



FINAL DRAFT AGENDA

(Subject to Change; Last Revised: 6-24-22)

Monday, August 15

Day 1: Protecting Waters in a Time of Rapid Change

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| 9:00am – 1:00pm | Registration |
| 1:00pm – 1:30pm | Opening & Welcome (Mark Biddle, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, NAWM Board Chair) |
| 1:30pm – 2:00pm | National Association of Wetland Managers – Celebrating New Directions & Expanded Opportunities (Marla Stelk, NAWM Executive Director) |
| 2:00pm – 2:30pm | Keynote: Ken Norton, Chair of the National Tribal Water Council, and Director of the Hoopa Valley Tribal Environmental Protection Agency |
| 2:30pm – 3:00pm | BREAK |
| 3:00pm – 3:30pm | A History of WOTUS: Past is Prologue (Donna Downing, NAWM Senior Legal Policy Advisor) |
| 3:30pm – 4:15pm | WOTUS State/Tribal/Federal Panel (Brian Wolff, Indiana Office of Water Quality; TBD; TBD) |
| 4:15pm – 5:00pm | Wetland Mitigation Beyond CWA Jurisdiction (Mike Ruth, FHWA; Richard Darden, FHWA; Dan Redgate, VA DOT; Becky Pierce, Colorado DOT) |
| 5:00pm – 6:30pm | National Association of Wetland Managers (NAWM) Board Meeting |
| 8:00pm – 11:00pm | Bonfire |

Tuesday, August 16

Day 2 Morning: Sharing the Marsh - Approaches to Equitably Engaging Communities in Wetland Protection and Restoration

- 7:30am – 8:45am Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)
- 8:45am – 9:00am Welcome to Day 2
- 9:00am – 9:30am Army Corps & EPA Presentation on Current Initiatives to Engage Under-Resourced and Minority Communities in Wetland Protections (Brian Frazer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - invited)
- 9:30am – 10:00am AWARDS
- 10:00am – 10:30am BREAK
- 10:30am – 11:00am Protecting Waters and Wetlands in Indian Country: A Guide for Developing Tribal Wetland Management Programs (Kathleen Kutschenreuter, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)
- 11:00am – 11:30am Cultural Competency in Work with Latinx and Indigenous Communities (Alexes Juarez, Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas)
- 11:30am – 12:00pm Amplifying Tribal Peer-to-Peer Networks for Wetland Protection, Restoration and Management in Times of Change (Linda Storm, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, Water Division)
- 12:00pm – 1:30pm LUNCH

Day 2 Afternoon: Staying Afloat - Regulatory Changes and Opportunities for States and Tribes

- 1:30pm – 2:00pm Compensatory Mitigation on Tribal Lands (Mariah K. Black Bird, J.D., Tribal Mitigation Fellow, Environmental Policy Innovation Center)
- 2:00pm – 2:30pm Mitigation Standards Used by States (Jessica Bryzek, Graduate Research Assistant, West Virginia University)
- 2:30pm – 3:00pm Wetlands and Water Quality: Relationships with Watershed Land-Use, Land Cover, Soils, and Water Inputs (Sindupa De Silva, West Virginia University)
- 3:00pm – 3:30pm BREAK
- 3:30pm – 4:15pm Nationwide Permits Panel (Rick Mraz, Washington State Dept. of Ecology; Adam Riggsbee, Riverbank Conservation & ERBA; +TBD)
- 4:15pm – 5:00pm 401 Panel (Lauren Kasparek, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Rick Gitar, Fond Du Lac Tribe; Julia Anastasio, Association of Clean Water Administrators)

Day 2 Evening Activities

7:00pm – 8:00pm Informational Session on the Society of Wetland Scientists Professional Certification Program (Matt Schweisberg, Wetland Studies and Solutions)

Wednesday, August 17

Day 3 Morning: Building Your Nest - Developing a Community of Practice through Effective Outreach and Communications

7:30am – 8:45am Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)

8:45am – 9:00am Welcome to Day 3

9:00am – 9:30am Meeting Multiple Priorities for Wetland Restoration (Elisabeth Cianciola, Massachusetts Department of Fish & Game)

9:30am – 10:00am Delaware Wetlands: Educating the Real Estate Sector (Olivia McDonald, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control)

10:00am – 10:30am BREAK

10:30am – 11:00am Shaping a wetlands outreach and education project in Nebraska wired for today's audience (Ted LaGrange, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission)

11:00am – 11:30am Wetland Management in the Jemez River Headwaters, New Mexico: Realizing Cumulative Returns from Stakeholder Engagement, Multi-Agency Funding and Nature-Based Solutions (Karen Menetrey, Rio Grande Return; Andy Robertson, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota)

11:30am – 12:00pm Recommendations for Reducing Coastal Wetland Loss (Amanda Santoni, U.S. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)

12:00pm – 1:30pm LUNCH

Day 3 Afternoon: Foraging for Funds - Sticking Your Straw into the Infrastructure Pot for Climate Resiliency

1:30pm – 2:00pm Beaver-related Restoration Cost-Share Approaches (Michael Callahan, The Beaver Institute)

2:00pm – 2:30pm Improving Water Quality One Dam Project After Another (Tom Harcarik, Ohio EPA)

2:30pm – 3:00pm A New Home for Wading Birds – Funds for Wetland Creation (Anisa Pjetrovic, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)

3:00pm – 3:30pm BREAK

3:30pm – 4:00pm GROUP PHOTO

4:00pm – 4:45pm Infrastructure & NBS Panel (Eileen Shader, American Rivers; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – invited; Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies - invited)

4:45pm – 5:30pm Stream Restoration Panel (Erik Michelsen, Anne Arundel County, MD; Staci Pomeroy, VT River Management Program; Denise Clearwater, Maryland Department of the Environment)

Day 3 Evening Activities

8:00pm – 11:00pm Bonfire

Thursday, August 18

Day 4 Morning: Learning to Fly - Advances in Geospatial Tools and Technology

8:30am – 9:00am Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)

9:00am – 9:15am Welcome to Day 4

9:15am – 10:00am Panel: Creative Funding Options for Wetland Mapping & Inventories (Moderator: Andy Robertson, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Geospatial Services; Presenters: Mat Halliday, Ducks Unlimited; Mark Biddle, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control; Sara Owen, University of Montana)

10:00am – 10:30am BREAK

10:30am – 11:00am Updating Michigan's NHD and NWI: A Vision for the Future (Chad Fizzell, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality; Robert Goodwin, Michigan State University; Robb Macleod, Ducks Unlimited)

11:00am – 11:30am Dual Automated/Virtual Mapping Project in NY (Laurie Machung, New York City Department of Environmental Protection)

11:30am – 12:00pm Difference Products (Megan Lang, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wetlands Inventory)

12:00pm – 1:30pm LUNCH

Day 4 Afternoon: Passing the Will-O'-Wisp - Continuity and Mentorship for Staffing Changes

1:30pm – 2:30pm Transitions Among Sectors and Retirement: Planning for Institutional Continuity in Wetland Programs (Open Discussion - TBD)

2:30pm - 3:00pm BREAK

3:00pm – 3:45pm Mentorship Panel (TBD)

3:45pm – 4:00pm Wrap Up and Closing

Friday, August 19

Field Trip TBD

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