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The Restoration of Our Rivers

A National and a Regional Perspective on Urban Stormwater

Thursday, October 4 and Friday, October 5, 2012
at Crystal Bridges Museum
600 Museum Way | Bentonville, Arkansas 72712

The Restoration of Our Rivers is pleased to announce that the conference will be held at the newly constructed and internationally acclaimed Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art. Crystal Bridges is a renowned 120-acre campus of art, environmental science and exploration located in Bentonville, Arkansas.

For further information on the Crystal Bridges Museum of Art, please visit their website:
www.CrystalBridges.com



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“The Restoration of Our Rivers” is a national and regional conference suitable for a variety of public officials and professional groups.

The conference features a national perspective on water quality management best management practices (BMP), urban riverfront redevelopment, large greenway corridor planning and low impact development (LID). The regional perspective is focused on NW Arkansas projects, methods and techniques that local officials and professionals can readily share with governmental officials and for private development projects.

Cost/Registration

\$199 - Early Registration - Aug. 1, 2012

\$45 - Golden Paddle Awards Banquet

\$249 - Late Registration - Oct. 1, 2012

\$55 - Late Golden Paddle Awards Banquet

Due to space limitations, there will be no at Conference or same day registration.

Register online at www.irwp.org

Continuing education credit available.

For further information regarding the conference, please contact

The Illinois River Watershed Partnership
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Hotels:

Residence Inn – Rogers/Bentonville
4611 West Locust Street
Rogers, AR 72756
479-636-5900

Candlewood Suites – Rogers/Bentonville
4601 West Rozell
Rogers, AR 72756
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Payment must be made at the time of registration to secure conference reservation.

Conference Overview

Across the United States, our rivers and stormwater systems are being impacted by a variety of natural (environmental) and manmade issues that federal, state and local governments are trying to manage, despite declining public revenues and resources, so that future generations can use and enjoy our water resources. The restoration of natural and manmade water systems

and greenways is an imperative in which governmental officials of all levels, property owners, agribusinesses, and others have a practical and financial interest.

The Restoration of Our Rivers Conference will provide a national perspective on regulatory, planning and economic measures to improve

water quality in a variety of urban and rural settings. On a regional scale, the conference will address water quality and stormwater management issues that are specific to northwest Arkansas. Government officials, environmental professionals and property owners affected by water quality regulations—and the interested public—are all encouraged to attend.

Thursday, October 4, 2012

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 am	Welcome
9:10 am	Opening Comments – Watershed Planning and the Importance of our River Systems Dr. Delia Haak, Illinois River Watershed Partnership
9:30 am	The State of Our Water Quality and Urban Stormwater Regulations – A View Back and a View Forward Jonathan Jones, P.E., Wright Water Engineers
10:30 am	Urban Riverfront Restoration – Community and Economic Benefits of Restoring Our Rivers Donald H. Brandes, Jr., RLA, President, Design Studios West
11:00 am	Greenway Planning and Design – The Razorback Greenway & Trail Corridor Chuck Flink, RLA, Alta Greenways
12:00 pm	Luncheon The Crystal Bridges Vision – Nature and Art Scott Eccleston, Director, Crystal Bridges Grounds and Trails
1:30 pm	Northwest Arkansas Water Quality Issues – Past and Emerging Environmental and Engineering Issues Sandi Formica, Watershed Conservation Resource Center and Marty Matlock, Ph.D., Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University of Arkansas
2:20 pm	The City of Rogers, Arkansas – A Case Study of How Phosphorous removal can impact a local community. Tom Hopper, Chairman, Crafton Tull and Jonathan Jones, P.E.; Wright Water Engineers
3:00 pm	Case Studies and Implementation Methods and Techniques: River Restoration National Restorations: Donald H. Brandes, Jr., Little Sugar Creek, Charlotte, North Carolina and Arkansas River, Pueblo, Colorado
3:45 pm	Regional Restorations: West Fork of the White River, Healing Springs, Blossom Way Creek
4:30 pm	Crystal Bridges Landscaping and Trails Tours Crystal Bridges Guided Tour groups
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Illinois River Watershed Partnership 2012 Golden Paddle Awards Banquet Crystal Bridges Great Hall

Friday, October 5, 2012

Urban Stormwater How-to's for the Restoration of our Rivers

9:00 am	Welcome and “Let’s Get to Work” Dr. Delia Haak, Executive Director, Illinois River Watershed Partnership
9:15 am	Rain Gardens for Urban Stormwater Management Becky Roark, Rain Garden Resource Specialist, IRWP and Dr. Bob Morgan, Environmental BWD
10:15 am	Streambank Restoration for Urban Stormwater Sandi Formica and Matt Van Eps, WCRC
11:15 am	Engaging Stakeholders and Recruiting Volunteers, Partners and Sponsors Roland Pinault, Walmart Corporation
12:00 Noon	Luncheon Buffet
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Bus Tour of Regional Rain Garden and Streambank Restoration Projects

