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Those Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer with NMSHMM at the Isotopes Game in August

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EHMM Course

Thinking about getting your Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) or Certified Hazardous Materials Professional (CHMP) certification. Consider taking the Essentials of Hazardous Materials Management (EHMM) course. The NMSHMM Essentials of Hazardous Materials Management (EHMM) will be held on October 15 thru 17. See pages 4 and 5.



Navajo Mine / Four Corners Power Plant EIS Underway

The U.S. Department of Interior's Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to extend operation of the Four Corners Power Plant and a new permit area at the Navajo Mine. The EIS is required for major federal actions under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Both the power plant and mine are located southwest of Farmington in San Juan County, New Mexico.

OSM is currently in the scoping phase for the EIS. A scoping open house was held in Albuquerque on August 18. Other open houses were held in communities in Arizona,

Colorado, and New Mexico.

The EIS will evaluate environmental impacts of the following proposed action: (1) extend Four Corners Power Plant (operated by Arizona Public Service) operations; (2) issue a new mine permit area (Pinabete Permit); (3) renew the Navajo Mine permit to BHP Billiton Coal Company in 2014; and (4) renew transmission line rights-of-way. Cooperating agencies on the EIS include the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Nation, Hopi Tribe, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Environmental Protection



Electric power needs is a focus of the EIS.

Agency (USEPA), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and National Park Service.

Air quality and climate change will be a key issue. Under the Clean Air Act's Regional Haze Rule, use of Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) is required for old coal-fired power plants to reduce haze and improve visibility. The USEPA issued a proposed BART rule for the Four Corners Power Plant. To comply with this rule, additional nitrogen oxide controls would be installed on Four Corners Power Plant Units 4 and 5 by July 2018. The plant Units 1, 2, and 3 would be closed by January 2014.

The draft EIS is scheduled to be issued in fall 2013 and public meetings would be conducted at this time. The Final EIS would be issued in summer 2014. A Record of Decision is expected in fall 2014.

Information is available on the project EIS web site at <http://www.wrcc.osmre.gov/FCPPEIS.shtm> (although it may be easier to search for the "OSM" web site on Google). Comment can be emailed to FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov or mailed to Mr. Marcelo Calle, OSM Western Region, 1999 Broadway, Suite 3320, Denver, CO 80202-3050.



Reclamation is challenging in the arid environment of near the Four Corners Power Plant.

Upcoming NMSHMM Events

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Date	Event	Location
Sept. 20	Board Meeting	AMEC, 8519 Jefferson NE, 5:00 pm. Dinner served to all attendees.
Sept. 26	Luncheon Meeting	Tyler Irwin, CDM Smith, will speak on asbestos project in Libby, Montana. Location: Macaroni Grill, 2100 Louisiana Blvd. NE, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm.
Oct. 11	Board Meeting	AMEC, 8519 Jefferson NE, 5:00 pm. Dinner served to all attendees.
Oct. 15-17	EHMM Course	AMEC, 8519 Jefferson NE. More information at www.nmshmm.org
Oct. 16	Evening Social	Nexus Brewery, 4730 Pan American Freeway (east side of I-25 north of Montgomery), 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Nov. 14	Luncheon Meeting	Speaker from Albuquerque Environmental Health Department. Location: Macaroni Grill, 2100 Louisiana Blvd. NE, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm.
Nov. 15	Board Meeting	AMEC, 8519 Jefferson NE, 5:00 pm. Dinner served to all attendees.

The New Mexico Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association holds its regular luncheon meeting the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Corral Buffet & Grill, 10415 Central Avenue NE (@ Eubank), Albuquerque, NM 87123, Mike du Mond, e-mail: du_Mond@juno.com

We're on the Web!

See us at:
www.nmshmm.org

About NMSHMM..

NMSHMM's mission is to provide environmental professionals in the Southwest with a forum for professional development, education

and networking opportunities; and to offer our community environmental, health, and safety expertise.

**ESSENTIALS OF HAZARDOUS
MATERIALS MANAGEMENT COURSE
REGISTRATION**

Mail this form and your check/PO
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**New Mexico Society of Hazardous
Materials Managers (NMSHMM)
P.O. Box 93132**

Albuquerque, NM 87199

OR register online with Visa or
Mastercard:

www.nmshmm.org and click on EHMM
course.

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Registration Fee:

\$635 per person

\$595 before September 10, 2012

**\$525 DISCOUNTED RATE GOVERNMENT
EMPLOYEES (City, State, Federal,
University)**

**\$50 for hard-copy course manual
(recommended)**

\$300 Audit Rate for students who have
previously attended a NMSHMM-sponsored
course. No desk reference is provided at the
Audit Rate.

**No late Registration fees but cancellation
fees will be applied to withdrawals.**



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**ESSENTIALS OF HAZARDOUS
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Topics include:

- *Chemical and Physical Properties of Hazardous Materials*
- *Sampling and Laboratory Analysis of Hazardous Materials*
- *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)*
- *Radioactive Materials*
- *Toxicological Principles*
- *Industrial Hygiene*
- *Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) Requirements*
- *Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER)*
- *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*
- *RCRA Corrective Action and Treatment Technology*
- *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)*
- *Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA)*
- *Hazardous Materials Transportation*

Learn more about us and the course at www.nmshmm.org

This course is an excellent way to prepare for the CHMM and CHMP exams.

Many environmental professionals take the EHMM course to satisfy training requirements, enhance competence in the professions, and obtain information regarding new rules and regulations. The EHMM course is accepted by the Department of Energy (DOE) National Environmental Training Office (NETO) and is listed as a high quality training course in the NETA catalog.

Course instructors are experienced environmental professionals selected from business, industry, academia, and government agencies for their subject matter expertise and excellent feedback from previous students. A copy of the **AHMP Desk Reference of Hazardous Materials Management, Second Edition**, is included in the cost of the course. In addition an electronic version (thumb drive) of a course manual containing all slides of course materials will be provided on in advance of the training class.

A hard-copy course manual is available but must be ordered at the time of registration for an additional \$50.



Take advantage of your visit to enjoy the Southwest. The Albuquerque area combines a unique blend of multi-cultureless, natural beauty, profound historic attractions, museums, galleries, and spectacular climate. Visit Historic Old Town, play a game of golf, ride the tram to 10,000 feet in the Sandia Mountains, hike or bike in the National Forests, visit a nearby Indian Pueblo or casino, or ride the Roadrunner train to Santa Fe..

For more information on attractions and activities in the area, visit these websites:

Albuquerque Convention and Visitors Bureau:
www.itsatrip.org

New Mexico Department of Tourism:
www.newmexico.org

Santa Fe Visitor's Board:
www.santafe.org

COURSE REGISTRANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION.

**Course will be held at AMEC Environment & Infrastructure
8515 Jefferson St NE in Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113**

Potential students with questions or who require special accommodations should email Sandra Martin, Education Chair, at education@smatnmm.org.