

WEBINAR TEACHES CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONALS HOW TO SCHEDULE WEATHER CONTINGENCIES TO AVOID DELAY CLAIMS publication date: Dec 4, 2009

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 7, 2009 - When it comes to planning for predictable as well as unpredictable weather contingencies, construction contractors and project owners need to know how to beat Mother Nature at her own game, or at least work around her. Knowing how to schedule these factors in relationship to the critical path can be the difference between receiving a compensable delay versus a non-compensable time extension.

In a new webinar by WPL Publishing -- "Strategies for Weather Planning in Construction Schedules" -- nationally recognized construction consultants Michael Stone and Chris Carson and their panel of scheduling experts will discuss how to draw up a contract and schedule that account for weather contingencies. They will enumerate the strategies necessary to deliver the best possible outcome when weather conditions hinder a project and time extensions and delay claims enter the equation. To learn more, visit <http://tinyurl.com/weathercontingencies>.

In addition, during this 90-minute presentation on Wednesday, Dec. 17, Stone and Carson will discuss:

- How early/late start, critical path and float calculations are affected
- The best method to employ when using distinct weather activities
- How weather factors into float sequestration
- Geographical considerations and sources of historical weather data
- Different outcomes with different scheduling software

This webinar is a don't-miss event for construction professionals, schedulers, engineers, architects, owners, contractors, subcontractors and the attorneys who represent them. This presentation is an excellent source of in-house training for the entire staff. And, because webinar tuition is based on location, not number of participants, each registration site can have multiple participants for one low price. An audio CD of the presentation, as well as all handouts, is also available for purchase. To learn more about the webinar and to register, visit <http://tinyurl.com/weathercontingencies> or call (301) 765-9525.

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