

# **Natural Floodplain Functions Alliance Webinar Series Presents:**

## **Living Shorelines: Lessons Learned and New Opportunities**

### **Presenters:**

**Suzanne Simon, Restore America's Estuaries  
Bill Sapp, Southern Environmental Law Center  
Tracy Skrabal, North Carolina Coastal Federation  
Lee Anne Wilde, Galveston Bay Foundation**

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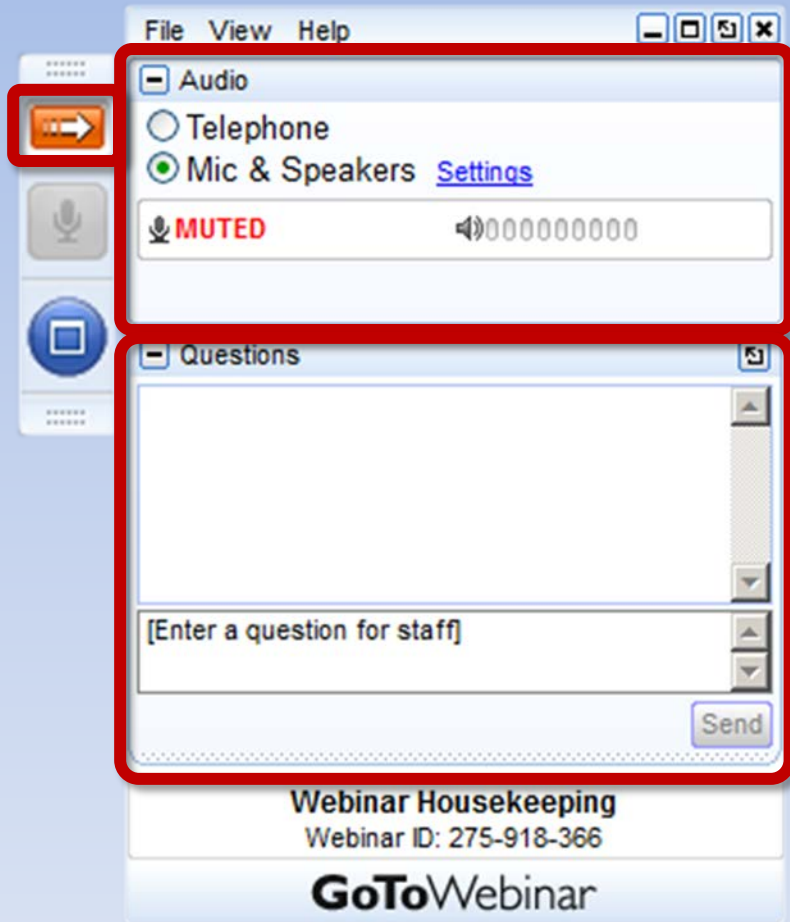
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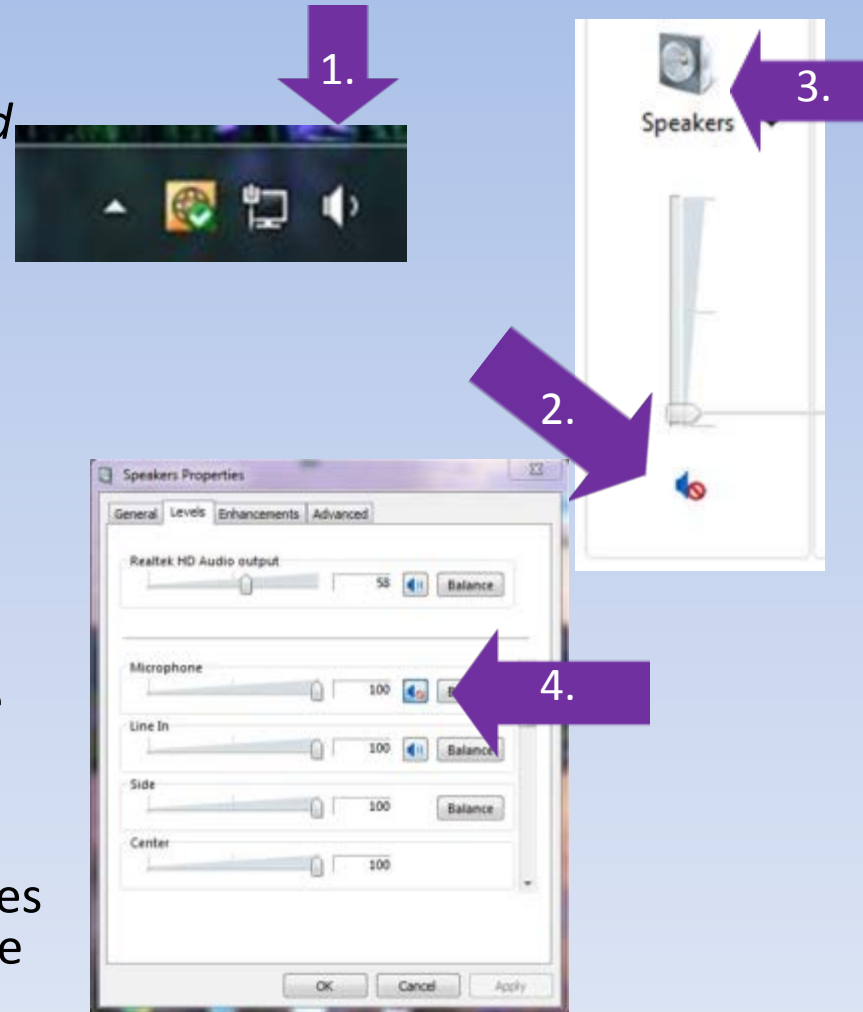
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# Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions** – 5 minutes
- **Federal policy updates** – 15 minutes
  - 1) Oregon Biological Opinion (Bonnie Shorin, NOAA)
  - 2) Status of Implementation of the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard (David Conrad)
  - 3) Proposed 2017 Nationwide General Permits (Dave Olson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)
- **Webinar presentation and Q&A** – 60 minute training:

