

HYCOM Consortium

for Data Assimilative Modeling

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6th HYCOM Consortium Meeting

October 7-9, 2002
Center for Nonlinear Studies
Los Alamos National Laboratory

Logistical Information

The 6th meeting for users of the Hybrid Coordinate Ocean Model (HYCOM) will be held October 7-9, 2002, at the Center for Nonlinear Studies at Los Alamos National Laboratory. The focus of this meeting will be progress reports of participants in the "HYCOM Consortium for Data Assimilative Modeling" ("http://hycom.rsmas.miami.edu), a project funded by the National Oceanographic Partnership Program. However, the meeting is open to all present and potential future users of HYCOM as well as those interested in oceanic data assimilation in general.

Participants wishing to make a presentation (oral or poster) need to send a title and a short description (2-3 sentences) to the program committee consisting of Drs. Eric Chassignet (echassignet@rsmas.miami.edu) and Rainer Bleck (bleck@lanl.gov) BEFORE SEPTEMBER 22, 2002. Priority in assigning speaker slots will be given to members of the above-mentioned NOPP project.

The Center for Nonlinear Studies at the Los Alamos National Laboratory put together a web page (http://cnls.lanl.gov/Conferences/hycom/) which will soon contain directions to the center.

Directions

For directions to the Los Alamos National Laboratory, please go to http://www.lanl.gov/tools/maps/maps.shtml and scroll to the bottom. Locate Diamond Drive in the circular inset. The CNLS building is west of Diamond Drive, very close to the 5 o'clock position on the perimeter of the circular inset. When you walk along Diamond Drive, look for the "Advanced Computing Laboratory." The CNLS building is right behind it.

Unlimited free parking is provided diagonally across Diamond Drive from the ACL building. The parking lot is at the 3 o'clock position in the circular inset. Vehicle access is from East Jemez Road.

Since one needs to drive from either Albuquerque or Santa Fe, I strongly encourage car pooling. For those interested, I will rent a minivan and will be arriving in Albuquerque on October 6th at 5:05pm. You can also rent a car one-way to Los Alamos from Budget. The Los Alamos National Lab rate code for lab-related travel is T453800.

Hotel Information

For informations on Los Alamos (including accomodations), go to http://www.losalamos.com.

These are the three main hotels in Los Alamos. Holiday Inn is the newest but has limited

amenities, Los Alamos Inn is the largest with a restaurant and pool, Best Western Hilltop House has nice rooms with microwaves and refrigerators a pool and workout facilities. All are located fairly close to each other and offer government rates.

Hilltop House Hotel (Best Western), 400 Trinity Drive: (505) 662-2441

Los Alamos Inn, 2201 Trinity Drive: (800) 279-9279 or (505) 662-7211

Holiday Inn Express, 2455 Trinity Dr., (505) 661-1110

Since the Los Alamos Inn is the largest and has a restaurant, it would make car pooling easier if most of us decided to stay there. Also, restaurants in this town close at 9 pm at the latest.

SECURITY

The organizer (CNLS) has special permission to run conferences where participants are not required to get personalized badges. This is a great innovation, but it creates a 2-class system: US citizens may enter any building outside the security fence, but foreigners are restricted to the CNLS building, the library, and the cafeteria. Evening sessions will have to be conducted in the bar at the Los Alamos Inn.

If you need any additional information, please contact Rainer Bleck or Eric Chassignet at the address below.

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