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CONFERENCE
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**FIRST ANNUAL
COALBED NATURAL GAS
RESEARCH, MONITORING
AND APPLICATIONS
CONFERENCE**



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LARAMIE, WYOMING
AUGUST 17-19, 2004

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CONFERENCE DETAILS

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Laramie, Wyoming

Coalbed natural gas (CBNG) is becoming more important in meeting our nation's energy needs.

CBNG development continues throughout the Powder River Basin of Wyoming and Montana. In response to federal, state, and local agency requests to learn about and share information on current research and monitoring projects related to various aspects of CBNG development in Wyoming and the West, the University of Wyoming's Ruckelshaus Institute and other sponsors are hosting the **First Annual Coalbed Natural Gas Research, Monitoring, and Applications Conference**. Areas of particular emphasis for this year's conference will be research and/or monitoring programs that have near-term applications to:

- Groundwater quality and quantity
- Surface water quality and quantity
- Produced water treatment and/or use
- Wildlife and habitat
- Vegetation and soils
- Information management

Consideration of conference presentations and posters will not be limited to those topics. Papers and posters on other CBNG-related topics are welcome for submittal. In addition, submittal of case histories and works in progress are encouraged.

The first two days of the conference will be organized around sessions of contributed papers addressing the major themes of the conference. A poster session will run concurrently. The final day of the conference will be arranged as a workshop discussion among invited researchers and others emphasizing near-term and longer-term applications of the research and monitoring programs presented during the conference. There will be plenty of room for observers and time for public comment during this workshop portion of the conference.

Registration for the conference is necessary and should be completed by **August 9, 2004**. Registration forms and other conference information can be found at <http://www.uwyo.edu/enr/ienr.htm> (Click on "CBNG Conference."). You may also request a faxed registration form by using the contact information to the right.

Please pass this announcement on to friends and colleagues who may be interested in attending or giving a paper or poster!



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Those interested in giving either an oral presentation or presenting a poster should submit an Abstract Submittal Form **no later than June 14, 2004**. The form is available at <http://www.uwyo.edu/enr/ienr.htm> (Click on "CBNG Conference."). You may also request a faxed Abstract Submittal form by using the contact information below.

A review committee will determine the appropriateness of each submitted abstract for inclusion in either the paper or poster presentation sessions. Notification to candidates will be made via email by July 6, 2004.

Contributed papers will be published in a format of the author's choosing for the conference proceedings. A presenter's packet will be mailed to the authors of all accepted papers and posters with details.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CONFERENCE OR ABSTRACT SUBMITTAL PROCESS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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