2021 Water Summit Agenda

AUGUST 9 – REGIONAL PLANNING FORUM, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

1:00 – 2:15 Central Indiana Water Study & Public Meeting

Demand & Availability Findings, Recommendations, and Panel Discussion

*Dr. Jack Wittman, Intera; Mark Basch, IDNR; Jeff Frey, USGS*

2:15 – 2:30 BREAK / ACTIVITY

2:30 – 3:30 New IFA Funding Guidance (SWIF), Regional Project Showcase, Statewide Regional Planning Discussion, & Agency Q&A Panel

*Sarah Hudson, IFA; Maureen Hayden, Drew Flamion, Commonwealth Engineering, Inc.; Ryan Mueller, IDNR*

3:30 – 3:45 BREAK / ACTIVITY

3:45 – 5:00 Existing Regional Basin Commissions’ Structure, Activities, & Future Statewide Regional Planning Needs

*Matt Meersman, St. Joe River Basin Commission; Rod Renkenberger, Maumee River Basin Commissioner; Scott Pelath, Kankakee River Basin Commission*

*5:30 – 6:15 White River Alliance Annual Meeting*

AUGUST 10 – WATER SUMMIT EVENT, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

8:30 – 8:45 Welcome Address

8:45 – 9:05 Regional & Statewide Water Challenges & Needs: the Role of the Summit and its Roadmap Forward

*Water Summit Leadership Team*

9:05 – 9:45 Keynote Address – Stormwater on the Margins

*Rachel Scarlett, Purdue University*

9:45 – 10:05 BREAK /ACTIVITY

10:05 – 11:45 National Showcase & Speaker Q&A: Strategic Stormwater Infrastructure Investments & Incentive Programs, insights from Detroit and Philadelphia

*Palencia Mobley, City of Detroit; Jessica Brooks, City of Philadelphia*

What’s It Really Take Shift the Focus of Stormwater Management: Experiences and Tools from the City of Bloomington, IN

*James Hall, City of Bloomington; Heather Williams, Wood*

LUNCH & NETWORKING

12:30 – 1:15 Drought Planning & Industry Considerations with the State Climatologist & the Indiana Chamber

*Beth Hall, Indiana State Climate Office – Purdue University; Greg Ellis, Indiana Chamber of Commerce*

1:15 – 2:15 Agriculture Best Practices Showcase & Panel: Edge of Field Monitoring, Two-Stage Ditch Findings, and Practical Considerations for Future Conservation Efforts

*Todd Royer, Indiana University; Chad Schotter, NRCS; Dan Perkins, Perkins Good Earth Farm*

2:15 – 2:50 Carbon-Credit Markets, Their Role in Water Management, and Associated Policy Discussions

*Senator Sue Glick, Indiana Legislature; Bill Schleizer, Delta Institute*

2:50 – 3:10 BREAK / ACTIVITY

3:10 – 3:40 Next Steps Discussion & Participant Input: How to advance policy & programs

*Matt Meersman, St. Joe River Basin Commission; Scott Pelath, Kankakee River Basin Commission; Jim McGoff, Indiana Finance Authority; John Ketzenberger, Nature Conservancy*

3:40 – 4:50 Legislative Happenings & Other Agency Initiatives

* Carbon Credit Work Group, *ISDA/DNR*
* Waste Water Work Group and PFAS Initiatives, *Representatives Hamilton & Mayfield*
* Wetlands Regulation Update & Task Force, *Bruno Pigott, IDEM Commissioner*
* Announcement: Post-Summit Topical Forums (Wetlands and PFASs) with Purdue

4:50 – 5:00 Participant Input Wrap Up & Concluding Commentary

Sign-up for Summit Working Committee

*5:00 – 6:30 Happy Hour Networking & Live Music in the Bier Garten with She Drums with Knives*