

## **\*\* REGISTRATION OPEN \*\***

### **Biennial U.S. Drought Monitor Forum, September 17-19, 2019**

Knically Conference Center, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY

<https://www.wku.edu/conference/knicelycenter.php>

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- The biennial **U.S. Drought Monitor Forum** will take place on September 17-19, 2019 at Western Kentucky University's Knically Center (postponed from initial mid-March dates).
- NOAA's National Weather Service's **Climate Prediction Center (CPC)** & National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service's **National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)** are partnering with the **Kentucky Climate Center (at Western Kentucky University)** and the **Kentucky Division of Water** to host the Forum.
- Registration is free and limited to first 100 attendees. If you registered for the initial mid-March Forum, you must re-register as all previous entries have been erased.  
<https://drought.unl.edu/eventinfo.aspx?id=963>
- There are no plans to reserve a block of rooms as there are no concerns with affordable availability. The closest hotel to the Knically Center (walkable) is Staybridge Suites, Bowling Green. There are many other hotels nearby (*listed in the NDMC Registration link above*), but they are several miles from the Knically Center.
- For those not driving, Bowling Green does not have a major airport. The two closest major airports are: 1) Nashville, 70 minutes away; 2) Louisville, 1 hour and 45 minutes away, so a rental car would also be needed.
- Please contact **Richard.Heim@noaa.gov** or **David.Miskus@noaa.gov** if you have specific questions about the USDM Forum.
- In the future, we will be contacting some of you to ask if you (or your group) would be interested in speaking at the USDM Forum. If you wish to make a presentation, you are welcome to contact Richard Heim or David Miskus directly, although speaking slots are limited. **A draft agenda will be made available in the near future that will replace the current "shell" agenda.**

