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Subject: Training – Availability of Web-based Course on Water-Quality Principles (QW1022-TEL)

This Water-Quality Information Note (WaQI Note) announces a new, Web-based course in water-quality principles. This course was developed by the Office of Water Quality to serve and facilitate the need of Water Science Center personnel who are or will be engaged in water-quality studies and who would benefit from review or foundational training in topics covering the spectrum of the water-quality discipline. Registration for "Water-Quality Principles" (course QW1022-TEL) is open through January 4, 2012.

Brief Description: "Water-Quality Principles" is available only online, offering Water Science Center (Center) personnel and other interested students the opportunity of taking water-quality principles training in a self-paced format at their local Center. This course replaces the Water-Quality Principles class that previously was taught at the National Training Center in Denver. It complements the 2-week water-quality field course by providing an introduction to the principles, concepts, and practices that underlie the development and execution of water-quality studies. Lesson modules consist of lecture material, readings, instructional and informational videos, and real-time sessions with an instructor who is a subject-matter expert. More detailed information about this course can be found in the attachment to this WaQI Note.

Dates: January 9 – February 9, 2012. This course is self-paced within the constraints of the dates shown. It is recommended, however, that students plan to complete this 40-hour course within 2 weeks after the start date. Currently only one offering has been scheduled for FY 2012.

Registration and Tuition: Registration through DOI Learn is now open. Employees who are interested in this training must obtain approval from the appropriate Center manager or supervisor. After requesting the course in DOI Learn, the student must e-mail GS_OED-TEL@usgs.gov to obtain an ID and password for access to the course on a dedicated Office of Organizational and Employee Development (OED) server. Tuition for the course is \$300.

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