

Environmental Planning: Integrating NEPA into NPS Activities (Director's Order 12)

NPS Northeast Region, Philadelphia Office

May 22-24, 2012

This course will focus on implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) using Director's Order 12 (DO-12), *Conservation Planning, Environmental Impact Analysis and Decision Making* and its accompanying DO-12 Handbook. The course will cover topics such as the Environmental Screening Form, NEPA Pathways, impact analysis, public involvement, and NPS NEPA case law. The course also briefly covers other regulatory requirements as they relate to NEPA implementation, such as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

Course Objectives:

1. Understand the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act in federal decision-making.
2. Understand how to conduct or participate in a NPS NEPA process using Director's Order 12 and accompanying Handbook.
3. Be able to use an Environmental Screening Form to identify potential environmental impacts and determine the appropriate NEPA pathway.
4. Know the requirements for preparing legally sufficient NEPA analysis and decision documents, including Memo to File, CE, EA, EIS, FONSI and ROD.
5. Understand the requirements for and contents of an Administrative Record.

Participants: Park Superintendents, Managers, Park NEPA coordinators or other staff involved with meeting NEPA requirements. Priority given to NER staff. NPS employees from outside NER or contractors may be accepted if space is available.

Dates: May 22 – 24, 2012. Class starts at 8:00 am and concludes at 5:00 pm

Location: NPS Northeast Region office, 3rd Floor Training Room, 200 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106

Travel Cost: Travel paid by benefitting account.

Application: Apply through DOI Learn. On the "Welcome" page, click on "Search the Catalog" near the center of the page. Search on "Environmental Planning: Integrating NEPA." You must first apply then your supervisor must approve the class in DOI Learn. Selection emails with logistic information will be sent the week of April 30, 2012.

NPS Course

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