"Building Wetland Program Capacity in an Everchanging Environment"

**DRAFT AGENDA**

*(3/20/20)*

*ALL TIMES ARE IN EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME*

**Tuesday, April 7th**

**Day 1 Morning: Welcome, Keynote and Shifting Regulatory Frameworks**

10:45am – 11:15am  **ASWM Now and Into the Future** - Mark Biddle, Chair, Association of State Wetland Managers and Marla Stelk, Executive Director, Association of State Wetland Managers

11:15am – 12:00pm  **Keynote Speech: An Introduction to the National Tribal Water Council** - Michael Bolt, Vice Chair, National Tribal Water Council


12:45 – 1:30pm  **Bundling Mitigation Credits Panel: Pros, Cons and Policy Recommendations** - Moderator: Marla Stelk, Association of State Wetland Managers. Panelists: Palmer Hough, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; David Olson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Jill Aspinwall, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; Joseph Williams, Ecosystem Investment Partners; Kevin Halsey, EcoMetrix Solutions Group, LLC.

1:30pm – 2:00pm  **BREAK**

**Day 1 Afternoon: State, Tribal & Federal Program and Policy Updates**

2:00pm – 3:00pm  **Waters of the U.S. Session: Identifying State/Tribal Needs** - Mindy Eisenberg, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Stacey Jensen, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
3:00pm – 3:30pm  National Wetlands Inventory Updates - Jonathan Phinney, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wetlands Inventory


4:15pm – 5:00pm  EPA’s ESTP Core Elements Refresh Panel – Moderators: Michael McDavit and Rebecca Dils, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Panelists: Yvonne Vallette, Kerryanne Weaver, and Eliodora Chamberlain, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Wednesday, April 8th

Day 2 Morning: Wetland Program Capacity Building Tools and Case Studies

11:00am – 11:30am  ASWM’s Building State Capacity and Assumption Projects Preliminary Findings - Brenda Zollitsch, Association of State Wetland Managers

11:30am – 12:00pm  Maximizing the Capacity of State Wetland Program Plans through Promoting the Integration of Wetland Conservation with Local Planning System - Zhenghong Tang, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Ted LaGrange, Nebraska Game & Parks Commission

12:00pm – 12:30pm  Fort Berthold Three Affiliated Tribes, North Dakota: A Case Study for Building a Successful Tribal Wetland Program Plan - Andy Robertson, Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota

12:30pm – 1:00pm  Quantifying the Spiritual and Ecological Value of Wetlands - Jessica Raley, Kickapoo Tribe

1:00pm – 1:30pm  How Cities and States are Using Policy to Drive Nature-Based Solutions to Flooding - Sarah Edwards, Pew Charitable Trusts

1:30pm – 2:00pm  BREAK

Day 2 Afternoon: Restoration, Mitigation and Mapping

2:00pm – 2:30pm  Developing and Implementing a Wetland Mitigation Compliance Program - Rick Mraz, Washington State Department of Ecology

2:30pm – 3:00pm  New York City’s Mitigation Program: Lessons Learned - Max Taffet, New York City Economic Development Corporation

3:00pm – 3:30pm  ASWM’s Urban Wetlands Project Preliminary Findings - William Dooley, Association of State Wetland Managers

3:30pm – 4:00pm  New Jersey State and Federal Agencies Cooperate to Create a Watershed Resources Registry - Michael Herzberger, Maryland Environmental Service and Ellen Bryson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3
4:00pm – 4:30pm  BREAK

4:30pm – 6:00pm  **Wetland Mapping Consortium Session**

4:30pm – 5:00pm  Developing an automated wetlands mapping system for North America - Robb Macleod, Ducks Unlimited

5:00pm – 5:30pm  Applications of NWI Data - Herb Bergquist, U.S. FWS National Wetlands Inventory

5:30pm – 6:00pm  Innovative Technologies for Wetland Monitoring - Jessica Norriss, Upstream Tech

**Thursday, April 9th**

**Day 3 Morning: Wetlands, Wildlife and Watersheds**

11:00am – 11:30am  Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act: Opportunities for States to Review Federal Water Development Projects – Jennifer Sheehan, Arkansas Game & Fish Commission

11:30am – 12:00pm  Healthy Wetland and Public Health Involvement among Native American Nations: Mosquito Borne Disease Transmission - Nestoria L. Wright, Kickapoo Tribe

12:00pm – 12:30pm  Streamflow Duration Assessment Methods for Classifying Ephemeral, Intermittent, and Perennial Streams - Rachel Harrington, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

12:30pm – 1:00pm  Tidal Restrictions: tools and resources to help build state/tribal capacity - Amanda Santoni, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

1:00pm – 1:30pm  Closing Remarks and Farewell

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