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Biennial U.S. Drought Monitor Forum, March 19-21, 2019

Knicely 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 March 19-21, 2019 at Western Kentucky University's Knicely Center.
- 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 but not yet open. Please look for a separate announcement sometime later this year.
- At this time there are no plans to reserve a block of rooms as there are no concerns with affordable availability. A list of hotels will be compiled and shared based on proximity to the Knicely Center. So please wait for further information before making any reservations.
- 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 is being developed.

