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EVENTS OF INTEREST

[PAG's Calendar of Environmental Events](#)

Southeast Arizona Chapter of the American Meteorological Society

First meeting of the year will be held **Oct. 8, 2009**, 6:30 p.m. on the University of Arizona campus in Environment and Natural Resource building, room 253. Meeting topic "The 2009 Monsoon". Please RSVP: seacams@yahoo.com

Southwest Summit on Environment

The summit will be held **Oct. 8, 2009**, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, Arizona State University, Phoenix. For information and to RSVP, contact Inga Buchbinder, ibuchbinder@newamericamedia.org, Anthony D. Advincula, aadvincula@newamericamedia.org, or Viji Sundaram, vsundaram@newamericamedia.org or (415) 503-4170.

U.S. Green Building Council's GreenBuild Expo

The GreenBuild is the world's largest conference and expo dedicated to green building. Conference will be held at the Phoenix Convention Center, **Nov. 11-13, 2009**. [GreenBuild Expo](#).

Green Living Fair

The Green Living Fair will be held on **Nov. 14, 2009**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the HabiStore on Ajo, west of Palo Verde. For information: www.deq.pima.gov or 740-3349.

RESOURCES

['Live, Breathe Clean Air Flyer](#)

New Arizona Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Booklet

The Arizona Game and Fish Department, in cooperation with the State Parks Department, published a booklet containing OHV management laws currently in effect in Arizona and a list of places to ride in the state. Booklets are available at the National Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Land Department, State Parks and all Game and Fish Department offices. The booklet is also available at [Az State Parks](#) and [AZ Game and Fish](#).

Solar Informational Web site: Tucson Regional Economic Opportunities [Solar Web site](#)

Houses of Worship Can Earn Energy Star Label and Reduce their Carbon Footprint

Through Energy Star, EPA provides free tools for public and private organizations to save energy and money through increased energy efficiency. Portfolio Manager: [Portfolio Manager](#); Energy Star for congregations: [Congregations Energy Star](#).

EPA GreenChill Advanced Refrigeration Partnership

The GreenChill Advanced Refrigeration Partnership is an EPA cooperative alliance to promote advanced technologies that reduce refrigerant charges and emissions of ozone-depleting substances and greenhouse gases. [GreenChill](#)

EPA Emission Standards Reference Guide

This new Web site contains federal emission standards for on-road (light-duty and heavy-duty) and nonroad vehicles and engines and related fuel sulfur standards. [Reference Guide](#)

Green Car Guide

Car shop with the Green Vehicle Guide to choose the cleanest and most fuel-efficient vehicle to meet your needs. [Green Car Guide](#)

Clean Energy Guidebook

EPA's *Clean Energy - Lead by Example Guide* helps states identify key strategies, resources and tools best-suited to their energy needs. [Energy Guidebook](#)

GRANTS

Clean Air Research Centers

The EPA, as part of its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program, is seeking applications for Clean Air Research Centers. EPA is interested in supporting research on the health effects of exposure to particulate matter (PM), ozone and other air pollutants, both singly and in multipollutant atmospheres. Funding Opportunity Number: EPA-RC2009-STAR-C1. Contact: Stacey Katz, katz.stacey@epa.gov; (202) 343-9855. Deadline: **Nov. 16, 2009**. [Research Centers](#)

Grant.gov Web site

Information about applying for competitive federal grants can be located through the Web site www.grants.gov.

FEDERAL REGISTERS AND REGULATORY NOTICES

Federal Level

EPA Finalizes the Nation's First Greenhouse Gas Reporting System

Beginning Jan. 1, 2010, the EPA will require large emitters of heat-trapping emissions to begin collecting greenhouse gas (GHG) data under a new reporting system. This new program will cover approximately 85 percent of the nation's GHG emissions and apply to roughly 10,000 facilities. The first annual reports for the largest emitting facilities, covering calendar year 2010, will be submitted to EPA in 2011. Vehicle and engine manufacturers outside of the light-duty sector will begin phasing in GHG reporting with model year 2011. For more information <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/ghgrulemaking.html> (9/22/09)

EPA Tightens Air Emissions for Hospital, Medical and Infectious Waste Incinerators

The EPA is setting new limits that will affect hospital, medical and infectious waste incinerators. EPA is also finalizing additional testing, monitoring and inspection requirements. More information on the final rule and amendments: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t1fs.html> (9/18/09)

EPA to Reconsider National Standards for Ground-Level Ozone

The EPA announced it would reconsider its 2008 decision setting national standards for ground-level ozone. EPA is reconsidering the standards to ensure they are clearly grounded in science, protect public health and are sufficient to protect the environment. The agency will propose any revisions to the ozone standards by December 2009 and will issue a final decision by August 2010. <http://www.epa.gov/groundlevelozone/actions.html#sep09s> (9/16/09)

New Interagency Program to Address Climate Change and Energy Security

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the EPA jointly proposed a rule establishing a national program that would improve vehicle fuel economy and reduce greenhouse gases. Under the proposed program, covering 2012-2016 model years, automobile manufacturers would be able to build a single, light-duty national fleet that satisfies all federal requirements and standards of California and other states. EPA is providing a 60-day comment period that begins with publication of the proposal in the Federal Register. The proposal and information on submitting comments are at: [EPA comments](#) or [NHTSA comments](#) (9/16/09)

DOCUMENTS OF INTEREST

Sustainability Action Plan for County Operations: Year One Implementation Report Card FY2008-09. Pima County Sustainability Program.

<http://www.pima.gov/Sustainable/Final%20Year%20One%20Sustainability%20Report%20Card.pdf>

Opportunities to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions through Materials and Land Management Practices. September 2009. EPA.

http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/ghg_land_and_materials_management.pdf