



**Michigan Association
of
Resource Conservation & Development Councils**



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To: Michigan RC&D Council Members and Partners

Dear Members and Partners:

Enclosed is information about and a draft agenda for the Michigan Association of RC&D Councils Spring Conference, *“Innovation & Utilization of Local Resources”*, scheduled for **Thursday, March 25 and Friday, March 26, 2010** at The Dearborn Inn, Dearborn, Michigan. The conference is being hosted by the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council and will begin at 1:00 p.m. on March 25th.

A block of rooms is being held by The Dearborn Inn until **March 11, 2010** for conference attendees and can be reserved by contacting The Dearborn Inn directly. See the enclosed conference registration form and hotel reservation information sheet for price information and how to contact The Dearborn Inn.

In order to register for the Michigan Association of RC&D Councils Spring Conference, please remove and complete the “Meeting Registration Form”, and return to the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council by **March 12th** for early registration. The registration fee includes all meeting sessions, breaks, Thursday evening dinner and Friday morning breakfast.

America’s greatest history attraction—“The Henry Ford” (formerly Greenfield Village), is located a short distance from The Dearborn Inn. Conference attendees will be able to purchase discounted tickets from The Dearborn Inn to “The Henry Ford”. To learn more about “The Henry Ford” (Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, IMAX Theatre, Ford Rouge Factory Tour & Benson Ford Research Center), visit their web site at: <http://www.hfmgv.org/>. Consider visiting “The Henry Ford” on Thursday morning before the conference, Friday afternoon, after the conference, or even stay an extra night and spend the day Saturday at this world-class attraction.

Finally, the Association will again be conducting a **Silent Auction** fundraiser at the conference, and asks that each RC&D Council contribute items for the auction. Please refer to the enclosed auction flyer for more information.

Should you have any questions about the Michigan Association of RC&D Councils Spring Conference, contact the Southeast Michigan RC&D at: (734) 761-6722 ext. 102.

We look forward to seeing you at the Spring Conference in Dearborn.

Sincerely,

Richard Accoe, Chairman
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MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF RC&D COUNCILS 2010 SPRING CONFERENCE
"Innovation & Utilization of Local Resources"



Hosted by the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council
 March 25 – 26, 2010
 The Dearborn Inn
 20301 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, Michigan



HOTEL RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms will be held until **March 11, 2010** at the discounted rate of \$80 per night, plus taxes.
 All conference attendees are responsible for making their own hotel room reservations.

To make hotel reservations:

Call: The Dearborn Inn, 1-877-757-7103
 Mention the Group Code: **"MCSMCSA"** to receive the discounted rate.

On-Line:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dtwidi?groupCode=mcsmcса&app=resvlink&fromDate=3/24/10&toDate=3/26/10>

Ask about discount tickets to "The Henry Ford" when you make room reservations!

For more information about the hotel and driving directions, visit the hotel web site or your favorite search engine.

The Dearborn Inn web site: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dtwidi-the-dearborn-inn-a-marriott-hotel/>

QUESTIONS: Call the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council at: (734) 761-6722 ext. 102

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Please cut and send the completed registration form below with payment.

MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

Michigan Association of RC&D Councils 2010 Spring Conference
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 12, 2010

Please complete a separate form for each attendee.

First Name:	Last Name:
RC&D or Organization Name:	
Mailing Address:	City/State/Zip:
E-mail Address:	Phone:
Dinner Selection: <input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian Guest: <input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	

REGISTRATION FEES

Includes all sessions, breaks, dinner on March 25 and breakfast on March 26.

Registration Type	Fee	Quantity	Total
Early Registration (received by March 12)	\$100		
Late Registration (received after March 12)	\$110		
Guest Dinner, March 25 (<i>make selection above</i>)	\$38 ea.		
Guest Name:	TOTAL FEES:		

Please mail completed form with check payable to:

Southeast Michigan RC&D
 7203 Jackson Rd.
 Ann Arbor MI 48103-9506



The Dearborn Inn, A Marriott Hotel

20301 Oakwood Boulevard

Dearborn, Michigan 48124 USA
 Phone: 1-313-271-2700
 Fax: 1-313-271-7464
 Sales: 1-313-271-3899
 Sales Fax: 1-313-271-6682

