Arkansas Water Resources Center Nutrients, Water Quality and Harmful Algal Blooms

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JULY 26 & 27, 2016 AWRC Annual Conference Fayetteville Town Center

WELCOME TO THE 2016 ANNUAL WATERSHED & RESEARCH CONFERENCE

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We appreciate your service!

Tuesday July 26

7:00 am

Check-in, Coffee, Juice, Pastries

Session 1: The Complex Nature of Water Quality Management

8:30 am

Conference Welcome & Introduction Brian Haggard, AWRC Director, UA Dept. of Biological and Agricultural Engineering

8:40 am

Weather in 2016 So Far/A Look Ahead **John Lewis**, *National Weather Service Little Rock*

9:10 am

Water Quality – Why Such a Challenge? **Rick Cruse**, *Iowa Water Center*

9:35 am

Progress Report: Nutrient Trading in Arkansas and Act 335 – The Possibilities **Heath Ward**, *Springdale Water Utilities*, *Nutrient Trading Advisory Panel*

10:00 am Networking Break



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Session 2: Nutrient Sources and Transport

10:30 am

Nitrate Transport in Karst Environments: Surface Runoff vs Groundwater Inputs **Tim Kresse**, US Geological Survey Arkansas Water Science Center

10:45 am

Hydrologic Connectivity and its Effects on Downstream Hydrology and Water Quality **Nate Jones**, *Virginia Tech Department of Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation*

11:00 am

Phosphorus in Streambanks: a Source of Phosphorus to Streams and Rivers **Garey Fox**, Oklahoma Water Resources Center

11:15 am

Applications of Reservoir Limnology Theory and Steady State Modeling to Eutrophication Management in Beaver Reservoir, Arkansas

Matthew Rich, University of Arkansas Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences

Lunch & Poster Session

11:30 am Lunch Provided 12:30 pm Poster Session

Presenters should chaperone their posters.

POSTER SESSION

REU STUDENT POSTERS

Gross Energy Output of Global Fisheries and Aquaculture

Student Barbara M. Barnett, York College Advisor Dr. Stephen K. Boss Mentor Quinn Montana

Inter-annual Variability in Ozark Stream Metabolism

Student Tyler Fletcher, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Dr. Michelle Evans-White **Mentor** Allyn Dodd

Effects of Non-Native Vegetation on Aquatic Communities and Prairie Associated Amphibians

Student Micalea Klaus, Ottawa University Advisor Dr. John D. Willson Mentor Chelsea Kross-Bramlett

Predation of Lotic Crayfish Before and During Drought

Student Scott Koenigbauer, University of Michigan **Advisor** Dr. Daniel Magoulick **Mentor** Christopher Middaugh

Ethnography of Hawaiian Culture and Health with Food Hub Solutions to Health Disparities

Student Olivia Lynn Morgan, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Dr. Marty Matlock

Sediment Phosphorus Flux at Lake Tenkiller, Oklahoma: How Important are Internal Sources?

Student Abbie Lasater, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Dr. Brian Haggard **Mentor** Dr. Brad Austin

Comparing Photosynthesis Model Parameters of Different Rice Genotypes with Varying Drought Sensitivity Using CO2 and Light Response Curves

Student Madeleine Meadows-McDonnell, Smith College Advisor Dr. Kusum Naithani Mentor Dr. Jessica Beth Moon

The Effects of Low Level Salt Concentrations on Photosynthesis, Growth, and Community Composition of Periphyton

Student Anastasia Mogilevski, Gettysburg College Advisor Dr. Sally Entrekin Mentors Brooke Howard-Parker. Dr. Michelle Evans-White

Scan Level Life Cycle Assessments of Recirculating Hydroponic, Aquaculture, and Aquaponic systems Student Kelly Walls, University of Arkansas Advisor Dr. Marty Matlock

Mentor James McCarty

Do Light and Dissolved Phosphorus Levels Affect Leaf Litter Lignin Decomposition in Experimental Streams

Student Brendon White, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Dr. Sally Entrekin **Mentors** Brooke Howard Parker, Dr. Michelle Evans-White

Poster session continues on next page

POSTER SESSION

GRADUATE STUDENT POSTERS

Do Climate Risks Affect the use of Irrigation Technologies and Water Management Practices?: Evidence from Arkansas

Student Tyler Knapp, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Qiuqiong Huang

Restoration Proposal for University Stream and Surrounding Landscape

Student Elise Coffelt and Nate Weston **Advisor** Dr. Sally Entrekin

Microbial Respiration Dose-Response to Low Level Salt Concentrations

Student Brooke Howard-Parker **Advisor** Dr. Sally Entrekin

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Evaluating the Benthotorch® for rapid assessment of benthic chlorophyll

Students Brad Rogers, Oklahoma State University **Advisor** Dr. Dan Storm

Development of a Watershed Based Plan for Stillwater Creek

Student Curt Dikes, Oklahoma State University **Advisor** Scott Stoodley

Investigating Fate of Silver Nanoparticles in Model Wastewater Biofilm Students Connie Walden, University of Arkansas

Students Connie Walden, University of Arkansas Advisor Wen Zhang

Assessing Biodegradable Organic Matter in Source Drinking Water

Student Bernardo Zacouteguy, University of Arkansas **Advisor** Wen Zhang

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Tuesday July 26

Session 3: Watershed-Scale Influences on Water Quality

1:30 pm

Landscape Natural Characteristics and Human Disturbances Interact to Affect Stream Macroinvertebrate Communities **Lucy Baker**, University of Central Arkansas Department of Biology

1:45 pm

Does the Orientation of Urban Land Use Influence White Oak Bayou Stream and Wetland Water Quality?

