Wetland Mapping Consortium

Two Part Webinar:
The Minnesota NWI Update
• A Case Study of Quality Assurance
• Integrating Semi-automated Mapping Techniques into Production Level Wetland Mapping
Welcome!

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Agenda

• Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)
• WMC Webinar Recordings/Schedule (5 minutes)
• Saving NWI – Update (5 minutes)
• The Minnesota NWI Update: A Case Study of Quality Assurance (25 minutes + 10 for Q&A)
• The Minnesota NWI Update: Integrating Semi-automated Mapping Techniques into Production Level Wetland Mapping (25 minutes + 10 for Q&A)
• Wrap up (5 minutes)
ASWM Webinar Series Moderator

Marla Stelk, Policy Analyst

Association of State Wetland Managers
Presenters

Steve Kloiber
Wetland Monitoring Coordinator, Minnesota Dept. of Natural Resources

Robb Macleod
National GIS Coordinator, Ducks Unlimited
Webinar Schedule/Recordings
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WMC Webinars Posted

From February 19, 2014
Megan Lang’s “Mapping Forested Wetland Inundation with the Landsat Historic Record”

From January 22, 2014
Andy Robertson’s “The Evolution of NWI and How It Has Changed”
Future Schedule - 2014

- **May 21:** Using Land Cover Change Data to Better Understand Wetland Trends (Nate Herold, NOAA Coastal Services Center)
- **June 18:** The Use of gSSURGO for HGM Wetland Site Concept Development and Mapping (Rich Weber, NRCS) *This is the webinar he gave at the ASWM 2014 Winter Meeting – it was very well received so we asked him to do it again for those who may have missed it.*
- **July 16:** Using SURRGO data to identify potentially restorable soils (John Galbraith, Virginia Tech) AND Presentation of a case study on use of potentially restorable wetlands data in Wisconsin (Andy Robertson, Saint Mary’s University)
- **August 20:** Introduction to Surface Waters and Wetland Inventory (Mitch Bergeson, US FWS)
Saving NWI

- NWI funds are being redirected to other program areas within the FWS
- Shell letter sent out to all WMC members
  - Asked WMC members to use shell letter or create own letter of support and to send to FWS Regional Directors & Director Dan Ashe
Help us Save the National Wetlands Inventory

The future of the National Wetlands Inventory is at risk. The National Wetlands Inventory program is one of the oldest and most frequently used government mapping resources. However, its capacity to fulfill its mission has been compromised by a gradual but significant decrease in financial support for the program and redirection of existing funding to other program areas by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Please add your organization as a co-signer on our open letter to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director, Dan Ashe, urging him to continue funding and increase support for the National Wetlands Inventory.

Mr. Daniel M. Ashe, Director
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
1849 C Street NW, Room 3331
Washington, D.C. 20240-0001

Dear Director Ashe,

We are asking you to help secure the future of our nation's wetlands by supporting the continuation of the National Wetlands Inventory and increased funding for its programs. The National Wetlands Inventory program is one of the oldest and most frequently used government mapping resources. However, its capacity to fulfill its mission has been compromised by a gradual decrease in financial support for the program and redirection of existing funding to other program areas by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Wetlands and wildlife. The National Wetlands Inventory offers Americans the opportunity to work together, share resources and knowledge, to literally see the bigger picture and to steer our country into a sustainable future. But it needs the support of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to continue doing so. Please make an investment in America's natural resource future by supporting the continuation of the National Wetlands Inventory and increasing its funding.

We would welcome an opportunity to discuss the importance of the National Wetlands Inventory for wetland conservation in a meeting. Please contact Jeanne Christie, Executive Director of the Association of State Wetland Managers at (207) 892-3399 or at jeanette.christie@aswm.org. Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Jeanne Christie, Executive Director, Association of State Wetland Managers

The Wetland Mapping Consortium
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Thank You for Participating!