



Call for Presentations – Deadline May 18, 2018

**39th Annual Indiana Water Resources Association
Symposium and Field Demonstration Day
June 27-29, 2018**

**Monroe Convention Center, Bloomington, Indiana
Flatwoods Park, Gosport, Indiana
*“Ensuring a Sustainable Water Future for Indiana”***

Symposium Overview

The 39th Annual IWRA Spring Symposium will be held June 27-28 at the Monroe Convention Center in Bloomington, Indiana. The theme of the symposium is ***“Ensuring a Sustainable Water Future for Indiana.”*** How will water quantity, use, infrastructure, and quality affect water availability into the future?

The final day of the annual meeting, Friday, June 29, will be a water-resources tools and techniques demonstration day held at Flatwoods Park, Gosport, Indiana. Flatwoods Park is just a short drive northwest of Bloomington, Indiana. More information will follow regarding a call for participants to demonstrate their favorite and effective field tools and techniques to their colleagues.

For the 2018 symposium, we are seeking oral and poster presentations on a wide range of topics related to water sustainability including: **Water Supply:** Aquifer storage, understanding or planning for extreme events (droughts, flooding), surface-water and groundwater resources, water-resources planning. **Water Quality:** Point and non-point source contamination and how that can unexpectedly result in water scarcity concerns. **Infrastructure:** Public water supply, treatment, distribution, mapping. **Habitat:** How do low flows, sedimentation, or contamination affect in-stream species. In addition to these “theme” topics, we would love to hear about water-resource issues and activities in *your* area of expertise.

IWRA is particularly effective in bringing together professionals and students from a variety of water resources and related disciplines and provides a relaxed forum for presentation and discussion. To that end, ***presentations on any topic concerning water resources research, assessment, planning, management, protection, development, or education are solicited.*** Student presentations are particularly encouraged and students receive financial support to present (see Student Scholarships). The cost of presenting will be covered by the IWRA Student Scholarship Fund. Presentations are not required to be original material, and ***we welcome presentations given previously to other organizations.***

Abstract Submission

Abstracts should be submitted via email to Sally Letsinger (sletsing@indiana.edu). Please use the subject line “2018 IWRA Abstract.” Abstracts should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe Portable Document formats, should not exceed one page, and should include:

- A description of the issue or problem, the methods or approach, results, and implications for water-resources research or management.
- The title, author(s), and affiliations. Please include contact information (email and telephone) for the presenting author. Please indicate if the presenting author is a student.

The deadline for submitting an abstract is May 18, 2018.

Symposium Registration Fees

All non-student presenters are expected to pay the symposium registration fee. If your employing organization cannot or will not pay the registration fee, please contact Sally and we'll try to work something out. Registration fees have not yet been determined but are expected to be approximately \$130 and include two meals. Information on registration fees, lodging, and other details will be provided in early May in the symposium announcement and at the IWRA web site <http://iwra.info>. Students are eligible for a reduced registration fee. Student presenters will have their registration fees paid by IWRA.

Student Scholarships:

IWRA especially values student presentations and sponsors a Student Scholarship Fund designed to cover student expenses for attending and presenting at the Spring Symposium. All student-submitted abstracts will be considered for a scholarship. Please contact Jeff Martin, jdmartin@usgs.gov, 317-600-2748 if you have questions concerning student scholarships.

Schedule for Abstract Submission, Acceptance, and Presentations

- May 18, 2018 Deadline for abstract submissions
- May 25, 2018 Notification of abstract acceptance
- June 27-29, 2018 39th IWRA Symposium and Field Demonstration Day

The Indiana Water Resources Association

The Indiana Water Resources Association (IWRA) was founded in 1979 as a state section of the American Water Resources Association (AWRA, <http://www.awra.org/>) to promote water resources research, education, and communication in Indiana. The IWRA is an organization of several hundred professionals and students working in all aspects of water resources. Its members include scientists, engineers, technicians, environmental health specialists, regulators, educators, lawyers, policy makers, and students from government, universities, industry, consulting firms, and other water-related groups. One of the main goals of IWRA is to facilitate communication and the exchange of information within the water-resources community of Indiana. **Please view our conferences as an opportunity to present your work, in a relatively informal atmosphere, to Indiana's water-resource professionals.** Because many of our members do not regularly attend national meetings, we encourage you to present papers that you may have given previously at national or regional professional meetings.

Registration is open! Sponsorships available!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/39th-annual-indiana-water-resources-association-symposium-and-field-demonstration-day-tickets-42910448306>

Lodging information:

A block of rooms (\$104/night) is available at the Courtyard by Marriott in Bloomington, Indiana, conveniently located adjacent to the Monroe Convention Center. Book your room with the IWRA group rate (or <https://tinyurl.com/y7gajpll>). If you call to make the reservation, just mention that you are attending the Indiana Water Resources Association symposium. The group code is IWRIWRA, if you book online without using the provided link above. **BOOK BY May 28, 2018!**

Further Information:

For further information about the 2018 IWRA Symposium, please contact IWRA President Sally Letsinger, sletsing@indiana.edu, 812-855-1356. Additional information concerning IWRA is located at the Indiana Water Resources Association website: <http://iwra.info>