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Join the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board’s Victor Izzo from your own workspace for a 1-hour Webinar session “Introductory Mine Waste Characterization”. The webinar will be on Thursday, January 20 from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Please login 15 minutes early, see the instructions below to join the webinar. Materials for this Webinar will be posted at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/monitoring_council/collaboration_network/index.shtml

Introductory Mine Waste Characterization

Victor Izzo graduated with a B.S. in Geology and has worked in the Regional Water Quality Control Board system for the past 25 years. Over the past 14 years he has worked in the Title 27 Program, which includes primarily mines, landfills and surface impoundments. Much of the mine work includes evaluating and designing monitoring programs to determine the water quality impacts from mining and to characterize the threat to water quality from a mine site.

The Webinar will discuss what constituents should be initially sampled for at a mine site and the bases of that sampling. A how to guidance will be presented explaining mine waste characterization protocol? Some discussion of individual mine sites will be included.

Topic: CWQMCN Webinar: Introductory Mine Waste Characterization
Date: Thursday, January 20, 2011
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We have set up a web page for the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network at:

Materials (if available), including past webinars will be posted on the website. The recorded webinars and associated materials are located under 'Monthly Webinars'.
We hope to use this web page to help you network with each other and with the larger monitoring community. So, feel free to give us your ideas on how to make it better.

New participants can join the webinar listserv by signing up on the web at
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml. Enter your email address and name, place a check mark next to "Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network - Webinar Sessions", then click the "subscribe" button.

Many of us in the water quality monitoring community have been looking for a California forum for sharing our ideas, successes and common concerns. In response to that need, the California Water Quality Monitoring Council is partnering with the Water Board's Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program, the Nonpoint Source Program and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to launch a monthly conference call to support the activities of regional monitoring programs.

The Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network began as a voluntary monthly conference call that members of the monitoring community participated in and discussed topics meeting their interests. The conference call format and content varied in response to input from participants and subsequently changed to a Webinar format. Sessions are planned to share technical and support tools for monitoring, assessment and reporting; to encourage discussion on common concerns like information management; and to provide a forum for networking.

It is envisioned that the Collaboration network will help support a state framework to coordinate consistent and scientifically defensible methods and strategies for improving water quality monitoring, assessment, and reporting.