



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
69A HAGOOD AVENUE  
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA 29403-5107

February 7, 2013

Regulatory Division

**MEETING NOTICE**

The Corps of Engineers regulatory program relies heavily on the agency's ability to accurately and efficiently identify and delineate waters of the United States, including open waters, tributaries, and wetlands. Skill and proficiency in wetland delineation come with experience and dedication to the practice.

As required, the Charleston District has committed to the use of the *Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Regional Supplement* (November 2010) and the *Eastern Mountains and Piedmont Regional Supplement* (April 2012) for all wetland delineations in South Carolina. These *Regional Supplements* to the 1987 wetland delineation manual are final and have been in required use for approximately two years now, including during the interim version periods.

To ensure accurate and complete submittals to the Corps of Engineers, the Charleston District will host meetings where use of these manuals will be discussed, particularly focusing on using the Wetland Determination Data Form (data sheets) to provide accurate documentation. Presentation and discussion content will focus on the data sheets, including addressing how to fill out the three main portions of the Form. This will include calculating vegetation species dominance; when to use the prevalence index for vegetation communities; hydrophytic vegetation indicator status and the new 2012 Plant List; soil profile descriptions with soil textures and redoximorphic features; hydric soils indicators and their relationship to the soil description; primary and secondary hydrology indicators as well as groups indicating observed inundation or saturation, recent inundation or saturation, or other site conditions/data. The goal of the meetings will be to promote attention to detail and proficiency in using the *Regional Supplements*, leading to improved consistency and ultimately timely determinations from this office.

In addition, the meetings will also include an introduction to the revised Charleston District Jurisdictional Determination Request Form and a presentation on information that is required for wetland delineation submittals.

Interested delineators are invited to participate in these meetings. Meeting times will be held for each Corps of Engineers Regulatory office location. Interested delineators should sign-up for one meeting time at the location nearest them. Please do not sign-up for more than one meeting time as seating will be limited and presentations at each session will be same. Please use the attached Registration Form **and return by close of business on February 25, 2013**. Additional information will be provided to registrants.

## MEETING LOCATIONS AND DATES

### **Conway Meeting**

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Location: Johnny Shelley Agriculture Facility  
1949 Industrial Park Road, Conway, SC 20526  
Conference Room A

March 5, 2013 (seating limited to 40 people per session)

- Session #1 9am-12pm
- Session #2 1pm-4pm

### **Charleston Meeting**

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Location: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District Headquarters  
69-A Hagood Avenue, Charleston, SC 29403  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room

March 13, 2013 (seating limited to 20 people per session)

- Session #1 9am-12pm
- Session #2 1pm-4pm

March 14, 2013 (seating limited to 20 people per session)

- Session #3 9am-12pm
- Session #4 1pm-4pm

### **Columbia Meeting**

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Location: South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control  
2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201  
Peoples Auditorium

March 27, 2013 (seating limited to 40 people per session)

- Session #1 9am-12pm
- Session #2 1pm-4pm

Please return registration forms to Tracy Sanders by **close of business on February 25, 2013**

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