

Ohio Watershed Leaders (OWLS) Conference

Tuesday, September 7 – Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Scioto Audubon Metro Park

400 West Whittier Street

Columbus, OH 43215

September 7 – Evening Welcome

5:00 – 6:30	Kayak Scioto River with the American Kayaking Association
7:00 – 8:30	Dinner at BrewDog Franklinton

September 8 – Conference Agenda

8:00 – 9:00	Registration and light breakfast
9:00 – 9:45	Welcome Keynote Speaker – Hope Taft (former First Lady of Ohio, Little Miami River Watershed Network)
9:45 – 10:00	Break
10:00 – 10:15	Legislative Update – Kevin Futryk (Government Advantage Group)
10:15 – 11:00	Outside the Box, Low-Cost Methods of Watershed Restoration – Bob Hawley (Sustainable Streams)
11:00 – 11:45	Tools for Watershed Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Using Hydrology Models for Education and Engagement – Dr. Steve Lyon (OSU)- ESRI City Engine – Brian Wamsley (Hamilton County, Ohio)- OKI Mitigation Planning Model – Margaret Minzner (OKI)
11:45 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 1:45	State Agency Update Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bob Gable (ODNR)- John Matthews (OEPA)- Greg Nageotte (ODA)- Peter MacDonaugh (ODA)
1:45 – 2:30	Closing the Gap Between Community Science Data and the Government’s Information Needs – Barb Horn (Water Data Collaborative)
2:30 – 2:45	Break
2:45 – 4:00	Field trip/networking (choose one) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Citizen science networking discussion- Tour of the Scioto Audubon Center