar?

Check out post webinar materials

Originally held, June 6, 2018

The webinar featured members of EPA's Brownfields and Land Revitalization Program who provided an overview of how the BUILD Act changes some aspects of EPA's brownfields grants, ownership and liability requirements, and State & Tribal Response Programs. The webinar focused on EPA's implementation plans and impacts on 2019 grant processes.

Slides and notes: <https://clu-in.org/conf/tio/BUILDAct/>

## **7. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS**

### **Annual Georgia Environmental Conference**

**August 22-24, 2018**

**Jekyll Island**

The Annual Georgia Environmental Conference is the largest and most comprehensive environmental conference in the Southeast, aimed at providing cutting edge information to more than 700 environmental leaders. They represent state, local, and federal government, business and industry, attorneys, consultants, engineers, developers, land owners, architects, agribusiness, energy experts, water planning districts, academia, public health, solid waste, recycling, environmental nonprofits, and HR recruiters.

### **Student Scholarship Poster Competition**

The Student Scholarship Poster Competition is intended to provide students the opportunity to present their research on timely environmental issues to a wide range of environmental professionals. Six student finalists will have the opportunity to attend the Annual Georgia Environmental Conference (August 22-24, 2018 | Jekyll Island) and participate in the final round of the poster competition. The finalists will be granted full conference registration, three nights lodging, and have the unique opportunity to showcase their research ideas to conference attendees from throughout the Southeast and beyond. (Student finalists are expected to provide their own travel to and from the conference, and are responsible for the printing of their posters for display at the conference. Additional Eligibility & Conditions are listed below.)

Three \$1,000 scholarships – typically one for a graduate student and one for an undergraduate student from Georgia colleges, as well as a “Southeast Superlative” for a student from a college in the Southeastern Region – will be awarded after the final round of judging at the conference. In addition to the monetary award, each scholarship recipient will be recognized on the conference web site and will be offered a complimentary registration for the Georgia Environmental Conference for the following year.

For more information, go to <http://www.georgiaenet.com/scholarship-overview/>

### **2018 WV Brownfields Conference**

**September 5-7, 2018**

**Charleston Civic Center**

**Charleston, West Virginia**

The 2018 WV Brownfields Conference will include sessions covering all aspects of brownfields redevelopment, interactive workshops, two networking receptions, and the 2018 WV Brownfield Awards. This premier redevelopment event attracts over 250 stakeholders including economic development professionals, environmental professionals, real estate developers, lawyers, state and local officials, EPA and other federal officials, entrepreneurs, planners, bankers, investors, and community redevelopment professionals. For more information and registration, go to:

<http://wvbrownfields.org/2018-wv-brownfields-conference/>

### **National Brownfields Leadership Summit**

**September 25-26, 2018**

**Washington DC**

Don't miss the brownfields redevelopment event of the year: join CCLR and NALGEP (a division of CCLR) at the National Brownfields Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. The Summit will bring together private, public and non-profit leaders from across the redevelopment industry and connect them with key decision makers in the nation's capital. Hear the latest in redevelopment policies, programs, and funding opportunities and interact directly with leading federal agency personnel. Whatever your role as a redevelopment practitioner is, the Summit is the must-attend brownfields event of 2018. For information and registration go to: <https://www.cclr.org/dc-leadership-summit-092018>

## **2018 Southeast Brownfield Conference**

**September 26-28, 2018**

**Birmingham, AL**

You're invited to the 3rd Annual [Southeast Brownfield Conference](#), taking place in Birmingham, AL from Wednesday, September 26, 2018 to Friday, September 28, 2018.

The Conference is a forum for developers, real estate professionals, environmental professionals, state environmental agencies, tribes, local governments, non-profit organizations, and community members interested in brownfield redevelopment. More than 200 attendees are anticipated from all Southeastern states, providing great opportunities for you to network with old friends and new prospects. The conference is organized by the Alabama Brownfields Association (ALBFA), the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Alabama is proud to be hosting this regional conference this year and to continue to build upon last year's successful state conference.

To view the agenda and lodging information, and to register, go to:

<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1130022048030&ca=839d6215-c495-4329-ba36-2e7e120a57f2>

## **PA Brownfields Conference**

**October 1-3, 2018**

**Lehigh Valley, PA**

The 2018 Conference is set for October 1-3, 2018 at the [Sands Bethlehem](#) in the Lehigh Valley area of Pennsylvania.

