

U.S. EPA's Technical Support Project

The U.S. EPA established the Technical Support Project (TSP) in 1987 to provide technical assistance to Regional Remedial Project Managers, Corrective Action Staff, and On-Scene Coordinators.

The TSP consists of a network of Regional Forums, like the Ground Water Forum, and specialized Technical Support Centers located in the Office of Research and Development (ORD), the Office of Radiation Programs (ORP) laboratories, and the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response's (OSWER) Environmental Response Team.



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Ground Water Forum



Visit our website at
<http://www.epa.gov/tio/tsp/gwforum.htm>

WHAT WE CAN DO FOR YOU

The Ground Water Forum is a group of ground water scientists that support the Superfund and RCRA programs in each of the ten EPA Regional offices. The group was organized to exchange up-to-date information related to ground water remediation issues at contaminated sites. Additional participants come from the EPA Laboratory System, EPA Headquarters, and states.

The Forum promotes communication between the Regions and the Laboratories and has three primary purposes:

1. To bring current state-of-the-science to each regional office as it is developed through the research efforts at the labs
2. To focus laboratory resources on research areas important to the ground water scientists working in each EPA Region
3. To maintain consistency in the interpretation of guidance and application of policy throughout the country.



Our Expertise

The Forum is a technical resource for remedial project managers, and develops technical transfer papers and training. Our expertise covers a broad range of ground water topics.

- Reviews of workplans and reports
- Interpretation of data
- Selection and evaluation of remedial technologies
- Monitored natural attenuation
- Phytoremediation
- Ground water/surface water field techniques and transition zone discharges
- Ground water geochemistry
- Subsurface vapor intrusion
- Capture zone analysis
- DNAPL characterization, migration, and remediation technologies
- Thermal remediation technologies
- Hydrogeology of fractured rock
- Long-term ground water monitoring optimization methods
- Five-year reviews
- Performance monitoring
- *In situ* bioremediation for organic contaminants
- Multi-increment sampling/decision unit sampling
- Ground water modeling
- Technical impracticability of ground water restoration
- Emerging contaminants

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Our Accomplishments

- ◆ Over 32 issue papers
- ◆ Sponsored trainings/presentations
- ◆ Published guidance documents and reports
- ◆ Technical workgroups
- ◆ Product reviews

Join the Ground Water Forum

The Forum disseminates information to Regional colleagues, and meets semi-annually to discuss technical and policy issues, new technologies, and to network with other Federal and state agencies. Contact your Regional Ground Water Forum representative from the listing located at www.epa.gov/tio/tsp/gwmember.htm about becoming a member.

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