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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES WORKSHOP ON ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS AND THE COLLOCATION OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

By this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) announces its annual educational workshop on the environmental compliance and historic preservation review process required for the construction of wireless communications facilities. This year's workshop will include information relevant to the construction of all new communications towers and to the collocation of communications equipment on towers and other structures. The workshop will be webcast.

At the workshop, expert FCC staff and invited experts will provide guidance to the FCC's licensees, those who construct communications facilities for FCC licensees, and their consultants. The focus will include:

- Updates to the Tower Construction Notification System and E106 as well as information on standard language in Memoranda of Agreement;
- National Environmental Policy Act compliance and the FCC checklist;
- National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 compliance under the *Nationwide Programmatic Agreement for Review of Effects on Historic Properties for Certain Undertakings Approved by the Federal Communications Commission*; and
- The tower siting process; and
- Archeological surveys for communications tower construction.

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2016
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Location: FCC Headquarters
Commission Meeting Room
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

A subsequent Public Notice will provide further details about this workshop.

We also note that on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, the FCC and the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) will host a companion workshop on the deployment of distributed antenna systems (DAS) and small cells. We encourage interested members of the public to participate in both workshops. Please see the separate Public Notice on this topic, DA 16-315 (rel. Mar. 25, 2016).

The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. Preregistration is encouraged for in-person attendance. All attendees are advised to arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the workshops to allow time to go through our security process. Please pre-register by submitting your name and affiliation in an email to Maira Delao (maira.delao@fcc.gov).

Audio and/or video coverage of the meeting will be provided over the Internet from the FCC's Web page at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>. Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the FCC's Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (tty). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way that the requesting party can be contacted if additional information is needed. Please allow at least five days' advance notice; last-minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

For additional information about this workshop, please contact Steve DelSordo (202) 418-1986, stephen.delsordo@fcc.gov. All media inquiries should be directed to Cecilia Sulhoff at (202) 418-0587 or cecilia.sulhoff@fcc.gov.

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