

3rd NSF Large Facilities 2010 Operations Workshop

4-7 May 2010

The 3rd NSF Large Facilities 2010 Workshop will take place in San Diego, CA, May 4-7, 2010. The workshop will be hosted by the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UC San Diego and UNOLS (University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System).

The 2010 Workshop will last 3 ½ days and will be held at The Humphrey's Half Moon & Inn (<http://www.halfmooninn.com/>) on Shelter Island in San Diego, CA. Activities will start on Tuesday morning May 4th and end at noon on Friday May 7th. ***This year's format will be different than past years. Rather than full days of presentations, we will devote more time to shorter presentations and more discussions. Please see draft agenda.***

Purpose of the Large Facilities Workshop- Operational Issues

The purpose of this annual meeting is to bring together NSF staff and personnel from the NSF funded large facilities that are currently in operation. The workshop provides a strategic forum for discussing best practices, sharing "lessons learned", making new contacts and fostering close interactions between facilities.

Themes, Speakers & Discussion Panels

- *All Facilities Safety: underground, on the ground, in the air, at sea, at high altitude/latitudes*
- *Re-capitalization strategies for major LF maintenance items and upgrades*
- *Managing human resources: how to keep your staff happy*
- *How to measure performance: merit criteria and metrics*
- *Energy: getting it, producing it, saving it*
- *Greening of Facilities*
- *Miscellaneous*

If you are interested in participating in a topic or group, please submit your interest to: bfal0loc@nsf.gov

Excursions

Excursions to Scripps Marine Facility (and ships if they are in Port) and to the San Diego

Facility of the George E. Brown Jr. Network for Engineering Earthquake Simulation are planned for Thursday afternoon. Please indicate your intention and choice of excursion when you register. **A *Cinco de Mayo*** Banquet will be held at Birch Aquarium- <http://www.aquarium.ucsd.edu/>

Registration

This web site provides also important additional details, on the venue, the hotel & reservation, local contacts and the registration. Your registration fee of \$250.00 will include two receptions, coffee breaks, breakfasts and lunches for each day of the workshop. Information will be provided later on the cost of food for guests.

Hotel lodging expenses are NOT covered in registration fees

Meeting registration as well as hotel registration deadlines are both April 3, 2010. Rooms will be available at a higher rate and as space provides after this date.

Please make sure to make your own hotel reservations, using the group name – UCSD, Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

A detailed web site for registration, including travel information and a final agenda with speakers will be posted at a future date.