

13th Annual Fox River Summit

Thursday, March 13, 2025

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*** Program Outline***

7:15 AM	Registration-coffee/tea/assorted small danish & muffins, juices
8:00 AM	**Welcome and Introductions**
8:15 AM	State of the Fox River Address --Gary Swick, Friends of the Fox River
9:00 AM	Wake Boat, Lake Users and Lake Management Challenges --Tom Koepp, Pewaukee Lake Sanitary District
9:30 AM	How Emotion and Language Impacts Aquatic Plant Management --Tim Campbell, AIS Program Manager, USFWS/Sea Grant AIS Liaison, University of Wisconsin Sea Grant
9:50 AM	Southeastern WI Regional Natural Areas Plan update-Explorer Webtool --Zach Kron, Ben Johnson-Southeast WI Regional Planning Commission
10:00 AM	Break-coffee/snacks
10:15AM	Community Action for Clean Water: Milwaukee Riverkeeper's Role in Pollution Response & Restoration --Cheryl Nenn, Riverkeeper
11:15 AM	Addressing climate resiliency in the agricultural community of the Milwaukee River Basin --Kristin Schultheis, Senior Project Planner, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District
11:45 AM	How Wisconsin Farmer led Groups are leading the way in Soil health practices across the country --Tony Peirick, Dodge County Farmers Healthy Soil and Healthy Water group & Fields of Sinsinawa
12:15 PM	Lunch break
1:10 PM	It's Our Fox River Day 2025! --Gary Swick, Friends of the Fox River
1:30 PM	Fabulous Fox! <i>National</i> Water Trail updates -- Karen Miller, Kane County Development Dept/Lynda Fink, Waukesha County
1:50 PM	Fox River Otter Status (Urban River Otter Research Project) --Chris Anchor, Senior Wildlife Biologist
2:10 PM	Present day and future extreme rainfall statistics for the Fox River Watershed --Steve Vavrus, Center for Climatic Research
2:30 PM	Break-coffee/snacks
2:45 PM	Carpentersville Dam Removal ***Keynote Panel Speakers*** Jennifer Rooks-Lopez, Forest Preserve District of Kane County/ Robert Linke, Kane County Dept. of Environmental & Water Resources/ Derrick Martin, Natural Resources Group Manager, V3 Companies (contractor)/ and, Derek Brehm, Operations Manager, RES (consultant)
3:45 PM	The dam is gone. What Happened? --Art Malm, Friends of the Fox River
4:00 PM	Social/informal time
4:30 PM	Raffle/Adjourn