



AGENDA

Monday, April 27

- 12:30pm – 5:30 pm Field Trip to [JK Black Oak Wildlife Sanctuary](#) (Pre-registration required. Meet at the traffic circle outside Headwaters Lodge.)

- 7:00pm – 8:00pm Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)

Tuesday, April 28

Day 1 Morning: Celebrating and Protecting America’s Wetlands

Breakfast available in Headwaters Lodge from 6:30am – 9:00am.

- 7:30am – 9:00am Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)
- 9:00am – 9:30am Opening Remarks, Welcome and Announcements (Mark Biddle, NAWM Board of Directors Past Chair)
- 9:30am – 10:00am Keynote Presentation: Delaware State Senator Stephanie Hansen, Senate District 10
- 10:00am – 10:30am **BREAK (Sponsored by RES)**
- 10:30am – 11:30am Federal Updates (Brian Frazer, Lauren Kasperek, and Rose Kwok, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and Julien Katchinoff, Office of Conservation and Water, U.S. Department of State)
- 11:30am – 12:00pm NAWM Updates (Portia Osborne and Donna Downing, National Association of Wetland Managers)

Day 1 Afternoon: Innovative Approaches to Wetland Conservation

- 12:00pm – 1:30pm **LUNCH** (available in Headwaters Lodge)
- 1:30pm – 2:15pm Panel: Navigating After Sackett Part 1: How States Are Expanding Wetland Protections (Moderator: [Carrie Sandstedt, The Pew Charitable Trusts](#). Panelists: Annette Quill, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment; Ashley Giles, Colorado Trout Unlimited and RK&K; Teresa Opolka, Washington State Department of Ecology; and Tricia Snyder, NM Wild)

2:15pm – 2:45pm	Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act: Opportunities for States to Review Federal Water Development Projects (Jennifer Sheehan, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission)
2:45pm – 3:15pm	AWARDS AND GROUP PHOTO
3:15pm – 3:45pm	BREAK (Sponsored by RES)
3:45pm – 4:15pm	Evaluating the Status of Wetland Conservation Integration with Multitype State Action Plans in the 50 US States (Zhenghong Tang, University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
4:15pm – 5:00pm	Panel: Navigating After <i>Sackett</i> Part 2: Roadmap to Clean Water Reform (Moderator: Kristine Oblock, Clean Water for All. Panelists: Jim Murphy, National Wildlife Federation, and Erin O’Brien, Wisconsin Wetlands Association)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	NAWM Board Meeting

Dinner available in Headwaters Lodge from 5:30pm – 7:30pm.

Day 1 Evening Activities

8:00pm – 10:00pm Trivia Night

Wednesday, April 29

Day 2 Morning: Resiliency and Changing Environmental Conditions

Breakfast available in Headwaters Lodge from 6:30am – 9:00am.

7:30am – 8:30am	Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)
8:30am – 8:45am	Welcome to Day 2 (Sylvia Troost, The Pew Charitable Trusts)
8:45am – 9:15am	Roots for Resilience: A New Initiative to Enhance Carbon Storage and Climate Adaptation on Maryland’s Lower Eastern Shore (Sarah Koser, Maryland Department of Natural Resources)
9:15am – 9:45am	Marsh Migration Suitability Analysis for Delaware (Alison Rogerson, Delaware Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control)
9:45am – 10:15am	Southeast Michigan GREEN Dashboard: A Regional Planning Tool for Nature-Based Solutions to Flooding (Jes Skillman, Ducks Unlimited and Tyler Klifman, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments)
10:15am – 10:45am	BREAK
10:45am – 11:15am	Quantifying Flood Storage in Urban Floodplain Wetlands (Steven Anderson, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality)
11:15am – 11:45am	Southbridge Wilmington Wetland Park: Resilient Urban Wetland Restoration (Natalie Byers, RK&K)
11:45am – 1:15pm	LUNCH (available in Headwaters Lodge)