“Living Shorelines: Lessons Learned and New Opportunities”

  - Suzanne Simon, Restore America’s Estuaries
  - Bill Sapp, Southern Environmental Law Center
  - Tracy Skrabal, North Carolina Coastal Federation
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- **Participating member round robin updates** – 10 minutes total (e.g., 2 minutes per update)



## **NFFA Background:**

NFFA was established to promote, protect, and enhance the protection, restoration, and management of natural floodplain resources.

Members share information and may elect to coordinate actions on issues of interest, but the NFFA is not an advocacy group nor does it take formal positions on matters of national policy, guidance or legislation.

## **Focus Areas for 2016:**

1. The Federal Flood Risk Management Standard and Implementing Guidelines
2. The President's Memorandum on Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment



# NFFA Goals

1. Encourage information-sharing among organizations and agencies that support restoration and conservation of natural floodplain resources
2. Use sound science to develop fair and reasonable policies and programs that support restoration and conservation of natural floodplain resources
3. Integrate natural floodplain management into broader landscape and watershed management initiatives.
4. Facilitate creation and integration of programs and policies to sustain and restore natural floodplain resources
5. Support revision or elimination of policies and programs that degrade and destroy natural floodplain resources
6. Improve communication about the importance of natural floodplain resources at all levels of government



# NFFA Activities 2016

- Hold/record and post six webinar/CC's annually
- Develop a media kit
- Hold a workshop (currently seeking funding) on reducing regulatory hurdles to floodplain restoration
- Provide better information to NFFA about ways to “mainstream” natural infrastructure
- Support development of floodplain maps that include natural infrastructure

# Webinar Schedule & Recordings

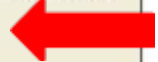
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- **Stream/Wet Meadow Restoration** - September 8, 2015
- **The Florida Wetlands Integrity Dataset: Part 2** - September 16, 2015
- **Solar Project Siting and Wetland Permitting** - September 29, 2015

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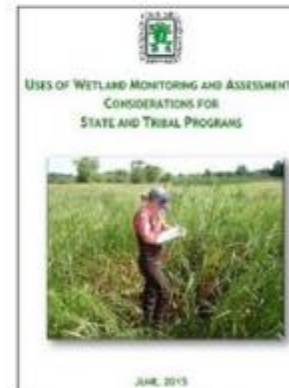
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#### Uses of Monitoring and Assessment in Wetland Programs

Association of State Wetland Managers released a new report - *Uses of Monitoring and Assessment: Considerations for State and Tribal Wetland Programs*. This report - which was prepared with technical assistance from an EPA State Wetland Program Development Grant - explores the various ways that states and tribes could make better use of existing monitoring and assessment methods to obtain science-based answers to wetland management problems. While it provides an overview of many common approaches to wetland monitoring, the focus is primarily on **why** these methods are selected for a given purpose. This report encourages the thoughtful identification of the most appropriate and efficient methods in light of available financial and staff resources.



### Picture of the Week *Lovely Weeds*



Jeanne Christie Photo

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The Association of State Wetland Managers (ASWM) and the Society of Wetland Scientists (SWS) share the common goal of encouraging sound science in wetland research, management, restoration, policy, and conservation. To meet this goal, the two organizations developed a formal partnership in 2015. ADMM is pleased to provide a link to SWS's new Members' Webinar Series and encourage you to investigate their webinar series as well as our own.

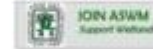
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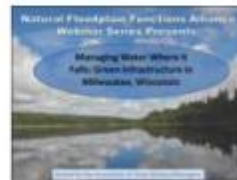
## Hot Topics Webinar Series



## Improving Wetland Restoration Success Project



## Natural Floodplain Functions Alliance Webinar



# Latest NFFA Webinar Posted

**From April 28, 2016**

The Nature Conservancy's  
Emiquon: Restoring Functional  
Floodplain for Nature & People

**Presenter:**

K. Douglas Blodgett  
Director of River Conservation  
Illinois Chapter of The Nature  
Conservancy



# Future Schedule

**June 19-24:** ASFPM Annual Conference  
NFFA Workshop Tues. June 21  
10:30am - 12:00pm CT

**July:** Break

**Aug.:** Webinar/CC: TBD (ASFPM)

**Sept.:** Break

**Oct:** Webinar/CC: TBD (ASWM)

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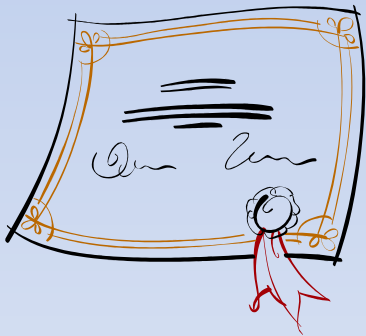
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