Data Trends: A Closer Look Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Grand Ballroom

Shelley Fudge, Moderator

Steve Witkin, Presenter

Steve Witkin is EPA's project officer for the TRI Explorer, TRI.NET, and TRI Analyzer data access tools. These tools are currently managed out of the office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics. Steve has been with the EPA for 20 years, most of the time working with TRI data. Prior to his federal career, he had a short stint with Maryland state government and spent more than 15 years in private industry as a mechanical engineer. His involvement with the TRI program began in 1987 as part of the regulated community. Steve is often called upon to assist reporters and researchers in navigating through and in understanding the TRI data.

Katherine Sleasman, Presenter

Katherine currently works in EPA's Office of Air on policy issues related to ozone depleting substances. Prior to working in OAR she did risk management for a variety of chemicals including diisocyanates, methylene chloride, trichloroethylene, and perfluorinated chemicals.

She received her B.A. in Environmental Studies from the George Washington University and her M.S. in Environmental Studies from Florida International University in Miami. Her graduate thesis work focused on water quality management in the Florida Keys and was published in Ocean and Coastal Management and the Water Policy journal.

Justin Scoggins, Presenter

Justin Scoggins is the data manager at the USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE) and the Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII), specializing in empirical analysis of social equity issues in the areas of environmental justice, regional equity, and immigrant integration. He is responsible for organizing the broad array of datasets used in and conducting the quantitative analyses called for by various projects, including work done under PERE's partnership with PolicyLink.

Madeline Wander, Presenter

Madeline Wander is Senior Data Analyst at the USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE) in Los Angeles where she conducts research focusing on environmental justice, regional equity, and social-movement building. She is the PERE staff lead on the <u>Environmental Justice Screening Method</u> and staffs PERE Director Manuel Pastor as an appointed member of the Strategic Growth Council, a state-level committee that allocates cap-and-trade revenue to California's disadvantaged communities. Madeline also sits on the Board of Directors of the Center for Race, Poverty, and the Environment. Prior to joining the PERE team, she pursued her passion for social justice through a variety of organizing efforts, including Housing LA, a broad affordable housing coalition convened by the Southern California Association of NonProfit Housing (SCANPH), and Barack Obama's 2008 campaign in Colorado. Madeline holds a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from UCLA and a BA degree in Urban and Environmental Policy from Occidental College.