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Call for Sessions, Workshops, and Associated Meetings

Deadline: Tuesday May 28, 2019 Midnight

We invite you to propose a scientific session, workshop or associated meeting for the 2019 State of Lake Huron (SOLH) Conference, to be held October 8-11, 2019, on the campus of Saginaw Valley State University in Saginaw, Michigan. The event will also feature workshops, fieldtrips, and two days of concurrent session tracks (composed of contributed abstracts).

The SOLH conference is hosted by the International Association for Great Lakes Research, the Great Lakes Beach Association, and the Council of the Great Lakes Region. SOLH 2019 is the third in an annual series of State of Lake conferences aimed at promoting linkages between the science and policy communities—particularly lake-specific research, management, education, and nonprofit organizations—to broaden the discussion and provide diverse interaction among stakeholders. For more information on the State of Lake conference series, visit iaglr.org/sol.

Sessions

Some suggested session topics are provided below. These are only examples. Actual sessions will be chosen based on responses to this Call for Sessions. All sessions and invited abstracts should focus on topics related to Lake Huron.

- Beach management, modeling, safety, remediation
- Citizen science
- Climate change indicators
- Coastal community infrastructure, resiliency
- Coastal wetlands dynamics, function
- Collaborative partnerships
- Cooperative Science and Monitoring Initiative
- Decisionmaking tools, governance
- Education and outreach
- Emerging issues
- Fisheries management
- Food web dynamics

- Habitat restoration, classification, biodiversity
- Invasive species monitoring, management
- The Lake Huron ecosystem
- Legacy and emerging contaminants
- Management and policy development
- Monitoring techniques and tools
- Nutrients, watersheds and TMDLs
- Operational forecasting, modeling, remote sensing
- Protection of high-quality habitats/ecosystems
- Remediation and restoration
- Socioeconomic tools and case studies
- Water quality and biogeochemistry

Workshops and Associated Meetings

Time will be reserved during the conference for workshops and associated meetings. Workshops could be technical in nature, focus on skill building, or be interactive discussions on specific topics. We also welcome associated meetings of Lake Huron organizations or Great Lakes regional planning teams (e.g., CSMI, Lakewide Management Planning).



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To Propose a Session, Workshop or Associated Meeting

Visit <u>iaglr.org/sol/solh19</u> and submit the Sessions and Workshops Proposal Form with a title, brief description, estimated number of contributors, and contact information for the session/workshop chair or co-chairs (*please limit co-chairs to no more than 4*).

Chair Notification

Chairs will be notified in early June regarding acceptance of their session/workshop. Chairs of confirmed sessions will receive further instructions at that time, and the Call for Abstracts will follow.

Session Chair Responsibilities

Once the sessions are established, session chairs are asked to solicit at least 6 to 8 abstracts to help form the session. Sessions are most successful when the chair or co-chairs recruit interested speakers well in advance of the abstract submission deadline in July.

All contributors must submit an abstract through the designated IAGLR website once the Call for Abstracts is available in mid June. Session chairs will monitor the abstracts being submitted to their session and work with the authors to edit or modify as needed. If fewer than 4 presentations are received for a given session, the conference program chair will consult with the session chair(s) either to combine the submitted abstracts with another session, or create a new session title with similar abstracts submitted to other sessions. When all abstracts are assigned to a session, the session chairs will determine the order of presentation within their session.

During the conference, it is the duty of the chairs to help ensure that the session runs smoothly and is successful for both the presenters and the audience. At the conference, session chairs are expected to:

- Introduce the session
- Introduce each presenter
- Manage the time to ensure each presentation is on time (20-minute time slots must be adhered to)
- Facilitate the question and answer period within the final 5 minutes of each time slot

Questions

If you have any questions about chairing a session or workshop, please contact the IAGLR SOLH Committee Co-Chair:

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