



## **AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICPATE IN OUR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE WEBINAR SERIES!**

The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, is pleased to invite you to a Webinar Series on the subject of Environmental Justice. This series seeks to follow-up and expand upon the excellent information shared during the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council meeting (NEJAC), which was hosted by ECOS President John Stine and the state of Minnesota in April of this year. In doing so, ECOS hopes to share the success stories and actions that are being taken by environmental professionals at the state level and foster an informative discussion about the role states play in environmental justice.

### **FIRST WEBINAR: COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

Often, community outreach is a first and very important step in working to implement an environmental justice program. Our hope is to highlight successful state outreach actions in this first and important discussion on state environmental justice actions. This webinar is tentatively scheduled to occur during the last week of July.

### **SECOND WEBINAR: INTERNAL PRACTICES**

Internal practices that keep environmental justice at the forefront of state environmental decisions help to assure uniformity and consistency within state programs. This second discussion will feature state programs that are taking measures internally to make sure that environmental justice is being attained in the communities targeted by outreach programs. This webinar is currently scheduled to occur during the last week of September.

### **THIRD WEBINAR: ENVIRONMENTAL EQUITY THROUGH INTERACTIONS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESSES**

Often, in order to perpetuate success in environmental justice programs, local government and business players will need to be on board to help. This final discussion will present state successes in working with local and community stakeholders to facilitate environmental equity in communities. This final webinar is scheduled to occur in the last week of October.

### **SHARE YOUR SUCCESS WITH US!**

Please let us know if you would like to share your state's story about actions taken in any of these three areas. The NEJAC meeting in April revealed many state programs that are making great strides in environmental justice. This Series will offer an opportunity to discuss even more opportunities available through state environmental programs. If you have any questions, please let us know, and we look forward to hearing about the successes of your programs. Thank you!