Plan to join us to learn about opportunities for transforming communities throughout the commonwealth. Conference attendees will experience the Lehigh Valley's success in creating a vibrant destination where people want to live, work, play and visit. The

Conference is planned in collaboration between the [Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection](#) (DEP) and the [Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania](#) (ESWP). For more information, go to:

<https://eswp.com/brownfields/overview/>

## **2018 Annual Environmental Job Development All-Grantee Meeting**

**August 8-9, 2018**

**Crowne Plaza Old Town Alexandria**

**901 N. Fairfax Street**

**Alexandria, VA 22314**

The workshop is hosted by HMTRI in cooperation with EPA. Workshop and hotel for three nights are covered. Your cost includes transportation to Alexandria and meals

### **This meeting will be attended by:**

- EPA Regional and Headquarters staff
- Present EPA-funded Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training (EWDJT) grantees
- Past EWDJT grantees
- PLC members are invited
- Unfunded applicants are invited

Contact Bruce Diamond for additional registration assistance at [bdiamond@eicc.edu](mailto:bdiamond@eicc.edu).

## **8. FUNDING OPPORTUNITES**

### **Funding Available to Strengthen Appalachia's Coal-Impacted Economies**

Proposal due date:

July 27, 2018 (180 days after release date) Cycle 2

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) announces a new request for proposals (RFP) for funding POWER (Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization) Initiative for fiscal year 2018. POWER is a congressionally funded initiative that targets federal resources to help coal-impacted communities and regions by cultivating economic diversity, enhancing **job training and re-employment opportunities, creating jobs in existing or new industries, and attracting new sources of investment**. The focus of ARC's POWER Initiative for FY18 will remain on investments that are regional, strategic, and transformational and that maximize the economic revitalization of coal-impacted communities and regions. Over the next two months, ARC will host five free workshops across the Region for community leaders, industry representatives, and economic development officials to learn about the objectives of the 2018 POWER Initiative, which organizations are eligible for funding, and how to develop a competitive funding proposal. [For more information click here](#)

Access the full RFP at the following address:

<https://www.arc.gov/images/grantsandfunding/POWER2018/RFP/POWER-RFP-2018.pdf>

### **US EPA Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**

Environmental justice (EJ) is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies.

The Environmental Justice Small Grants Program provides financial assistance to eligible nonprofit organizations and tribal governments to build collaborative partnerships, identify local environmental and public health issues, envision solutions, and empower the community through education, training, and outreach. Environmental Justice Small Grants fund projects up to \$30,000.

For more information, go to:

<https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-grants-funding-and-technical-assistance>

### **The 2018 Department of Transportation BUILD Discretionary Grants**

#### **The other BUILD ACT – not to be confused with The 2018 BUILD Act & EPA Brownfields Program**

The 2018 Department of Transportation BUILD Discretionary Grants NOFO are currently available. The DOT's BUILD Discretionary Grant (not to be confused with the BUILD Act) replaces the previous DOT TIGER program.

BUILD Discretionary grant information located at <https://www.transportation.gov/BUILDgrants>.

Link to original NOFO (.pdf):

[https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/policy-initiatives/build/114796/fed-reg-build-nofo-2018\\_0.pdf](https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/policy-initiatives/build/114796/fed-reg-build-nofo-2018_0.pdf)

Link to DOT Build webinar outreach slides, which highlights Environmental Protection criteria on Slide 13

<https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/subdoc/236/final-how-compete-build-52418.pdf>

This \$1.5B program is for communities seeking infrastructure funds to assist in community revitalization. Below is excerpt related to brownfield redevelopment as well as original announcement.

**9. EPA REGIONAL JOB TRAINING COORDINATORS**

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**10. TUNE INTO THE NEXT PLC CALL – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018**

**Cycle 19 – 2018 Environmental workforce PLC schedule**

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| 8/01/2018 Session 194 | 10/10/2018 Session 199 |
| 8/15/2018 Session 195 | 10/24/2018 Session 200 |
| 8/29/2018 Session 196 | 11/07/2018 Session 201 |
| 9/12/2018 Session 197 | 11/21/2018 Session 202 |
| 9/26/2018 Session 198 |                        |

Join our 30 minute discussion with EPA EWDJT grantees, alumni and new interested stakeholders.

PLCs give grantees a chance to highlight their programs and an opportunity for others to learn from their experience.

Email questions or to be placed on the PLC register send contact information to [hkballou@eicc.edu](mailto:hkballou@eicc.edu).

Feel free to invite a guest! Send your contact information to Heather Ballou at [hkballou@eicc.edu](mailto:hkballou@eicc.edu).

Visit our [HMTRI Brownfields Toolbox](#) website for more information on Brownfields Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training programs. All [PLC session notes and recordings](#) are also located on the website. For those interested in providing content or suggestions, please contact Heather Ballou at [hkballou@eicc.edu](mailto:hkballou@eicc.edu).

**NOTE:** The PLC brings together ideas and opinions of individuals interested in environmental workforce development and job training. Ideas and opinions are not those of EPA or its policy and should not be taken as official guidance.

