The 2009 Great Lakes Rip Current Conference will feature national experts on rip currents and hypothermia. They will discuss the mechanics of how, why, and where rip currents form in the Great Lakes, our ability to forecast rip current conditions, the effects of hypothermia and how cold water can affect rescues. Example programs from Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota on educating beach users to recognize and escape from rip currents will be highlighted.

Conference speakers include:
- Dr. Guy Meadows, Director of Univ. of Michigan's Ocean Engineering Laboratory
- Dave Guenther, National Weather Service
- Dr. Lorentz Wittmers, Univ. of Minnesota Duluth Medical School

The conference is open to all, but pre-registration is required. The registration form and $10 fee for lunch must be received by June 1, 2009.

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