

Inland HABs Discussion Group
Webinar: Freshwater HABs Response Efforts Webinar

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| Date / Time | Thursday, October 20 th , 2016 // 11:00 am – 1:00 pm (Eastern Time) | |
| Organizers | Lorrie Backer, CDC, NCEH // Lesley V. D’Anglada, USEPA, OW, OST // Keith Loftin, USGS, KWSC | |
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| Time | Topic | Presenters |
| 11:00-11:15 | Updates from CDC, USGS and USEPA | Lorrie Backer, CDC Keith Loftin, USGS Lesley D’Anglada, USEPA |
| 11:15-11:45 | Overview of treatment techniques for cyanobacteria and their toxins in freshwater systems | Mario Sengco, Physical Scientist Office of Science and Technology, USEPA |
| 11:45-12:15 | The 2016 South Florida Cyanobacteria Bloom Season | David Whiting, Deputy Director Water Quality Standards and Laboratory Programs Florida Department of Environmental Protection |
| 12:15-12:45 | Lessons Learned from the 2016’s HABs in Utah | Benjamin M. Holcomb, Biological Assessment Program Coordinator Utah Department of Environmental Protection |
| 12:45 – 1:00 | Group Discussion | Keith Loftin, USGS |
| 1:00 pm | Adjourn | |

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PRESENTERS BIO

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