Stephanie Stoughton, University of Central Arkansas Department of Biology

2:00 pm

A Three-Dimensional Lake Model to Support Total Maximum Daily Load Development for Lake Wister

Thad Scott, University of Arkansas Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences

2:15 pm

TMDL Implementation to Reduce Nutrients and Sediment to a Drinking Water Reservoir **Greg Phillips**, *GBMc & Associates*

2:30 pm

Baseline and Trends in Water Quality in the Beaver Lake Watershed Angela Danovi, Ozarks Water Watch

2:45 pm Networking Break

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Session 4: Biological Thresholds and Responses to Water Quality

3:15 pm

EPA Region 6 Perspective on Nutrient Criteria Development Forrest John, Environmental Protection Agency Region 6

3:30 pm

Nutrient Criteria Development in Arkansas

Tate Wentz, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

3:45 pm

Biological and Ecological Consequences of Sub-Lethal Ion Concentrations on Microbial and Macroinvertebrate Detritivores **Sally Entrekin**, University of Central Arkansas Department of Biology

4:00 pm

Relationships Among Nutrients, Algae, and Macrograzers in the Ozark Highlands Ecoregion **Kayla Sayre** University of Arkansas Department of Biological Sciences

4:15 pm

Phytoplankton Community Index to Monitor Ecological Status of Lakes **Reed Green**, US Geological Survey Arkansas Water Science Center

4:30 pm

Censored Data May Obscure Low-Range Nutrient Thresholds in Reservoirs **Erin Grantz**, University of Arkansas Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences

7:00 pm Social at Marley's Pizzeria

Located at 609 W. Dickson St.



Wednesday July 27

7:45 am

Check-in, Coffee, Juice, Pastries

Session 5: The Growing Threat of Harmful Algal Blooms

8:30 am

Welcome and Session Opener Alan Fortenberry, Beaver Water District

8:40 am

Controlling Cyanobacterial Blooms in a World Experiencing Anthropogenic Climatically Induced Change

Hans Paerl, University of North Carolina Institute of Marine Sciences

9:10 am

Are Harmful Algal Blooms a Threat to US Freshwater Lakes? Alan Wilson, *Auburn University School of*

Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Aquatic Sciences

9:40 am Networking Break



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Session 6: Monitoring HABs and Cyanotoxins

10:10 am

Modern Approaches to Monitoring Algal Toxins Jennifer Gidden, University of Arkansas Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

10:25 am

Monitoring Cyanobacteria Blooms Using Remote Sensing and Classification Trees **Katherine Hooker**, University of Oklahoma Department of Biology

10:40 am

Source Water Cyanotoxin Vulnerability in Two Contrasting Reservoirs **Steve Patterson**, *Bio X Design*

10:55 am

Cyanobacteria Response to Nutrient Concentrations in Big Base and Little Base Lakes, Arkansas **Billy Justus**, US Geological Survey Lower Mississippi-Gulf Water Science Center

11:10 am

Whole Food Web Effects of a Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) Species Jessica E. Beyer, University of Oklahoma Department of Biology

11:30 am Lunch Provided

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Session 7: Responding to Blooms: Lakes Managers' Perpectives

1:00 pm

Harmful Algae Blooms: A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regional and National Perspective

Tony Clyde, US Army Corps of Engineers Tulsa District

1:15 pm

Walking a Fine Line with HABs in Kansas: Seeking to Balance Public Safety, Logistics and Economics

Tom Stiles, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

1:30 pm

Harmful Algal Blooms: The Oklahoma Experience

Jay Wright, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

1:45 pm

Grand Lake: Its Watershed and the Great HAB of 2011

Darrell Townsend, Grand River Dam Authority

Thank you for attending!

Session 8: Regulating Cyanotoxins and the Risks to Public Health

2:00 pm

Are Harmful Algal Blooms Becoming the Greatest Inland Water Quality Threat to Public Health and Aquatic Ecosystems? **Bryan Brooks**, *Baylor University Department of Environmental Science*

2:15 pm

Cyanotoxins – On a Path to Regulation? Judy Westrick, *Wayne State University* Department of Chemistry

2:30 pm

Risk Communication for Cyanotoxins and Other Difficult to Explain Water Issues **Frank Blaha**, *Water Research Foundation*

2:45 pm

ADH and Harmful Algal Blooms: Assessing the Risks to Public Health and Drinking Water Supplies **Darcia Routh,** *Arkansas Department of Health*

3:00 pm

The Arkansas HABs Working Group – Where We Are and Where We're Going **Tate Wentz**, *Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality*

3:30 pm Conference Adjourns

Thank You Speakers!

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