Marriott Rewards category: 4
 This hotel has a smoke-free policy

Hotel Awards

- AAA Diamonds: 4
- Mobil Travel Guide Stars: 3

Directions

From Airport

Detroit/Wayne County (DTW) - DTW

- Hotel direction: 12 miles NE
- Driving directions: Take I-94 East to Detroit. Exit at Southfield Freeway North. Go 3 miles to Oakwood Blvd., left 2 miles.
 - Alternate transportation: Metro Cars (800-456-1701); fee: 38 USD (one way)
 - Estimated taxi fare: 25.00 USD (one way)

Arrival Information

Check-In and Checkout

- Check-in: 4:00 PM, Check-out: 12:00 PM
- Video Review Billing, Video Checkout
- Express Check-In and Express Checkout

Parking

- Complimentary on-site parking
- Valet parking, fee: 12 USD daily

Pet Policy

- Pets not allowed

Hotel Details

- 4 floors , 205 rooms , 24 suites
- 17 meeting rooms, 17,000 sq ft of total meeting space
- 3 concierge levels

Guest Room Information

(may vary by room type)

General Room Amenities

- Air conditioning
- Alarm clock
- Bottled water, for a fee
- Coffee maker/tea service
- Crib
- Individual climate control
- Internet browser/Web TV
- Iron and ironing board
- Luxurious bedding - down comforters, custom duvets, cotton-rich linens
- Pillows: down/feather
- Pillows: foam
- Pull-out sofa bed
- Rollaway bed

Bathroom Amenities

- Bathrobe
- Hair dryer

Room Entertainment

- Cable channel: CNN
- Cable channel: ESPN
- Cable channel: HBO
- Cable/satellite TV
- Color TV
- Movies/videos
- Movies/videos, pay-per-view
- Plug In Panel
- Wet bar

Business Amenities

- Electrical outlet: desk level
- Phone feature: voice mail

Services

Complimentary Service

- Coffee/tea in-room
- Phone calls: toll-free
- Shoeshine

Guest Services

- Concierge desk
- Full-service business center
- Local restaurant dinner delivery
- Room service, 6:00 AM-11:00 PM
- Safe deposit boxes, front desk

Restaurants & Lounges

Early American Room

- American
- Open for dinner
- A quietly elegant Dearborn Michigan restaurant graced by rich Early American appointments.

Ten Eyck Tavern

- American
- Open for breakfast and lunch
- Home-style fare at this restaurant in Dearborn MI with a charmingly casual and relaxing atmosphere.

Golden Eagle Lounge

- Pub
- Open for dinner
- A Colonial pub with billiards and a large-screen television.

Recreation

Swimming

- Outdoor Pool

Activities

- Biking trail
- Bowling (3 miles)
- Jogging/fitness trail
- Miniature golf (3 miles)

Fitness Facilities

- The Fairlane Club
- Work Out Room

Golf

- Taylor Meadows(8 miles)
- Warren Valley(10 miles)
- Dearborn Hills(3 miles)
- TPC of Michigan (Private)(2 miles)
- Lakes of Taylor(10 miles)

Attractions & Landmarks

- The Henry Ford: America's Greatest History Attraction
- Henry Ford Estate
- Automotive Hall of Fame
- Greenfield Village
- Arab American National Museum
- Museum of African American History
- Detroit Zoo

High-speed Internet access

Locations | Connectivity

Public Areas

- Wired
- Wireless

Guest Rooms

- Wired

Meeting Rooms

- Wired
- Wireless

SILENT AUCTION

The Michigan Association of RC&D Councils will conduct a silent auction fundraiser at the 2010 spring conference, March 25 & 26, hosted by the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council in Dearborn, Michigan.

Each RC&D Council is asked to contribute items for the auction. Partners attending the conference may also contribute items for the auction. Each donor is asked to provide background information for donated items using the form at the bottom of the page.

What can be donated?

You can donate anything you would like. Examples include: gift baskets, gift certificates, bird houses, pottery, art work, books, or products produced in your area of the State.

Donated items with a completed information form can be turned in at the conference registration table when you arrive at the spring conference.

Bids for auction items will be accepted throughout the first day of the conference, March 25.

**Bring an auction item and plan to place your bids
on items displayed to help support your State Association!**

Please remove the form below and bring with auction item to the spring conference.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF RC&D COUNCILS SILENT AUCTION

ITEM: _____

DONATED BY: _____

DESCRIPTION, FEATURES: _____

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$ _____

SUGGESTED MINIMUM BID: \$ _____