



AQS Conference Logistical Information

The 19th National Air Quality System (AQS) Conference sponsored by U.S. EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) will be held on the following dates:

Pre-Conference Training
AQS Conference

Monday, June 7th and Tuesday, June 8th
Wednesday, June 9th through Friday, June 11th

LOCATION

The conference will be held at the following location:

Antlers Hilton Colorado Springs

Four South Cascade

Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1685

Phone: (719) 955-5600

Fax: (719) 955-5650

Web Site: http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/COSCSHF-AQSC10-20100605/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Situated in downtown Colorado Springs, the Antlers Hilton hotel offers stunning views of the Rocky Mountains and Pikes Peak. The hotel is located one block from Tejon Street, which is the major downtown street with dozens of restaurants and shops.

LODGING

A block of lodging rooms has been reserved at the Antlers Hilton Colorado Springs. For reservations, call (719) 955-5600 and mention the "EPA AQS Conference" in order to receive the prevailing federal government per diem rate (which is currently \$88.00 for single/double occupancy) plus 9.4% tax per night. You may also book your hotel reservation online at http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/COSCSHF-AQSC10-20100605/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG.

The group code is AQSC10. Federal, state or local government employees who pay with a government credit card or provide proof of tax exemption status upon check-in will not be subject to paying applicable room taxes.

Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. The room block is limited so please secure your hotel reservations as early as possible. The group rate may be available up to three days prior to and three days after the conference, based on availability. If you have any trouble reserving the group rate, please contact Alina Martin, SAIC Conference Coordinator, at martinali@saic.com.

Reservations must be made by Thursday, May 6, 2010, in order to receive the group rate. If you are awaiting travel authorization, we strongly recommend that you book a room immediately in order to secure the group rate. You can cancel your reservation at a later date if you are unable to attend.

Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and checkout time is 12:00 p.m. To cancel a reservation, you must notify the hotel at least 24 hours prior to your scheduled arrival to avoid a penalty equal to one night's stay plus tax. If you need to cancel a reservation after Thursday, May 6, 2010, please contact Alina Martin, SAIC Conference Coordinator, at martinali@saic.com to determine if your reservation can be transferred to another participant.

Each guest will be required to present a valid credit card upon check-in, on which an amount of sufficient pre-authorization can be obtained to cover the room and tax charges for the length of the guest's stay, plus the anticipated use of the hotel's ancillary services.

The hotel offers complimentary high speed Internet access (wired) in the guest rooms, a fitness center, an indoor swimming pool, a beauty salon and several dining options.

REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

When you arrive at the AQS Conference, please proceed to the conference registration desk to pick up your name badge and conference materials. The registration desk will be located in the Prefunction area outside of the Heritage Ballroom on the Lobby Level of the hotel. The registration desk will be open according to the following schedule:

Sunday, June 6th	2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Monday, June 7 th	7:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Tuesday, June 8 th	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM
Wednesday, June 9 th	7:30 AM to 4:00 PM
Thursday, June 10 th	8:00 AM to 4:45 PM
Friday, June 11 th	8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

TRANSPORTATION FROM COLORADO SPRINGS AIRPORT (COS)

Meet & Greet Shuttle: Shuttle transportation between the Colorado Springs Airport and the Antlers Hilton hotel is available for **\$18.00 per person one-way, plus gratuity**; however, reservations **MUST** be booked and paid in advance by credit card. Go to www.meetgreetcs.com and click on "Antlers Hilton" under the Hotel Transport section. Please be sure you are using an up-to-date Internet browser. The links may not work in older versions of Internet Explorer, such as version 6.0. Hotel transport is available for flights scheduled to arrive at COS between 10:00 am and 7:00 pm and flights scheduled to depart COS from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. When you book your reservation online, you will need to provide your name, email address, cell phone number and flight information. Driver gratuity is not included in the price and can be prepaid when you book your reservation. Travel day instructions, a confirmation and receipt for charges will be sent to your provided email. For personal assistance, you may call (719) 219-9399.

Taxi: The cost is approximately **\$35.00 one-way**, and the trip takes approximately 25 minutes.

Rental Cars: Colorado Springs Airport features six on-site car rental agencies: Advantage, Alamo/National, Avis, Budget, Enterprise Rent A Car, and Hertz. Check-in counters are in the baggage claim area. For more information, visit <http://www.springsgov.com/AirportPage.aspx?PageID=1782>.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO THE ANTLERS HILTON

From the North: Follow I-25 S to exit 142 (Bijou Street). Turn left heading east for ½ mile. At 2nd light, Cascade Avenue, turn right (S). Entrance to the hotel is 2 blocks on the right.

From the South: Follow I-25 N to exit 142 (Bijou Street). Turn right heading east for ½ mile. At 1st light, Cascade Avenue, turn right (S). Entrance to the hotel is 2 block on the right.

