

Course Outline

- I. Response Authorities and Limitations
 - A. Statutory authorities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and OPA
 - B. OSC responsibilities
- II. Knowing the NCP
 - A. Evolution and organization of the NCP
 - B. Duties of the OSC
- III. Planning and Preparedness
 - A. National Response System organization and function
 - B. Facility responsibilities
- IV. Oil Spill Response
 - A. Oil spill response management
 - B. Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund
- V. Hazardous Substance Response
 - A. Discovery or notification
 - B. Emergency response operations
 - C. Removal site evaluation
 - D. Determining the need for a removal action
 - E. Enforcement: Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) participation
 - F. Writing the Action Memorandum
 - G. Planning a removal action
 - H. Conducting a removal action
 - I. Completing the removal action
- VI. Emerging Issues and Activities

Target Audience and Registration Information

The *Removal Process* course is a 4 ½-day workshop held at least twice a year in or near EPA regional offices. Visit <http://www.trainex.org> and select the CERCLA Education Center to view the current schedule of offerings and register to attend. Course offerings are listed under *Removal Process*.

There are no tuition costs for this training course, which is intended for personnel of federal, state, and local agencies and tribes. Other environmental professionals, such as state and tribal project managers, also may benefit from the course.

This beginner-level course is geared for OSCs who are responsible for or need to know about removal response activities under CERCLA. *Fundamentals of Superfund* is a prerequisite course for EPA employees who would like to attend the *Removal Process* course.

Participants will receive reference material, including a detailed manual and searchable CD-ROM, to continue their education after the course ends.

Other CERCLA Education Center Courses

- ❖ *The OSC Readiness Training Program* - Strengthens an OSC's knowledge and skills essential to successful job performance. This annual training program showcases regional case studies, current tools, and other resources available to OSCs. For more information visit www.oscreadiness.org.
- ❖ *OSC 201* - Provides a hands-on approach to prepare OSCs for the daily challenges encountered during a removal action and an emergency response.
- ❖ *OSC Warrant Authority Training* - Provides an overview of the contracting and program authorities vested in a warranted OSC and explains the various tools, procurement and non-procurement, that are available to an OSC during emergency and time-critical removals. This training is for EPA OSCs, Project Officers, and Contracting Officers.
- ❖ *Waste Treatment, Transportation, and Disposal Course* - Informs OSCs about specific technical and regulatory issues that they must address when treating, transporting, and disposing of waste from removal actions.

