

Environmental Support and Outreach to the Small Campuses Statewide

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Outline-What we will discuss during today's session

- Just what is out there?
- A closer look at the dynamic work between sites
- Environmental, health and safety support that is available
- Assessment of the sites/Roadmap for improvements
- Communications-The key to program success
- Programs implemented for site support
- Budget considerations
- Process improvement

Just what is out there?

- Marine and agricultural sites
- Site sizes which vary greatly
- Primarily research
- Low budget
- Low priority
- Very productive
- Strong contributions and importance

A Closer Look at the Dynamic Work Between Sites

- Marine sites are similar in size, but agricultural sites are much larger
- Distance to sites vary from 50-300 miles
- Hazardous waste needs are similar, but vary greatly in the amount of waste
- Similar training, different application
- Frequency of visits varies greatly

Environmental, Health and Safety Support that is Available

- Experience of Environmental Safety Division
- Many areas of expertise
- Many resources and contacts
- Commitment to support
- Full time staff

Assessment of the Sites Roadmap for Improvements

- Evaluation of the labs-Once a year sweep of the sites versus frequent visits
- Evaluation of training-current status and means to train (on-site and on-line)
- Assessment of the hazardous waste process and current waste and chemical situation-old process/pitfalls vs. the new process
- Site Assessment

Communications

- Initial communications in establishing the “Support and Outreach for the Outlying Facilities” program
- On-going communications after establishment of the program
- New Opportunities for continued communication to all sites

Programs Implemented for Site Support

- Coverage provided to all sites consisting of lab inspections, fume hood flow testing, eye wash and shower testing
- Additional Coverage to selected sites consisting of training, radiation inspections, respirator fit test, regulatory guidance, hazardous waste disposals, web site, surplus

Budget Considerations

- Fixed costs for the operation of the program-salary and office
- Additional costs-vehicle, gas, food, and lodging
- Wish List items-training, attendance to conferences, equipment, supplies

Process Improvements

- Adjustments to established programs
- Expansion of existing programs
- Addition of programs
- Continued evaluation and assessment of the program components
- Continued communication and feedback to ensure we stay on track

Questions

- If you do not have any questions now, but want to talk with me after the presentation, please do so
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