DEP @Home



Welcome to DEP @Home! This quarterly series of webinars produced by the Department of Environmental Protection, features information on timely environmental topics and issues of interest to Pennsylvania residents, homeowners and dwellers.

The webinars will be held in the evenings and feature DEP experts exploring a variety of environmental topics in easy-to-understand terms including summertime advisories for Ozone Action Days and West Nile

Virus, taking care of your private water well and septic systems, conserving energy, and radon testing and mitigation to name a few.

The first webinar on summertime advisories will be held from 7 p.m.-8 p.m., Wednesday, June 27. Participants will learn what they need to know about West Nile Virus, what steps to take on Ozone Action Days, how to track where crews will be spraying for those pesky blackflies and a review of important fish consumption advisories.

To register for the webinar, visit: <u>https://copa.webex.com/copa/onstage/g.php?d=647116448&t=a</u> The call-in toll-free number is: 1-877-668-4493 and the access code is: 647 116 448.



News for Immediate Release

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New DEP Webinar Series to Offer Online Learning for Families

First Session at 7 p.m. on June 27

Harrisburg – The Department of Environmental Protection announced today that it will launch a series of free quarterly webinars, called DEP@Home, on Wednesday, June 27, at 7 p.m. The series will run in the evenings, in order to teach families how to make their homes safer and more energy-efficient.

"Environmental protection starts at home," DEP Secretary Mike Krancer said. "Providing these webinars is an important step in educating Pennsylvanians about how to make that principle a reality."

The first webinar, "Summertime Advisories," will last no longer than an hour and will include a questionand-answer session with DEP experts. Participants will learn about black fly spraying, West Nile virus, Ozone Action Days and fish consumption advisories.

Future topics will focus on proper care and maintenance of a private water well; energy conservation; and radon testing and mitigation.

For more information and to participate in the webinar, please visit <u>www.dep.state.pa.us</u> and click the "DEP@Home" button on the homepage.

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Editor's note: Future webinar topics are listed below. Dates and times will be announced later.

August 2012 - Water Well-ness: Learn about construction and care for private water wells and septic systems.

October 2012 - Watts Up?: Learn some simple energy conservation tips to prepare for the change of the seasons.

January 2013 - The Reality of Radon: Learn about testing for and mitigating radon.

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