



### 2005 Air Quality Action Days Kick-Off Conference Evaluation Summary

		1	2	3	4	5
1.	Overall rating of conference				4.2	
2.	Applicability of program content to my specific needs or interests			3.9		
3.	Quality of speakers and moderators				4.6	
4.	Quality of conference materials				4.2	
5.	Quality of conference site and facilities				4.5	
6.	Accessibility of conference center				4.4	
7.	Quality and range of exhibits			3.4		
8.	Quality of food and refreshments				4.4	
9.	Administration, including ease of registration				4.8	
10.	Adequate notification				4.8	

1=poor; 2=fair; 3=good; 4=very good; 5=excellent

#### Specific Comments:

- I thoroughly enjoyed the conference. It was extremely well organized, the speakers were able to effectively present a large amount of information in a compelling way, and I was able to learn a great deal about air pollution.
- Cost of parking at hotel was quite high. Could have provided additional, less costly, parking options, such as underground lot across from the hotel for \$9.00 per day. Difficulty eating continental breakfast without any tables. Coffee was very strong and ran out. Would have preferred starting 30 minutes later to avoid some of the rush hour traffic.
- I liked that it was Metro accessible. I was disappointed with attendance. I expected a much larger turn out.
- I would like to have a more detailed explanation of how all the pollutants contribute to determining the AQI. The seminar briefly mentioned that the AQI number is made up from several pollutants. I am still hazy about the math involved.
- I enjoyed Mr. Ryan's presentation tremendously. He made a dry subject very interesting and his presentation made air quality forecasting so much more fascinating to me because I have an interest in meteorology. His tips in forecasting air quality will be helpful for us working in Arlington County because of our new telecommuting policy for code red and orange days. I also enjoyed Ms. Stone's presentation. It opened my eyes up to what air pollution can do to your health.
- Thanks Jennifer. You personally did an extraordinary job.
- The conference could benefit from having more exhibitors and more time for people to interact with the exhibitors.
- Loved the talks by Susan Stone & Bill Ryan. Would like to have access to research Susan mentioned to use in our air quality outreach efforts.
- Enjoyable conference, good networking opportunity for someone new to the air quality Arena. Great overview of health effects and the reason we work to improve air quality.
- I found the speakers with more science-based presentation to be the most interesting. Specifically, I liked the presentations by Bill Ryan (Penn State) and Susan Stone (EPA).
- I enjoyed the conference, particularly the presentations about specific effects on the human body (Susan Stone) and specific conditions that cause ground level ozone (Bill Ryan). A little more time and setting conducive to meet other attendees of the conference. Over all it was a very good conference with interesting speakers. Thanks.
- This is my first AQ Action Day conference, so I may have been late in registering for it. But your system was flexible enough for me to come, and I enjoyed the day! Thanks.
- For the effort and content of the conference, it appears the response and participation was less than expected.



- This is no reflection on the coordinators, but on the outreach and encouragements of the active members, board executives, and other parties, we must extend ourselves to infusing more participation by others on our member rolls.

**Comments and Suggestions for Future Events:**

- More of Mr. Ryan please! Thank you for putting on a GREAT conference!
- The conference was very informative and very well planned. I would recommend this Conference to colleagues in the future.
- Location was excellent, although pricey, providing special rate for Conference attendees would make feasible for more.
- Perhaps some presentations on companies' experiences (successes and failures) with getting management, operational, and employee buy-in on implementing procedures for Action Days.
- We know that the air quality alert season starts in May. Would it be helpful to have the conference in April and any practical information and methods on response actions could be disseminated to partners to apply as modifications in their programs?