

Growing-Up Volunteer Monitoring

Come enjoy a weekend get-away in Shepherdstown, WV and attend the 2013 Volunteer Monitoring Conference! Learn how to improve your program's communication with social media and GIS. Discover the exciting work being done by volunteers in Shale gas monitoring and stream restoration. Held August 9-10 on the scenic campus of the [National Conservation Training Center \(NCTC\)](#), this conference will surely be a great way to meet, mingle and swap ideas.



You must complete a [session registration form](#), which provides your contact information and session selections. The session registration deadline is **July 26**. The sessions are concurrent so review the table below before choosing the sessions you wish to attend.

August 9		Friday	August 10		Saturday
	10:30 -	Registration/information		7:00-8:00	Registration/information
Room 1	1:00-2:30	TMDLs and Watershed Implementation Plans		6:30-8:00	Breakfast
Room 2	1:00-2:30	Data communication	Room 1	8:30-10:00	Using Social media
Room 3	1:00-2:30	Recruiting and training	Room 2	8:30-10:00	Shale gas monitoring
Room 4	1:00-2:30	Natural stream restoration	Room 3	8:30-10:00	Evaluating your program
	2:30-3:00	Break	Room 4	8:30-10:00	Lessons learned/Success stories
Room 1	3:00-4:30	Municipal Separate Stormwater (MS4)		10:00-10:30	Break
Room 2	3:00-4:30	Data visualization	Room 1	10:30-Noon	Collaboration and partnerships
Room 3	3:00-4:30	Quality assurance project plans (QAPPs)	Room 2	10:30-Noon	Bacteria monitoring
	5:00-7:00	Dinner	Room 3	10:30-Noon	Learning your macroinvertebrates
	7:00-9:00	Social time (bonfire)		Noon-1:30	Lunch - Climate change presentation

After July 26, contact NCTC at: (304) 876-7900 to reserve your room. The cost is \$144.00, which includes meals. **There are no registration fees.** Commuters must pay the cost of meals. Note: Check-in will occur in the entry auditorium, sessions will be held in one of the instructional areas. [Click-Here](#) for a campus map.

Scholarships of **\$100** are available to help to cover the cost of the travel and lodging. The recipients of the scholarship awards will be determined on a case-by-case basis (Note: You must be present and spending the night to be eligible; checks will be written to the name of the group, not individuals. To be considered **submit** a one-page write-up briefly describing your organization and your reasons for wanting to attend the conference. Also, provide an estimate your distance traveled and the expected costs of the trip. The submission deadline is **July 12**.

Contact [Tim Craddock](#) or [Glenn Nelson](#) for additional information.