

INDIANA WATER SUMMIT

August 27, 2025



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- 9:00 Welcome
💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*
- 9:10 “Collaboration is an Antidote for Uncertainty: Stewarding the Future of Water, Together”
💧 *Danielle Gallet, Waterwell, LLC*
- 9:35 Our Water – Where and How Is It? Highlights from a Recent Report
💧 *Garth Lindner, Indiana Department of Natural Resources*
- 10:00 Better Measures for Better Management: the Next Generation of Water Observations
💧 *Dave Lampe, US Geological Survey*
- 10:25 Next Region Up: Indiana Regional Water Studies Continue with the Kankakee Basin
💧 *Sarah Hudson Indiana Finance Authority*
- 10:40 --- BREAK ---
- What's Happening on the Ohio? Regional Collaborations & New Developments--**
- 11:00 ORSANCO, the Ohio River Basin Alliance, and the Ohio River Basin Restoration Plan
💧 *Sam Dinkins, Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission*
💧 *Chris Lorentz, Thomas More University & Ohio River Basin Alliance*
- 11:35 Pigeon Creek: Indiana's New Watershed Development Commission
💧 *Kristi Johnson, Indiana Department of Natural Resources*
- 11:50 Origin Park in Southeastern Indiana
💧 *Dennis Schnurbush II, River Heritage Conservancy*
- 12:05 Regionalism Discussion - Audience Participation
- 12:20--- LUNCH ---
- 1:05 A Voice from the River!
💧 *Eddie Gill IV, Friends of the White River*

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--- *Water Needs, Challenges, and Solutions* ---

1:20 Everything's (About to Be) Up to Date in Switz City: Infrastructure Improvement Based on a Comprehensive Asset Management Approach

- ◆ *Adam Hershberger, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water*
- ◆ *Wei Liao, Purdue University*
- ◆ *Tom Iseley, Purdue University*

1:50 Septics and Water Quality Impacts

- ◆ *Lakin Cuchetto, Conservation Law Center*

2:15 Regional Sewers in the Lakes District

- ◆ *Ken Jones, Jones Petrie Rifinski*

2:40 The "Farm Advisors" Program and Regenerative Agriculture Practices

- ◆ *Ray McCormick, McCormick Farms*

3:10 --- BREAK ---

--- *Seeing the Benefits* ---

3:30 Indiana's In-Lieu Fee Program and Wetland Conservation

- ◆ *Brad Baldwin, Indiana Department of Natural Resources*

4:00 Worth It? Property Value Impacts from Cleanup Efforts in the Great Lakes Areas of Concern

- ◆ *Alecia Cassidy, University of Alabama*

4:25 The Most Positive Water Impact of 2024

- ◆ *Christian Freitag, Conservation Law Center*

4:40 What Caught Your Eyes and Ears Today? Your Feedback

5:00 Wrap-up Comments & Adjourn

5:15 Annual Meeting & Stewardship Awards (Optional)

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