

# 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*

💧 *David Bausman, Indiana State Department of Agriculture*

**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 Groundwater Quality in Indiana: What We Know and Don't Know**

💧 *TBD*

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**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*
- ◆ *Kumar Menon, City of Fort Wayne*
- ◆ *Others TBD*

## 4:40 Closing Remarks

- ◆ *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

## 5:00 *White River Alliance Annual Meeting*

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💧 *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

**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**

💧 *Maureen Bauer, Indiana House of Representatives*

💧 *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*

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2:50 --- BREAK ---

**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**

- ◆ *Mike Aylesworth, Indiana House of Representatives*
- ◆ *TBD*

**4:40 Closing Remarks**

- ◆ *Jill Hoffmann, White River Alliance*

◆ *Adjourn to Happy Hour Reception*