From Colorado Springs Municipal Airport (11 miles – 25 minutes): Go NE on Milton E Proby Parkway; go straight toward Long Term Parking / Airport exit. Turn right onto S. Powers Blvd. Turn left onto E. Fountain Blvd., which becomes US-24 W. Merge onto I-25 N toward Denver/Manitou Springs. Take exit 142 (Bijou Street) toward Central Business District. Turn right heading east for ½ mile. At 1st light, Cascade Avenue, turn right (S). Entrance to the hotel is 2 blocks on the right.

From Denver International Airport (85 miles – 2.5 hours): Exit airport on Pena Blvd. Take exit 6A to E-470 Tollway S (toward I-70). Drive approximately 25 miles to I-25 S, exit 1A (Colorado Springs). Take I-25 S to exit 142 (Bijou Street). Turn right onto Cascade Avenue. Follow for 1.1 miles. The hotel is on the right.

PARKING AT THE ANTLERS HILTON COLORADO SPRINGS

The Antlers Hilton Colorado Springs offers both valet parking and self-parking. Self-parking, with in and out privileges, is available complimentary for overnight guests within the AQS Conference room block. Over 1,600 spaces are available. Valet parking charges are \$11.00 short-term and \$15.00 for overnight parking with in and out privileges.

For conference attendees who are not staying overnight at the hotel, the parking fee is \$15.00 per 24 hour period but may be waived with a validation stamp obtained from the on-site Conference Coordinator. Hotel parking prices are subject to change.

VISITING COLORADO SPRINGS

Information about downtown Colorado Springs is available at the following Web site: <http://www.downtown80903.com/>. Also visit the Colorado Springs & the Pikes Peak Region official travel Web site at <http://visitcos.com/>.

Attractions in or nearby Colorado Springs include: the U.S. Air Force Academy, the U.S. Olympic Training Center, the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, Pikes Peak Center, Colorado Springs World Arena, the Cave of the Winds, Seven Falls, the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, the Cog Railway, and the Garden of the Gods Visitor and Nature Center.

In June, the average high temperature in Colorado Springs is 79 degrees and the average low is 50 degrees.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

It is EPA's policy to make reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities wishing to participate in the Agency's programs, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791. Any request for accommodation should be made to Alina Martin, SAIC Conference Coordinator, at martinali@saic.com by May 6, 2010, so that EPA will have sufficient time to process the request.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Inquiries can be directed to Alina Martin, SAIC Conference Coordinator, at (703) 375-2246 or martinali@saic.com.



**Join us for a visit to the Flying W Ranch
and enjoy a taste of the Old West!**

**Wednesday, June 9, 2010
5:00 to 9:30 p.m.**

Join us at the *Flying W Ranch* for a chuckwagon supper and western stage show! The Ranch is a working mountain cattle ranch located in the foothills of Colorado Springs. It's been in operation since 1953 and is Colorado Springs' #1 dinner and show venue.

The *Flying W* offers a winning combination of picturesque natural surroundings, an authentic Western Town, tasty cowboy cuisine and the finest in western music.

The Old West comes alive in the Western Village, a collection of 12 shops offering a variety of merchandise and containing authentic period pieces. You'll find an old time drugstore with a soda fountain serving up tasty treats. You may watch the Ferrier shoe one of the horses in the Blacksmith shop. In the underground Indian Kiva, you may watch a skilled Navajo rug weaver create a work of art. You may also visit the Adobe Jail and the Old School House or make a visit to the Cowboy store.

The supper includes tender slices of beef or BBQ chicken, foil-wrapped potatoes, beans, chunky applesauce, old fashioned spice cake, biscuits, coffee, lemonade or iced tea. After supper, sit back under the stars and enjoy the world's second oldest cowboy band, the *Flying W Wranglers*.

The bus will depart the Antlers Hilton hotel promptly at 5:00 p.m. The supper will be served at 7:00 p.m. Seating is assigned on a first come, first served basis. The 1-hour western music show starts at 8:00 p.m. and the bus will depart the Ranch at approximately 9:15 p.m.

The event price includes round-trip bus transportation from the Antlers Hilton to the *Flying W Ranch*, admission to the Western Town, supper, show, tax and gratuities. The estimated price list is below; prices will be finalized closer to the event.

Estimated Prices

\$38 for adults and children 13 years and older
\$36 for seniors (age 60+) and military (active and retired)
\$28 for children ages 6-12
\$21 for children ages 3-5
\$0 for children 2 and under

Payment will be required in advance of the conference. Payment instructions will be distributed via email in April 2010. Credit cards will not be accepted. The event will take place rain or shine. Payments are non-refundable. **Please indicate your interest in participating when you register for the conference.**