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Join the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network and EPA's Dr. Scot Hagerthey from your own workspace for a special Webinar session, "Causal assessments in streams and the CADDIS approach". Please join us on Thursday, May 9, 2013, 11:30 AM -12:30 PM. Please see the instructions below to join the webinar. To watch the presentation, "join the online meeting" and to hear the meeting, "join the teleconference" as we use voice over phone protocol.

Causal Assessments in Streams and the CADDIS Approach

This webinar will provide a general overview of causal assessment and how it relates to California's proposed biological objectives for perennial freshwater streams. It will outline the steps required to identify, using stressor identification, the likely causes of biological impairments.

More information can be found at:

- CADDIS provides a pragmatic guide for determining the causes of detrimental changes and undesirable biological conditions observed in aquatic systems.
 www.epa.gov/caddis/si home.html
- Concepts of Causation www.epa.gov/caddis/si concepts.html
- A Chronological History of Causation for Environmental Scientists www.epa.gov/caddis/si history.html
- A Conceptual and Historical Explanation of Our Causal Approach www.epa.gov/caddis/si approach.html
- Proposed Policy for Biological Objectives for (Perennial Streams & Rivers of) the State of California
 www.waterboards.ca.gov/plans policies/biological objective.shtml
- Biological Objectives for CA Streams Causal Assessment Conceptual Workplan www.waterboards.ca.gov/plans policies/docs/biological objective/causl asmt wkpln.pdf

Dr. Scot Hagerthey

Dr. Scot Hagerthey is an Ecologist in the Office of Research and Development's National Center for Environmental Assessment at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The focus of his research is the development and implementation of methods for conducting effective and informative environmental assessments. His particular interests are assessing ecological condition, establishing causal relationships, developing predictive tools, assessing restoration outcomes, and quantifying ecological risk. A phycologist by training, his career has focused primarily on algae as biological indicators of aquatic ecosystem condition.

Meeting information

Topic: CWQMCN Webinar Causal Assessments

Date: Thursday, May 9, 2013

Time: 11:00 am, Pacific Daylight Time (San Francisco, GMT-07:00)

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