

CALL FOR RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

NC ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SUMMIT OCTOBER 19-20, 2018

Making Revolution Irresistible: A Summit Celebrating Promise, Change, & Action!

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The North Carolina Environmental Justice Network (NCEJN) will be holding its 20th Annual Environmental Justice Summit on October 19-20, 2018 at the Historic Franklinton Center at Bricks, Edgecombe County, NC. We will be celebrating twenty years of our fight for environmental justice from the grassroots.

Our annual Summit is driven by the particular needs of communities directly impacted by environmental harms across the state of North Carolina and our broader region. We seek to raise public awareness about a variety of environmental inequities, across communities of color and low-income communities—those that are newer in our awareness (e.g., GenX water contamination), and those that our member communities have been fighting for decades, like industrial hog farming in Eastern North Carolina. Participants in the Summit are community members, government officials, environmentalists, students and researchers. We seek to connect impacted communities with the solidarity and technical resources to support them to advocate for themselves on their own terms.

We solicit research presentations on environmental justice. Submissions can be from any disciplinary perspective, including physical sciences, social sciences, law, humanities, and public health. Though most Summit participants are from North Carolina or connected to the state, we welcome in submissions that connect environmental justice challenges and fights across multiple geographies. In particular, we encourage submissions connected to this year's theme on revolution and change. In your presentations, consider how your research findings might contribute to mobilization and advocacy for environmental justice across the state and broader nation. Where possible, we also encourage researchers who work in collaboration with communities to co-present with members of those communities.

The research session of the Summit will be held on Friday afternoon, October 19th. Each presentation is limited to 15 minutes.

Please submit a title, author(s) and abstract (250 words or less) of your research by Friday, September 7, 2018 to

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Abstracts may be submitted by mail or e-mail using the attached form. E-mail submissions should have a subject line indicating "EJ Summit Abstract." Abstracts will be reviewed by the Environmental Justice Summit Coordinating Committee. All notifications will be sent at the latest by Monday, September 17th.

Accepted presenters will submit a final version of the abstract for inclusion in the Summit program.

As a coalition of community-based organizations, the NC EJ Network is not able to provide travel funds to academics, researchers, and government officials. Community and student scholarships will be available by application. Please forward this announcement as appropriate.