



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC)

Invite you to a

2009 Border 2012 Program Request for Proposal (RFP) Information Workshop In the Region 6 Border Area

(Texas, New Mexico, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon, and Tamaulipas)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 and the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) will be hosting a series of workshops to share information and answer questions about the upcoming Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Border 2012 Program in Region 6. The Border 2012 Program in Region 6 covers 100 km/62.5 miles on either side of the U.S.-Mexico border between the states of Texas, New Mexico, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas. The Border 2012 U.S.-Mexico Environmental Program goals are to protect human health and the environment in the border region. It also seeks to improve environmental health and reduce pollution in water, air, and on land, reduce exposure to chemicals from accidental releases and improve environmental stewardship.

The Region 6 RFP opens on June 1, 2009 and closes on July 31, 2009. Interested applicants will be able to access the RFP on the EPA (www.epa.gov/border2012) and BECC's web page (www.cocef.org) on this date. Proposals can be submitted by eligible applicants only. Eligible applicants are U.S. and Mexican non-governmental organizations, local, state and Federal governmental agencies, industry associations, universities, U.S. tribes, and Mexican indigenous communities. For-profit entities are not eligible to apply. For updated information on the workshops and for a copy of the RFP which will be available on June 1, 2009, please visit BECC's website or the Border 2012 website listed above. Following are the workshop locations and details:

Check website for updates:

www.cocef.org or
<http://www.epa.gov/Border2012/>

McAllen, Texas (IS)

Wednesday, May 27, 2009, 3:00p.m.-5:00p.m.
Texas A&M Health Science Center South Texas Center
[2101 South McColl Road](#)
[McAllen, TX 78503-1489](#)

Alpine, Texas

Thursday, June 4, 2009, 1p.m.-3p.m.
Kokernot Lodge
[1104 Loop Rd](#)
[Alpine, TX 79830-3232](#)

Laredo, Texas (IS)

Thursday, May 28, 2009, 9a.m.-11a.m.
City of Laredo Public Works Building
[5512 Thomas Avenue](#)
[Laredo, TX 78041](#)

El Paso, Texas (IS)

Friday, June 5, 9:00a.m.-11a.m.
[2616 W Paisano Drive](#)
[El Paso, TX 79922](#)

Eagle Pass, Texas (IS)

Friday, May 29, 2009, 2p.m.-4p.m.
International Center for Trade Facility
[3295 Bob Rogers Drive](#)
[Eagle Pass, TX 78852](#)

Deming, New Mexico

Friday, June 5, 2p.m.-4p.m.
Special Events Center
[2300 E. Pine](#)
[Deming, NM 88030](#)

*** IS: Interpretation Services will be available in specified locations**

To better accommodate you, please let us know if you plan to attend by sending an e-mail to Ana Lozano at alozano@cocef.org at least a week before the workshop. Thank you!

If you have any questions about these informational workshops or the Region 6 RFP, please contact Gina Weber at weber.gina@epa.gov.

For questions regarding the Region 9 Border 2012 RFP, which opens May 1st, please e-mail Alheli Banos at banos.alheli@epa.gov.