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Rural Alaska Landfill Operators (RALO) Course Anchorage October 11-13

The Alaska Forum, Inc. and the Alaska Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) are pleased to announce a **Rural Alaska Landfill Operator (RALO)** course scheduled for October 11-13, 2011 in Anchorage. There is no cost for the RALO course thanks to the support of the USDA Rural Development Program.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: The Rural Alaska Landfill Operator (RALO) course is for the designated landfill operator and administrator in a village with a Class III landfill or open dump, and focuses on the duties of the landfill operator, their personal safety, and the safety of the village. Emphasis is placed on the importance of the landfill operator's role to keep the village clean and the landfill free from harmful substances. Participants will learn about landfill regulations and requirements, household hazardous waste, waste separation and screening, waste reduction and segregation, recycling, personal protection equipment, and much more. This course is hosted by AK Forum, Inc with trainers and expertise provided in cooperation with Solid Waste Administration of North America, (SWANA), Alaska Chapter. Total Reclaim will provide a training regarding electronic and other potentially hazardous wastes. The presentation will include general information on e-waste, as well as how to safely package, stage, and ship materials for recycle. With grant support from the USDA, the Alaska Forum is able to provide a limited number of \$500 reimbursement scholarships for qualified attendee travel expenses. These scholarships are available to landfill operators employed in their village.

Please register early to assist us in planning! Seating is limited and preference is provided to earliest registrations. Late applicants will only be accepted on a space available basis.

Deadlines for registration are: Please register by **September 30th**. Scholarships go to those who register first. Registering early also helps us in planning the event.

Lodging and Arrangements - Anchorage:

The Training will be hosted at the Hampton Inn 4301 Credit Union Drive, Anchorage, AK 99503. Discount room rates for this training are provided for lodging reservations made under the Alaska Forum group block. Reservations can be made directly by calling (907) 550-7000 and requesting the Alaska Forum group room block, group ID AKF. You can also visit the following web page and enter your dates, group name Alaska Forum, and the group ID AKF:

http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/A/ANCAKHX-AKF-20111006/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG



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RALO COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

The Landfill in Rural Alaska – Types and Techniques
Class III Landfill – ADEC Regulations and Permits
Controlling Access at Rural Landfills
Landfill Practices – Operations and Maintenance
Landfill Practices – Burning Garbage in Rural Alaska
Waste Separation, Screening, Reuse and Recycling

Questions? Please contact Peter Melde at (907) 351-1536 or pmelde@akforum.org

Travel to RALO: Participants are required to make their own travel arrangements.

Participants should arrange their travel to arrive before 8:00am on Tuesday and depart after 5:00 PM on Thursday. **Reimbursement will only be provided to participants that attend the entire training event** and meet the qualifications noted below. Participants must attend the entire training. Please take care of all personal business outside of class time. Special room rates are available for additional days before and after the training for your convenience.

Travel Funding Opportunity:

AK Forum, Inc. is offering partial scholarships available for attendees who are current landfill operators. Scholarships are to cover travel and lodging expenses (not to exceed \$500) for the RALO training and certification (per diem/meals not included). These funds are limited and are only **provided on a reimbursement basis for pre-approved participants**. Reimbursement for travel and lodging expenses will be provided for the RALO training to only a limited number of attendees and only where all the following conditions are met:

- Participant has recommendation and approval from their village, city, or tribal council,
- Participant has received prior approval for cost reimbursement from Alaska Forum, Inc.,
- Participant agrees to comply with all local ordinances,
- Participant must be employed or designated as a landfill operator in a village,
- Participant must successfully complete the training and receive their RALO Certification,
- Participant completes the registration forms and is approved in advance by the Alaska Forum, Inc.
- Please contact Peter at (907) 351-1536 to receive further information.

AK Forum Travel Funded Participants:

Participants selected to receive travel and lodging reimbursements (not to exceed \$500) will receive an email notification. **You must respond within 3 days by phone or email stating your intention to use the scholarship or it will be given to another participant.** Forms for reimbursement of travel expenses will be provided at the training. Receipts must accompany all expense requests. Reimbursement takes approximately 4-8 weeks. **You must bring sufficient funding to cover your expenses during the training.**



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Rural Alaska Landfill Operators Course Outline

- Section 1 Introduction
- Section 2 Solid Waste and the Landfill in Rural Alaska
- Section 3 Landfills in Alaska
- Section 4 Landfill Types & Techniques
- Section 5 ADEC Class III Landfill Regulations
- Section 6 Landfill Operator Roles & Responsibilities
- Section 7 Landfill Safety
- Section 8 Public and Access Control TM
- Section 9 Equipment Maintenance and Operation
- Section 10 Seasonal Planning and Preparation
- Section 11 Recordkeeping
- Section 12 Waste Collection
- Section 13 Waste Screening, Collection and Off-Site Disposal
- Section 14 Landfill Practices – Operations and Maintenance Planning
- Section 15 Compaction
- Section 16 Cover
- Section 17 Water and Snow
- Section 18 Landfill Practices – Burning Garbage in Rural Alaska
- Section 19 Class III Landfill Permit
- Section 20 Landfill Inspection



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Anchorage RALO Registration/Application Form

A separate registration/application form must be completed for each person.

Name: _____

Job/Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Work: (907) _____ Home: (907) _____

Fax: (907) _____

Email: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Tribe's Federal ID #: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Have you previously attended a RALO training event? _____ Year? _____

List previous solid waste training _____

Are you currently employed as the landfill operator in your community? _____

If no, please explain current employment status:

Does your tribe/community have a current IGAP Grant? _____

Local Contact (*please provide in case of emergency or to verify information submitted on this form*):

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

❖ **The signature of your immediate supervisor is required to approve your application for this training course and to accept the terms of the course policy on cancellations and conduct.**

Supervisor's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Supervisor's or department manager's email: _____

Please return completed application to: RALO Coordinator, AK Forum, PO Box 212409, Anchorage, AK 99521 or fax to 1-888-301-0185. Forms may also be scanned and emailed to pmelde@akforum.org
The registration deadline for all trainings is two weeks before the start date of the class. Applications will be accepted after the deadline on a space available basis. Call for class opening information.

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