



**The Georgia F.O.G Alliance Presents
5th Bi-annual Fats, Oils and Grease Conference & Training
April 21st - 23rd 2015**



**James H. Rainwater Conference Center
1 Meeting Place
Valdosta, Georgia 31601**

SCOPE OF CONFERENCE

The 5th Bi-Annual Fats, Oils and Grease Conference & Training is the only one of its kind in the south eastern part of the United States. It is the most comprehensive educational opportunity and will be attended by an estimated 200 FOG Inspectors, Environmental CODE Officers, Water & Wastewater Operators, Storm Water workers, Environmental Health, Plumbers, Waste Transporters, Grease Trap Pumpers, and many others in the field of Fats, Oils and Grease. This training will also provide 12 CE points for those with State of Georgia Licenses as Analyst or Operators for Water & Wastewater. Over the three day period, this conference will host a vast group of professionals seeking to exchange knowledge and share ideas and concerns about Fats, Oils and Grease in their field of work. The course is designed to help those beginning a Fats, Oils and Grease Program and also help existing professionals enhance their own FOG program. If you are in Water & Wastewater, CODE Enforcement, Storm Water or another field, this conference can help teach you about the issues that arise with Fats, Oils and Grease and how it can affect the work you perform. This year's Conference & Training will be located at the James H. Rainwater Conference Center in Valdosta, Georgia. The James H. Rainwater Conference Center is located in the southern part of Georgia and has many places within driving distance that you can visit after a long day of training. The Conference & Training will begin on April 21st and conclude on April 23th. On-site registration and material pick-up will begin at 7:00am on Tuesday April 21st. Registration fees are as follows:

Non-Members of the Georgia FOG Alliance

\$265.00 (if paid by 03-01-15) \$295.00 (after 03-01-15)

Members of the Georgia FOG Alliance

\$215.00 (if paid by 03-01-15) \$245.00 (after 03-01-15)

The registration fee includes three days of educational courses, three full breakfast, three lunches, and refreshments/coffee at breaks.

Cancellation notifications before March 15th, 2015 will receive an 80% refund. Cancellations after March 15th, 2015 will not receive a refund. Substitutions are welcome with written notification.

Please select the buttons below to register or join the Georgia FOG Alliance

**STUDENT REGISTRATION
REGISTER NOW**

**EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION
REGISTER NOW**

**Georgia F.O.G Alliance
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**Georgia F.O.G Alliance
SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The training is open to the public. Anyone wishing to learn about Fats, Oils and Grease should attend this Conference and Training.

- FOG Inspectors • Water & Wastewater Operators / Supervisors • Commercial Transporters • Plumbers
- CODE Enforcement Officers • Plumbing inspectors • Restaurant Owners • FOG Managers / Supervisors
- Department Heads • Grease Trap Companies • FOG Software Companies • Environmental Officers • New FOG Inspectors wanting to learn about FOG • Engineers • Planners / Coordinators

OBJECTIVE

To help keep a uniform training for Fats, Oils & Grease Inspectors. Increase the knowledge of the Inspectors to what is going on with Fats, Oils and Grease. Help develop the skills necessary for the Manager, Coordinator and the Inspector. How to educate other departments such as CODE Enforcement, Storm water and GIS, etc., about Fats, Oils and Grease.

FOG INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

The Georgia FOG Alliance working in conjunction with the Environmental Protection Division of Georgia has worked to set up a program that will teach, instruct and help keep compliance of Fats, Oils and Grease for Water and Wastewater Plants. Each inspector that goes through this training will receive a Certificate of course completion and Continuing Educational points (12CE). These points are valid for anyone in the field of Water and Wastewater that are required to have CE points to keep their licenses.

The Georgia F.O.G Alliance is also working with the University of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute of Government to create a full Fats, Oils and Grease certification program that should be completed by 2017. Attending this conference will give you the education needed to receive this certification once this is approved from the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. This is still a work in progress and will be completed fully with required courses, testing and graduation for those that go thru this program.

SCHEDULE

Tuesday April 21, 2015

6:00am to 7:00am - Vendor Set Up

7:00am to 8:15am - Registration / Exhibit Hall Open / Meet and Greet

7:00am to 8:15am - Breakfast - Exhibit Hall

8:15am to 8:55am – Opening Session – Welcome – Keynote Speaker

9:00am to 12:00pm – Instructional Classes

10:00am to 10:15am – Morning Break

12:00pm to 1:00pm – Lunch

1:00pm to 4:45pm – Instructional Classes

4:45pm to 5:00pm – Exhibitor Hall

Exhibitor area open all day during the conference

Wednesday April 22, 2015

7:00am to 8:15am - Breakfast - Exhibit Hall

8:15am to 8:30am – Opening Session – Welcome

9:00am to 12:00pm – Instructional Classes

10:00am to 10:15am – Morning Break

12:00pm to 1:00pm – Lunch

1:00pm to 4:45pm – Instructional Classes

4:45pm to 5:00pm – Exhibitor Hall

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Thursday April 23, 2015

7:00am to 8:15am - Breakfast - Exhibit Hall

8:15am to 8:30am – Opening Session – Welcome

9:00am to 12:00pm – Instructional Classes

10:00am to 10:15am – Morning Break

12:00pm to 1:00pm – Lunch

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COURSES

- FOG 101: Why Managing Grease Matters (3) Hour Course
- FOG Production, Capture, Treatment, and Disposal (3) Hour Course
- Municipal/Industrial Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) Program Fundamentals (3) Hour Course
- Fundamentals of Grease Interceptor Performance (1) Hour
- The Standards that govern hydro mechanical and gravity grease interceptors (1) Hour
- Grease Production Sizing for grease interceptors (1) Hour
- Georgia Transporter Law – History, Requirements, Enforcement, Transporter inspections (3) Hour
this class is an outside class and a grease trap will be cleaned – please wear appropriate attire.
- CMOM and CFOG – how to establish one (1) Hour
- Interceptor FOG retention loss rates to detergent bearing flows (1) Hour
- FOG Education / Promoting your Program (1) Hour
- Technology – Using GIS and other programs for FOG (1) Hour
- Exhibitor/Vendor presentations
(classes are being added as we progress with our speakers and approve their presentations)

HOTEL INFORMATION

There is a vast array of hotels in the area around the conference center. We have gathered information about each one in the area and provided a map for you on our website. We have blocked 50 rooms at the Hampton Inn & Suites for \$79.00 per night. They will remain blocked till March 15th, 2015. Reservations past this date will not be guaranteed.

For more information about hotels please visit this link.

[Conference Accommodations](#)

FLIGHT INFORMATION

The conference is located 4 miles from Valdosta Regional Airport. This airport is currently supported by Delta Airlines. They have three arrival and three departure flights per day six days a week and two arrivals and two departures on Saturday. All flights are to/from Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport (ATL).

For more information about air travel please visit this link.

[Conference Air Travel](#)

GROUND TRAVEL INFORMATION

The Valdosta Regional Airport has two companies servicing rental car reservations. Taxi cabs are available 24/7 for transportation to and from the Airport to the conference center.

For more information about ground travel please visit this link.

[Conference Ground Travel](#)

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MENU

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