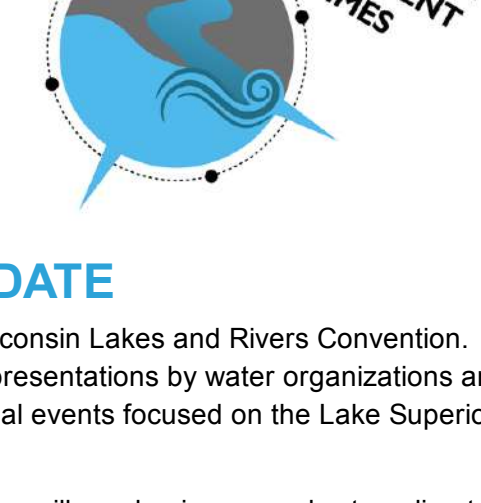
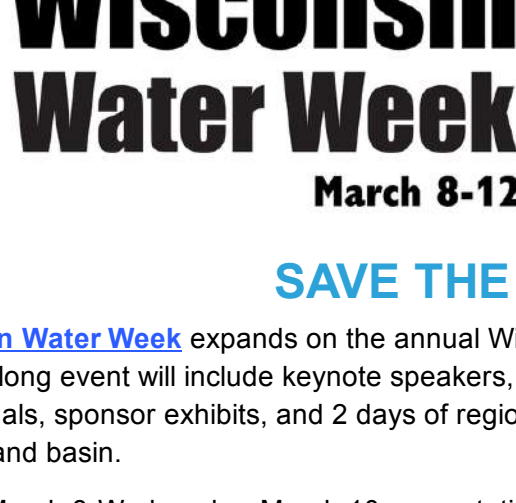


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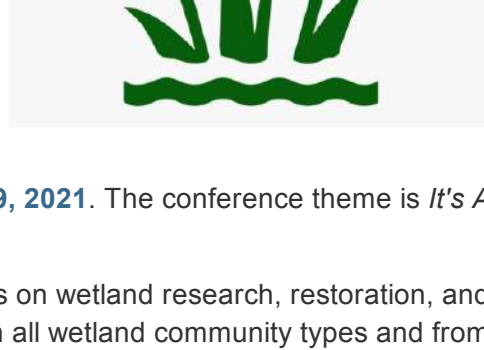
[Wisconsin Water Week](#) expands on the annual Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention. This weeklong event will include keynote speakers, presentations by water organizations and professionals, sponsor exhibits, and 2 days of regional events focused on the Lake Superior coastline and basin.

Monday, March 8-Wednesday, March 10 presentations will emphasize groundwater, climate, water quality, and community actions. [Submit a presentation by October 30.](#)

Thursday, March 11 and Friday, March 12 events will emphasize regional issues, including events and speakers specific to the Lake Superior basin. Organizations interested in scheduling and leading virtual or in-person events related to local, Lake Superior water issues are asked to complete [this brief interest form](#). Requests for Lake Superior regional presentations are forthcoming.

The Lake Superior regional planning team is seeking volunteers to assist with planning March 11-March 12 events. Contact Erin Burkett at [erin.burkett@wisc.edu](mailto:erin.burkett@wisc.edu) if you are interested in helping.

## Call for Presentations: Wetland Science Conference



Do you have a wetland research or management project to share? The Wisconsin Wetland Association invites presentation abstract submissions for their **26th annual Wetland Science Conference, held virtually February 16-19, 2021**. The conference theme is *It's All About the Water*.

Proposals may include oral presentations and posters on wetland research, restoration, and management projects. Presentations on work done in all wetland community types and from the Midwest region are welcome, as long as the content of the presentation applies to Wisconsin wetlands.

**The abstract submission deadline is November 15, 2020. Submit your abstract [HERE](#).**

## Featured Webinars

### Conservation Conversations: Environment Justice, Equity, and Inclusion for Indigenous Americans

Wednesday, October 21 | 1:00pm CDT

Overview: Indigenous Americans continue to struggle to deal with the inequities -- created by the mostly white, male conservation establishment -- they have been subject to for generations. These manifest themselves in many ways, but are most apparent in the failure of the conservation establishment to include Native Americans in decisions affecting the management of their natural resources, in the treatment of their native lands, in respecting their expertise and traditional ecological knowledge, and in providing them with opportunities to advance their knowledge and secure employment in the conservation field. This discussion will focus on why the conservation establishment continues to fail to adequately engage with Indigenous Americans seeking to manage their native lands and associated landscapes in the ecosystems they have occupied for generations. Most importantly, panelists will discuss ways to address current conservation challenges such as racism, sexism and longstanding practices of exclusion of BIPOC while addressing climate change, co-existence, and the loss of biodiversity so that all Americans can benefit from the knowledge and expertise that Indigenous Americans have to offer in helping to guide the conservation of our natural resources for generations to come.

