

# Friday, March 25, 2022

Pre-registration is **required**. Registration fee includes Italian lunch buffet with vegetarian option. Registering early is highly recommended. Registrations will be accepted until Monday, March 21, 2022. Fees are non-refundable. If you are unable to attend, you may send a substitute.

- Register online: **wmao.org**
- Or fill out form below and mail with credit card information or a check (payable to the Water Management Association of Ohio) to:

**Water Management Association of Ohio**  
**8485 E. Washington St., #206**  
**Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023**

**Registration Fee** (including lunch): \$45 x # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Students:** \$15 x # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Virtual Registration:** \$25 x # \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Students:** free x # \_\_\_\_\_

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*We will use your email address to send confirmation of your registration.*

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For more information, visit the **Water Management Association of Ohio's** website at **wmao.org** or call 330-466-5631.

Ohio Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Natural Areas and Preserves  
2045 Morse Road, Bldg. H-3  
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PRESENTED BY:

- Water Management Association of Ohio (WMAO)
- Ohio Watershed Professionals Association (OWPA)
- Ohio Scenic Rivers Association (OSRA)
- ODNR Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Scenic Rivers Program

AGENDA

- 8:00 AM

REGISTRATION BEGINS - Morning Refreshments
- 9:15 AM

WELCOME

Mary Mertz, Director Ohio Department Of Natural Resources
- 9:30 AM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Linking Social and Natural Sciences To Create Strategies To Promote Scenic Rivers

Dr. Richard Moore, Ph.D., Senior Fellow, Global Council For Science and the Environment, Professor Emeritus, The Ohio State University, School Of Environment And Natural Resources
- 10:30 AM

BREAK
- 11:00 AM

City Of Mount Vernon, Kokosing Stream Bank Stabilization and Channel Management

Brian W. Ball, P.E., C.F.M, City Engineer, Mount Vernon
- 11:30 AM

Ohio’s Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee and a Brief AIS Update

Eugene Braig, Program Director, Aquatic Ecosystems, Ohio State University Extension, School Of Environment And Natural Resources, Chairman, Ohio Aquatic Invasive Species Committee
- 12:00 PM

LUNCH
- 1:00 PM

Ohio Scenic Rivers Association (OSRA), Introduction To Ohio’s New River Conservation Organization

Tom Butch, President of OSRA  
Hope Taft, Vice President of OSRA
- 1:15 PM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Terrestrial and Aquatic Linkages In Ohio’s River Corridors and Implications For Conservation

S. Mažeika Patricio Sullivan, Ph.D. Professor, Chief Diversity Officer and Associate Director, The Ohio State University, School Of Environment And Natural Resources
- 2:00 PM

Impacts Of Bush Honeysuckle On Headwater Streams

Ryan Mcewan. Ph.D. Professor and Schuellein Endowed Chair, Department Of Biology, University Of Dayton
- 2:30 PM

BREAK
- 2:45 PM

Ecological Services Of Headwater Streams

Kelly Capuzzi, Environmental Specialist 2, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- 3:15 PM

Rivers Of Grass: Prairies Of Ohio’s Rivers and Streams

Rick Gardner, Chief Botanist, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves
- 3:50 PM

WRAP UP

ABOUT THE OHIO RIVERS SYMPOSIUM

The **Ohio Rivers Symposium** is presented by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Natural Areas and Preserves Scenic Rivers Program in cooperation with the Water Management Association of Ohio (WMAO), Ohio Watershed Professionals Association (OWPA) and the Ohio Scenic Rivers Association (OSRA).



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**Dr. Richard Moore** is an anthropologist who will present innovative strategies that combine social and natural science, including the Sugar Creek Method, to promote stream ecology. He is currently a Senior Fellow with the Global Council for Science and the Environment and professor emeritus of the OSU School of Environment and Natural Resources. He was the Executive Director of the Environmental Sciences Network at OSU before retirement in 2015. He received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Texas at Austin studying upstream-downstream farmer communities in the rice belt of Japan.



**Dr. Mažeika Patricio Sullivan** is a Professor, Associate Director, and Chief Diversity Officer in the School of Environment and Natural Resources at OSU and the Director of the Ramsar-designated Shiermeier Olentangy River Wetland Research Park. Dr. Sullivan’s research focuses on watersheds and aquatic ecosystems, water quality and quantity, and land-water linkages. His work integrates ecology, fluvial geomorphology, and biogeochemistry, from headwaters to coasts. Dr. Sullivan will be joining us to discuss aquatic terrestrial linkages as a conservation paradigm for wild and scenic rivers.



INFORMATION

Contact Bob Gable by phone at (614)265-6814, email at [robert.gable@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:robert.gable@dnr.state.oh.us), or visit [natural.areas.ohiodnr.gov](http://natural.areas.ohiodnr.gov).

SNAPSHOT OF SYMPOSIUM TALKS

When the levee breaks, call **Brian Ball**. As the Mount Vernon City Engineer, Brian was faced with the threat of the Kokosing State Scenic River eroding into previously mined gravel pits at the City’s Aerial Foundation Park. Brian will describe how he worked with Scenic Rives Program staff and other agencies to address the problem.

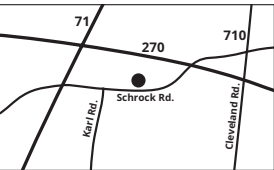
Our waterways are under invasion! **Eugene Braig** will provide us with an overview of the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee, some of their efforts to combat AIS and the invaders on the move in our waterways.

Our streams are getting bushwacked! **Dr. McEwan** will discuss his research into the negative impacts of highly invasive bush honeysuckle on water quality and the overall river ecology.

Ohio’s primary headwater streams are often underappreciated. **Kelly Capuzzi** will take us on a trip down one of these little waterways to show us the critical services they provide for wildlife and our larger rivers.

**Rick Gardner** promises to take us deep into the weeds as he gives us a tour of our river scour prairies and remnant prairies along some of Ohio’s rivers and streams.

LOCATION



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