



# Gain International Perspective at SustRem 2023

Trying to wrap your head around the social aspects of sustainability, circular economy concepts, or sustainable remediation in general? Then head Down Under this October and attend SustRem 2023 (see Upcoming Events for details). The Australia and New Zealand chapter of SURF (SuRF-ANZ) and Australasian Land & Groundwater Association (ALGA) are hosting the 8th International Sustainable Remediation Conference in conjunction with ecoforum 2023. Early-bird registration ends on August 31st. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information.



## Dive In! Statewide Analysis of Overland Flooding by Seawater

In "Toxic Tides and Environmental Injustice: Social Vulnerability to Sea Level Rise and Flooding of Hazardous Sites in Coastal California," Cushing, et al. assess the number and location of hazardous facilities at risk of future flooding due to sea-level rise in California and the associated environmental justice implications. Methods included using tax parcel data to estimate facility boundaries, estimating populations and demographics near at-risk sites using dasymetric mapping, and including groundwater rise considerations. Click <a href="https://example.com/here-to-read-the-full-article">here-to-read-the-full-article</a>.



# Did You Know? Legal Action Tool to Mitigate Climate Change Impacts

According to Global Climate Litigation Report: 2023 Status Review, current trends in climate change litigation show that legal action has become a tool for climate change mitigation and adaptation. The report describes key litigation issues, such as seeking to keep fossil fuels and carbon sinks in the ground,

claiming corporate liability and responsibility for climate harms, and advocating for greater climate disclosures and an end to greenwashing. The United Nations Environment Programme developed the report in cooperation with the Sabin Center for Climate Change Law at Columbia University and state that "Over the course of reporting on these issues, it is clear that parties are putting forward innovative arguments on connections between a specific greenhouse gas emitter's actions and global climate change, and how foreseeable climate-driven impacts can be linked to specific harms suffered by plaintiffs." To read the full report, click <a href="here">here</a>.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **SURF Events**

SURF Webinar: More than a Liability: ESG, UN SDGs, and Sustainable Remediation

August 30, 2023 3 p.m. – 4 p.m. EDT Click here to register.

#### SURF Virtual Membership Meeting

September 14, 2023 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. EDT Members and non-members are welcome! Click here to register.

### SURF Membership Meeting @ AEHS East Coast Conference

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. EDT Click here to register for the conference.

#### **Conferences**

#### 16th Annual Georgia Environmental Conference

August 23-25, 2023
Jekyll Island, Georgia
Be sure to stop by the SURF booth and say hi!
Click here for more information or to register.

# EPA Webinar: Recent Advances in Consideration of Ecosystem Services in Contaminated Clean-Ups and Risk Assessments

August 31, 2023 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EDT Click here for more information or to register.

# 4th California Land Recycling Conference: People, Partnerships, and Progress

September 26-28, 2023 Carson, CA Click here for more information or to register.

# SustRem 2023: 8th International Sustainable Remediation Conference

October 10-13, 2023 Melbourne, Australia

Click here for more information or to register.

# AEHS East Coast Conference: 39th Annual International Conference on Soils, Sediments, Water, and Energy

October 16-19, 2023 Amherst, MA Click here for more information or to register.

### **Grant Notice**

### California DTSC Equitable Communities Revitalization Grant

Applications Accepted: August 14 - October 9, 2023 \$85 million available to fund assessment, investigation, and cleanup of sites in California communities with high levels of pollution and poverty.

Click <u>here</u> for more information or to register.