Panelists:

- Rosalyn La Pier - Associate Professor, Environmental Studies, University of Montana
- Robin Saha - Associate Professor, Environmental Studies and Climate Change Studies, University of Montana
- Chad Bishop - Director, Wildlife Biology Program, and Associate Professor, Ecosystem and Conservation Sciences, University of Montana

[Webinar Registration](#)

### Managing Water Level Impacts for Wisconsin's Beaches

Tuesday, October 27, 2020 | 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM CDT

Overview: The Wisconsin Coastal Beaches Workgroup's October webinar will feature a panel of experts who will discuss a range of water level issues, including basin hydrology, water level forecasts, nearshore water level impacts, and useful tools for examining coastal processes. In addition, we will hear a local case study of designing a beach for resiliency, which provides important lessons from design conception to currently faced challenges. Speaker presentations will be followed by a Q&A with webinar participants.

Panelists:

- Deanna Apps, Physical Scientist, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Detroit District
- Adam Bechle, Coastal Engineering Outreach Specialist, Wisconsin Sea Grant
- Julie Kinzelman, Laboratory Division Director, City of Racine – Public Health Department

[Webinar Registration](#)

## In The News

### CHAOS Fall Event: How Resilient Is Your Community to Coastal Hazards?

The Coastal Hazards of Superior (CHAOS) community of practice fall meeting will focus on identifying how resilient your community is to coastal hazards using existing tools. We'll also take a virtual "field trip" to Grand Marais, MN to visit sites where native plants protect shorelines from erosion and wave action. **Register to join us on November 5 from 10:00-11:30 am.**

### Public Comment Period: WisCALM Surface Water Assessment

The Wisconsin DNR is seeking comments on the updated Wisconsin Consolidated Assessment and Listing Methodology (WisCALM). [WisCALM](#) provides guidance for how water management specialists evaluate surface water quality across the state of Wisconsin under the Clean Water Act. Updates for the 2022 cycle include reorganization based on assessment type, the addition of E. coli assessment methods, new Healthy Waters subcategories, and the addition of information on assessment timeline, automation, and total waters in the state.

The public comment period will be held from Oct. 12 to Nov. 20, 2020. Public comments on the latest WisCALM guidance can be submitted to: [dnr@pairedwaters@wisconsin.gov](mailto:dnr@pairedwaters@wisconsin.gov) or via mail to Ashley Beranek, DNR, Bureau of Water Quality, WQ/3, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921. Visit <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/SurfaceWater/WisCALM.html> for more information.

## Funding

### \*NEW\* Waterway and Wetland Program

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Green Bay Fish & Wildlife Conservation Office is pleased to announce we are now accepting project proposals for a funding opportunity to help conserve, restore and enhance wetlands and aquatic species in Wisconsin. Please see the attached for more information. The application and RFP announcement will be posted on the DNR website soon at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Wetlands/restoration.html>.

This announcement initiates a rolling request for proposals for this funding source. DNR will be reviewing applications annually each spring, shortly after applicable USFWS grants are awarded (e.g. National Fish Passage Program and the National Fish Habitat Partnership, see attached). For more information, contact Jessica Collier at [jessica\\_collier@fws.gov](mailto:jessica_collier@fws.gov) or by phone at 920-866-1728.

### \*NEW\* Joint Solicitation for Groundwater Research and Monitoring

The State of Wisconsin invites proposals for scientific research that advances our understanding and management of Wisconsin groundwater. Recorded informational webinar and details available at <https://www.wri.wisc.edu/opportunities/state-of-wisconsin-joint-solicitation/>.

### Surface Water Grants

The Wisconsin DNR's restructured Surface Water Grants program supports a wide range of education, planning, and management projects. **Applications are due November 1.** Details including a detailed applicant guide available at <https://dnr.wi.gov/Aid/SurfaceWater.html>.

### 2021-2022 Coastal Management Grants

The Wisconsin Coastal Management Program grants support projects ranging from coastal wetland protection, habitat restoration, and lakes community planning to public access and historic preservation projects and Great Lakes education. **Applications are due November 2.** Details available at <https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/LocalGovtsGrants/CoastalGrants.aspx>.

## Featured Publications

**Forest Health News & Resources**, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Forestry Division ([dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/ForestHealth](http://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/ForestHealth))  
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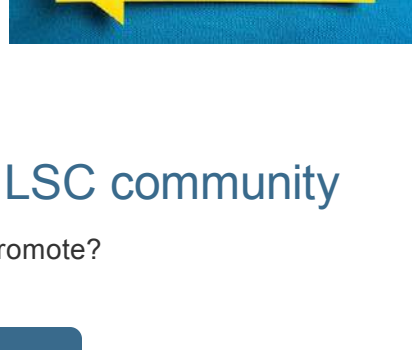
**Building an Equitable and Just Green Infrastructure Strategy in the North Central Region**, North Central Region Water Network (<https://northcentralwater.org/>)

[Press Release](#) | [Whitepaper \(PDF\)](#)

## Job Opportunities

**Stewardship Assistant**, Landmark Conservancy

<https://www.landmarkwi.org/now-hiring.html>

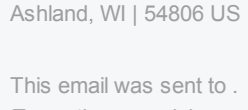


## Share your events & news with the LSC community

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[LSC news submission form](#)

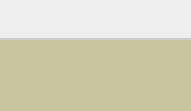
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