

Environmental Council of the States

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> 2022 ECOS Spring Meeting **Engaging for Action** April 4-6 Asheville, North Carolina

2022 ECOS State Environmental Protection (STEP) Meeting Putting Environmental Infrastructure to Work **Dates TBD** Washington, DC Area

> 2022 ECOS Fall Meeting Taking Innovation to New Heights September 19-21 Park City, Utah

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Dear Friend of ECOS:

The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) is pleased to announce an exciting conference lineup for 2022. Planned are an April 4-6 Spring Meeting in Asheville, North Carolina, an in-person STEP Meeting, and a September 19-21 Fall Meeting in Park City, Utah. Because ECOS frequently is asked about opportunities to engage, we wanted to make you aware of **sponsorship benefits** for these well-attended gatherings, which generally attract 200-250 registrants.

The theme for the **Spring Meeting** is *Engaging for Action*. As ECOS President Ben Grumbles has observed, "deep" engagement by states with EPA and other regulatory partners and various stakeholders can propel ECOS toward durable bipartisan solutions. Indeed, ECOS members increasingly recognize the value of connecting with those most affected by our rules and programs, and of learning from one another. From community halls to national meetings to the world stage, we are collaborating to achieve our public health and environment missions. This gathering will showcase how states can strategically engage to tackle pressing environmental challenges such as emerging contaminants, environmental justice, and climate change. We'll also explore partnering toward innovative financing options that can drive investment in green infrastructure and climate-driven, nature-based solutions.

The historic infrastructure package recently passed by Congress should help ease that path considerably, so our annual STEP Meeting will center on Putting Environmental Infrastructure to Work for our air, water, and land. To continue the joint problem solving, the Fall Meeting will allow states and our partners to gather at 7,000 feet above sea level and share experiences in Taking Innovation to New Heights.

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To discuss sponsorship, please contact Lia Parisien at <u>lparisien@ecos.org</u>. I extend my sincere appreciation for considering support of our 2022 programming.

Regards,

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