

# Wisconsin Coastal Beaches Working Group Annual Meeting

## Agenda

### Meeting Information

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**Meeting Objectives:** Convene local, state, federal, university and non-profit partners involved in beach research, management, education and communication for a day of information sharing, collaboration and networking. Attendees will hear reports from Wisconsin's beach partners on issues from water quality to beach hazards. And local stakeholders will discuss current efforts and seek input on issues and needs.

**Date:** Monday, November 14, 2016

**Time:** 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

**Location:** Alumni Welcome and Conference Center, Room 228, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 625 Pearl Avenue, Oshkosh, WI 54901 (**Free Parking in Lot 6, see attached map**)

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9:00-9:15	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
9:15-10:00	<b>Wisconsin's Beaches: Impacts and Resiliency Overview</b>  Water Quality (Kimberly Busse, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh)  Dangerous Currents and Risk Communication (Todd Breiby, Wisconsin Coastal Management Program)  Harmful Algal Blooms (Mark Werner, Department of Health Services)  Beach Resiliency and Erosion/Sediment Transport (Gene Clark, UW Sea Grant Institute)
10:00-10:15	<b>Report: Great Lakes Beach Association 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference</b>  Kimberly Busse, GLBA President
10:15-10:30	<b>Department of Natural Resources Report: Wisconsin Beaches</b>  Donalea Dinsmore, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
10:30-10:45	<b>Break</b>

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10:45-12:00

**Current Beach Topics and Case Studies**

The Path to Mitigation (Greg Kleinheinz, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh)

Lessons Learned (AJ Koski, City of Racine Health Department)

Beach Dynamics (Pete Pittner, Miller Engineers and Scientists)

Nowcast and Training (Elisabeth Schlaudt, UW Sea Grant Institute)

How do you sell a restoration to your community? (Sara Hudson, City of Ashland Parks and Recreation Department)

12:00-1:00

**Lunch** (On your own)

1:00-2:30

**Local Partner Roundtable**

This session is designed to hear from local beach managers on water quality and hazard issues that impact their beaches, current beach improvements and other projects, information and data gaps, and needs for effectively managing those beaches.

- How many beaches do you monitor?
- What type of monitoring activities do you conduct (routine, sanitary surveys, models, qPCR, other)?
- Any current beach redesign and mitigation projects?
- Are you addressing beach hazards/dangerous currents and if so, how?
- Impacts or concerns about:
  - Coastal storms
  - Harmful algal blooms
  - Invasive species
- Do you conduct outreach and education with beach users?
- What needs do you have for your beaches?

2:30-3:00

**Resources**

Applicability of Modeling Techniques (Jason Stangland and Margaret Boshek, SmithGroupJJR)

Funding and Current Projects

3:00-3:30

**Closing Discussion**

3:30

**Adjourn**

3:30-4:30

Tour available of the UW Oshkosh Environmental Research and Innovation Center Laboratory for those interested!