

INDIANA WATER SUMMIT

August 19, 2026



8:15 Doors Open - Coffee, Tea, Light Breakfast Available

8:45 Welcome

💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

9:00 Progress Report on the Development of the State's Water Planning Framework

💧 *Suzanne Jaworowski, Secretary of Energy and Natural Resources*

9:30 State Water Policy Implementation with State Agency Officials

💧 *Ryan Mueller, Indiana Department of Natural Resources*

💧 *Clint Woods, Indiana Department of Environmental Management*

💧 *Jim McGoff, State of Indiana*

💧 *Jonathan Witham, Indiana Department of Homeland Security*

10:10 --- BREAK ---

10:30 Stream Water Quality in Indiana - What is Regulated, by Whom, and How? The Case of Eagle Creek and the LEAP District

💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

💧 *Kelly Brown, White River Alliance*

💧 *Shannon Killion, White River Alliance*

12:00 --- LUNCH ---

- *Group discussion topic: the updated Indiana Water Roadmap - viewing the Roadmap strategies from multiple perspectives: what are the challenges to implementing these strategies and what would help address those challenges?*

1:35 Lunch Activity Report-Out

2:00 Topic and Presenters TBD

💧 *TBD*

2:50 --- BREAK ---

3:10 The Role of Local Governments in Protecting Water in Indiana

💧 *Amanda Trakas, Alliance of Indiana Rural Water*

💧 *Shannon Hayes, City of Richmond*

💧 *Others TBD*

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4:00 Policy Discussion: Ensuring Clean, Safe Water – Our Current Status and Opportunities for Progress

- 💧 *Brett Clark, Indiana State Senate*
- 💧 *Others TBD*

4:40 Closing Remarks

- 💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

5:00 *White River Alliance Annual Meeting*

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9:00 Collaboration Is Not Optional

💧 *Michelle Stockness, Freshwater Society*

9:30 Addressing Emerging Concerns: PFAS

💧 *Matthew Hobbs, Indiana American Water*

💧 *Lauren Nielsen, KERAMIDA*

💧 *Others TBD*

10:20 --- BREAK ---

10:40 Addressing Emerging Concerns: Microplastics and Pharmaceuticals

💧 *Julie Peller, Valparaiso University*

💧 *Kyle Doudrick, University of Notre Dame*

💧 *Others TBD*

11:20 Policy Options for Meeting These Challenges - Policy Discussion

💧 *TBD*

12:00 --- LUNCH ---

- *Group discussion topic: Critical next steps for the State - what are the priority concerns and what actions are needed in 2027 and 2028?*

1:35 Lunch Activity Report-Out

2:00 Drainage, Nutrients, and Water Quality

💧 *Michael Dunn, The Nature Conservancy*

💧 *TBD*

2:50 --- BREAK ---

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3:10 Economic Development, Water, and Data Centers

- 💧 *Hasaranga Jayathilake, Indiana University Indianapolis*
- 💧 *Rachel Havrelock, University of Illinois - Chicago*
- 💧 *Others TBD*

4:10 Making Water Protection Compatible with Economic Development - Policy Discussion

- 💧 *TBD*

4:40 Closing Remarks

- 💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

💧 *Adjourn to Happy Hour Reception*