

VAPSS Spring Technical Session

How to Use NRCS Hydric Soil Indicators

May 22, 2007

Marriott Courtyard, Chester Virginia

Sponsored By:

*Virginia Association of Professional Soil Scientists (VAPSS)
Virginia Tech Department of Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences*

Registration deadline is May 8. Registration will be limited to 50 attendees. This intensive one-day workshop will focus on the history, rationale and use of USDA-NRCS Hydric Soil Indicators (HSI) which are now used for “proof positive” of occurrence of hydric soil conditions for wetland delineation and other regulatory applications. CEUs are not provided.

Schedule and Topics for May 22

8:00 am	Registration and Coffee
8:30 am	History of HSI; Aquic Conditions vs. Hydric Soils
9:30 am	Overview of HSI and Regional Framework
10:30 am	Break
10:45 am	Current HSI for Region III
12:00 pm	Adjourn for Lunch
1:30 pm	Meet at field study site* (maps will be provided)
4:30 pm	Review overall findings for the day
5:00 pm	Adjourn

**Note: Safe parking at field site is limited and we will mandate carpools.*

Instructors: John Galbraith and others

John Galbraith is an Associate Professor of Soil Environmental Science at Virginia Tech and teaches courses in soil morphology, soil taxonomy, soil cartography, and wetland soils. He is Virginia’s representative to the mid-Atlantic Hydric Soils Committee and has played a major role in the development of the current suite of Hydric Soil Indicators in use in our region.

Location and Fees:

The short-course morning sessions will be held at Marriott Courtyard in Chester, Virginia (804-414-1010; <http://marriott.com/hotels/travel/riccy-courtyard-richmond-chester/>). The hotel is just southeast of I-95 on Route 10. The afternoon field session will be held on VDOT property near Fort Lee and will focus on HSI identification in natural and constructed wetlands. The fee for the workshop is \$65 which includes two coffee/snack breaks and duplication of teaching materials.

For Further Information:

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Registration Form

VAPSS Workshop on Hydric Soil Indicators

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Amount enclosed \$ 65.00

Registration deadline is May 15th. Registration maximum is limited to 50 attendees.
Contact Sue Brown to pay by credit card. Payment must be made prior to the meeting to assure space.

Make checks payable to VAPSS

Mail check with registration form to:

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