

You are invited to a general stakeholder meeting to discuss ways to better achieve environmental improvements through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Compliance and Enforcement Programs.

**WHEN:** Monday, December 13, 2010 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

**WHERE:** Public Hearing Room  
NJDEP building  
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Trenton, NJ 08625

**RSVP:** requested by December 8, 2010  
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Participation is by invitation only; please call to coordinate attendance by a designee or substitute. Participation via webinar may be possible, but is not certain. Attendance is encouraged. If you cannot attend but would participate via webinar if available, please indicate this when responding.

We anticipate capturing all audio of the meeting along with any webinar recording. This is not a rulemaking or formal public hearing and the Department does not anticipate responding to any written comments it receives.

**Purpose:**

1. Exploring new conceptual models

We seek input on ways to improve the compliance and enforcement systems of work, the products and services it delivers and the results it can achieve in service of the Department's mission, goals and priorities while ensuring no back-sliding or give-back of historic environmental advances or gains..

2. Clarifying desired results and developing broad measures

A second objective of the phase 1 stakeholder session includes development of the results that a newly conceptualized program of compliance and enforcement would be empowered to seek, would be capable of delivering, and would improve upon the current default measures driving enforcement work today.

**A few of the questions we hope to answer include:**

1. What is the current regulatory regime delivering today?
2. What improvements might be possible outside the current regulatory regime?
3. What is the full scope of functions appropriate for compliance and enforcement staff?
4. How can we be sure enforcement work is optimized for environmental results?

**Background material** - The following sources are suggested in preparation for our anticipated discussion:

Compliance and Enforcement strategic plan

<http://www.state.nj.us/dep/enforcement/strategicplan6-25-2007.pdf>

Much of the plan remains pertinent to our interests going forward but it is open to reconsideration by the wide group of stakeholders we are now engaging. Some elements of the plan have been pursued since its inception although it still largely lacks an effective means of ongoing measurement.

Sources on conceptual changes:

“Delivering for the environment” UK Environment Agency [http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/static/documents/Business/delivering\\_1906007.pdf](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/static/documents/Business/delivering_1906007.pdf)

“Compliance, Enforcement and Innovation”, Neil Gunningham, 2004

<http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/18/38/33947825.pdf>

Sources on measures:

*An Introduction To Environmental Compliance & Enforcement Indicators*

<http://www.inece.org/indicators/brochure.pdf>

A Performance Management Framework for State and Local Government:

<http://www.pmcommission.org/APerformanceManagementFramework.pdf>