Day 2 Afternoon: Geospatial Tools and Techniques

- 1:15pm – 2:30pm NAWM General Membership Meeting: Open to current members and those interested in joining, this meeting is an opportunity to learn more about NAWM and share your ideas and input on the future of the Association
- 2:30pm – 3:00pm Celebrating 50 years of Wetland Mapping and Monitoring: Key Advancements in the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) ([Megan Lang, USFWS](#))
- 3:00pm – 3:30pm **BREAK**
- 3:30pm – 4:00pm National Wetland Inventory Updates for New Mexico: 15 Years of Lessons Learned and Best Practices for Data and Program Development ([Zach Shephard, New Mexico Environment Department](#) and [Andrew Robertson, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota](#))
- 4:00pm – 4:30pm The Open Wetlands Map - an accessible, community-maintained dataset of wetland observations in the United States ([Reed Van Beveran, Environmental Policy Innovation Center](#))
- 4:30pm – 5:00pm Streamlining Wetland Boundary Review: A GIS-Based Approach ([Kara Villone, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services](#))
- 5:00pm – 5:30pm Supporting Wetland Stewardship Through Collaborative Monitoring and Shared Data Systems ([John Paul Miller, Center for Geospatial Solutions, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy](#))

Dinner available in Headwaters Lodge from 5:30pm – 7:30pm.

Day 2 Evening Activities

- 8:00pm – 11:00pm Bonfire and Social Gathering (Lemon Ring Firepit)

Thursday, April 30

Day 3 Morning: Nature-Based Solutions and Aquatic Resource Restoration

Breakfast available in Headwaters Lodge from 6:30am – 9:00am.

- 8:00am – 8:30am Registration (Lobby near the Auditorium)
- 8:30am Welcome to Day 3
- 8:30am – 9:30am Panel: Bridging the Gap: Integrating Nature-Based Solutions Across the Wetland Management Spectrum (Moderator: Karen Menetrey, Rio Grande Return. Panelists: [Andrew Robertson, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota](#); [Mark Biddle, Delaware Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control \(retired\)](#); and [Katie Morgan, Partner Engineering and Science, Inc.](#)

- 9:30am – 10:00am Building Capacity for Wetland Restoration: The East Fork Jemez River Restoration Project in Northern New Mexico ([Shinya Burck, New Mexico Environment Department](#))
- 10:00am – 10:30am **BREAK**
- 10:30am – 11:00am Restoring Beaver Dominated Headwater Stream Systems in Central Indiana ([David Benson, Marian University and Sarah Wright, Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LLC](#))
- 11:00am – 11:30am Implementing effective adaptive management to meet project goals in the face of unforeseen and changing conditions: A case study regarding the interaction of a mosaic wetland on Indian lands and the construction of a fish passable culvert under the state highway ([Ann Boeholt and Camille Felkins, Atlas Technical Consultants](#))
- 11:30am – 1:00pm **LUNCH** (available in Headwaters Lodge)

Day 3 Afternoon: Partnerships and Community Outreach

- 1:00pm – 1:30pm The War Eagle Creek Barrier Removal Project: A Multi-Agency Approach to Stream Restoration and Habitat Connectivity ([Sean Saunders, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission](#))
- 1:30pm – 2:15pm H2Ohio: Restoring Wetlands for Water Quality in Ohio ([Rachel DeNoewer, Nazli A. Yilmaz Wodzinski, and Olivia French, Ohio Department of Natural Resources](#))
- 2:15pm – 2:45pm Wired for Wetland Protection: Communication Strategies, GIS Tools and Community Engagement ([Mary Ann Tilton, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services](#))
- 2:45pm – 3:15pm Project WET's Wild & Wonderful Partnerships and Creative Wetland Connections ([Tomi Bergstrom, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection](#))
- 3:15pm – 3:30pm Final Remarks and Adjournment