



# Inside Pretreatment Newsletter

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## Who will be the new EPA Administrator?

The vetting, even for this non-cabinet position, seems to be moving forward. As I watch the newspaper articles highlighting the outgoing Administration's rush to pass rules, policies, and executive orders, I have to wonder if they hope some of these last minute mandates will stick. This is not unusual. Past administrations have done the same in their last months in office. I am always naïve when it comes to believing in political promises of *change*. Hopefully good change. *How much house-cleaning will happen at EPA?*

EPA has a lot of work to do. The Agency must focus limited resources on the problems with the highest risk, making direct implementation of environmental programs the priority, and rebuilding the credibility that has been lost.

People on the shortlist for EPA Administrator: Kathleen McGinty, Mary Nichols, Robert F. Kennedy, Ian Bowles, Lisa Jackson, Mary Nichols, and Dan Esty. Google the shortlist and you can see the others.

## Training for Local Governments

Add one of these workshops onto your vacation plans!

### Planning a Ski Trip?

Local Limits Training: February 9-11, 2009. Lakewood, Colorado. **Registration is open.**

Grease Program Development: February 12-13, 2009. Lakewood, Colorado. Instructor: Dan Tonello. **Registration is Open.**

### Six Flags Vacation

Local Limits Training: April 28-30, 2009. Arlington, Texas. Registration opens 1/1/09.

### Region 8 Pretreatment Workshop

IU Inspectors Training: May 11, 2009. Cody, Wyoming. **Registration is open.**

### Sight Seeing and Coastal Enjoyment

Local Limits Training: June 9-11, 2009. Portland, Oregon. Registration opens 1/1/09.

### Universal Studios and other Theme Parks

Local Limits Training: July 14-16, 2009. Orlando, FL. Registration opens 1/1/09.

These courses are for POTW Pretreatment staff and managers that work for local programs.

Be sure to go to: [www.CWACS.com](http://www.CWACS.com) and click on the Training Courses tab. This website is updated as registrations are received. On the website, you will find all locations being evaluated, their status, registration information as locations are finalized, registration deadlines, and number of spaces available. Workshops are generally limited to 50 attendees (most facilities do not have additional meeting space as the training date approaches and we want to keep these manageable to facility interaction).

### **Training in Other Locations**

If you are located in a central area and want the training course brought to your area, please contact us. Some of the considerations when contacting us include:

- Is there meeting space available at a reasonable cost, low cost or complimentary? (at least 50 people, classroom style, nearby dining locations)?
- How can possible attendees can be notified? (Our newsletter is received by 750+ pretreatment professionals, but there are locations that are not well covered).
- Are reasonable hotel accommodations available (e.g. safe location, parking, internet, etc)?

### **Biodiesel and Ethanol Facility Guidance Released**

I found to guidance documents that deal with regulatory compliance and requirements for these types of facilities recently released.

The website is: [www.epa.gov/region07/priorities/agriculture/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region07/priorities/agriculture/index.htm)

While these documents are not specific to only pretreatment, from what I have read so far, they are of interest and relevance in describing the industry and applicable regulations during construction and then during operation. Free and they can be downloaded from the site.

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