



Conference on  
**TOXICS**

What are the **RISKS** to Human Health and the Environment  
*from*  
**TOXIC** Contaminants?

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How are we responding?

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Science, Laws, Regulations, Programs, Priorities  
Human Health & Ecological Risk Assessments  
PFAS, Air Toxics, Diesel  
Toxics Reduction Strategies

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# AGENDA

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**8:00-8:20 Registration & Continental Breakfast**

**8:20-8:30 Welcome & Conference Overview**

**HOLLY DUNCAN**

Environmental Law Education Center

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## **LAWS REGULATIONS, PROGRAMS AND AGENCY PRIORITIES**

**8:30-9:00 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Programs and Priorities**

\* What are "Toxics" under Cleanup and Water Quality Laws and Programs?

\* How is EPA responding?

**DAN OPALSKI**

Director, Office of Water & Watersheds

US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

**9:00-9:30 Protecting Public Health and the Environment**

\* Where do TOXICS fit into Oregon DEQ's priorities & actions?

\* Oregon Toxics Reduction Strategy

**LEAH FELDON**

Deputy Director

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

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**9:30-9:45 BREAK**

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## **TOXICITY & RISK**

**9:45-10:15 Science of Toxicity**

\* How do we determine what is **toxic**?

\* How do we understand **risk** under current regulations?

**LISA SABAN, MS**

Windward Environmental

**10:15-10:45 Ecological Risk Assessments**

\* Oregon DEQ's (New!) Ecological Risk Assessment Guidance Document

\* Determining What Level of Remediation is Protective

**MADI NOVAK**

Remedial Action Project Manager/Toxicologist

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

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**10:45-11:00 BREAK**

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## **HOT TOPIC: PER- AND POLYFLOUROALKYL SUBSTANCES**

### **11:00-11:30 US EPA PFAS Action Plan**

- \* Concrete steps EPA is taking to address PFAS and protect public health

**LINDA ANDERSON-CARNAHAN**

Associate Director  
Office of Environmental Assessment  
US Environmental Protection Agency

### **11:30-12:00 PFAS: Compliance Update**

- \* What you need to know about PFAS regulation and compliance
- \* Litigation: Who is getting sued?

**CHRISTOPHER RICH**

Perkins Coie LLP

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### **12:00-1:00 LUNCH (Provided)**

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## **RISKS TO PUBLIC HEALTH**

### **1:00-1:30 Assessing Health Risks to Sensitive Subpopulations**

- \* Fish Consumption – A route for exposure for PBTs
- \* New TSCA Risk Evaluation Rules

**DIANNE BARTON, PhD**

Water Quality Coordinator  
Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission  
Chair, National Tribal Toxics Council

### **1:30-2:00 Portland Harbor**

- \* Addressing Public Health Through Environmental Cleanup
- \* Portland Harbor Superfund Site

**JESSICA HAMILTON**

Director, Portland Harbor Environmental  
Port of Portland

### **2:00-2:30 Human Health Risks from Toxic Air Contaminants**

- \* Air Toxics & Cleaner Air Oregon
- \* Diesel Update & Proposed Legislation (HB 2007)

**MARY PEVETO**

President  
Neighbors for Clean Air

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### **2:30-2:45 BREAK**

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## **TOXICS REDUCTION STRATEGIES**

### **2:45-3:15 Oregon DEQ'S Integrated Approach to Reducing Toxics**

- \* Addressing PFAS & Emerging Contaminants in Oregon
- \* Programs, Plans and Statewide Strategies

**KEVIN MASTERSON**

Agency Toxics Coordinator  
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

### **3:15-3:45 EPA Toxics Reduction Strategies**

- \* Columbia River Basin and Lower Willamette River Strategies
- \* Watershed-Based Collaboration to Reduce Toxics

**MARY LOU SOSCIA**

Columbia Basin Coordinator  
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

### **3:45-4:15 Local Government Response**

- \* Municipalities' Actions to Address Toxics
- \* Emerging Contaminants

**ANDREW SWANSON**

Clackamas County Water Environment Services

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## **PANEL DISCUSSION**

### **4:15-5:00 Are we effectively addressing the risks to human health and the environment from toxics? How can we do it better?**

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