

# 2026 Indiana Water Summit DRAFT Topical Agenda

## Day 1 – Wednesday, August 19th

Morning session 1. “A Progress Report on Developing Indiana’s Water Planning Framework” – remarks by Suzanne Jaworowski, Secretary of Energy & Natural Resources

Followed by a panel discussion with state agency leaders:

Department of Environmental Management: Commissioner Clint Woods

Department of Natural Resources: Deputy Director Ryan Mueller

Department of Homeland Security: Director Jonathan Whitham

Indiana Finance Authority: State Public Finance Director James McGoff

Morning session 2. Stream water quality in Indiana – what is regulated, by whom, and how?

Lunch and Group Discussions – a revised Indiana Water Roadmap

Afternoon session 1. Lunch activity report out

Afternoon session 2. Groundwater quality in Indiana – what do we know and not know?

Afternoon session 3. The role of local governments in protecting water in Indiana

Afternoon session 4. Policy discussion: Ensuring clean, safe water – our current status and opportunities for progress

## Day 2 – Thursday, August 20th

Morning session 1. “Collaboration Isn’t Optional Anymore” – remarks by Michelle Stockness, Executive Director, The Freshwater Society

Morning session 2. Addressing emerging concerns, part 1 - PFAS

Morning session 3. Addressing emerging concerns, part 2 – microplastics and pharmaceuticals

Morning session 4. Policy discussion on responding to emerging concerns

Lunch and Group Discussions - Critical next steps for the state?

Afternoon session 1. Lunch activity report out

Afternoon session 2. Drainage, nutrients, and water quality

Afternoon session 3. Economic development, water, and data centers

Afternoon session 4. Policy Discussion: Making water protection compatible with economic development