

# EPA Coastal Communications

## *EMAP Symposium 2004: Integrated Monitoring & Assessment for Effective Water Quality Management*

EPA/ORD, CSG, NOAA

### **Description:**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP) Symposium 2004 is jointly sponsored by EPA's Office of Research and Development, the Council of State Governments (CSG) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and will convene in Newport, Rhode Island from May 3-7, 2004. The Symposium will present advances in monitoring and assessment targeted to meet emerging State and Tribal needs and examples of research and technology transfer that have led to more efficient, less expensive, and more scientifically rigorous monitoring and assessment programs. Expert managers and scientists from Federal, State, Tribal, local government, academic, and non-profit organizations will contribute to platform and poster presentations during this symposium. Opportunities will be available for those with experience in the design and implementation of water quality monitoring and assessment programs to exchange ideas during the poster session, discussion groups and workshops.



### **Focus & Abstract Submission Date:**

The EMAP Symposium 2004 will provide a venue to present and discuss research in three thematic areas: 1) Monitoring the Condition of Aquatic Resources; 2) Methods to Integrate Monitoring and Assessment for Clean Water Act 305b and 303d Reporting; and 3) Monitoring to Establish Aquatic Life Uses, Develop Criteria, and Evaluate Use Attainment. All abstracts for both the platform presentations and posters must be received no later than January 30, 2004.

### **Contacts:**

Further information on the EMAP Symposium 2004, including abstract submittal and registration forms, full theme descriptions and hotel information can be obtained from Brian Melzian, U.S. EPA (401) 782-3188 [melzian.brian@epa.gov](mailto:melzian.brian@epa.gov); or Amanda Mays, Council of State Governments (859) 244-8236 [amays@cs.org](mailto:amays@cs.org); or by visiting our website at <http://www.csg.org> keyword "EMAP".