

9TH ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL MEETING



Water management in Michigan and Indiana is changing. Where in the past there was a common focus on drainage, there are now multiple concerns spanning a wide spectrum that includes MS4 water quality standards, streambank erosion concerns, flooding, and much more. Drainage officials that at one time primarily worked to insure drainage of agricultural land are now being asked to consider their regulated drains as part of a larger drainage network, and that stream network has multiple users wanting the stream to provide a wide range of functions. The variety of potential issues that can develop from stream and river management in this new environment has created a need for more integrated management that considers both water quality and water quantity, and the changing landscape.

MEETING AGENDA

- 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration/Social Time (Cash Bar Available)
- 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Welcome/Opening Remarks
- 6:30 - 6:45 p.m. Award Presentation
- 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Dinner (Auction Bidding Continues)
- 8:00 - 8:45 p.m. Presentation by Bob Barr
- 8:45 - 9:00 p.m. Questions & Final Comments (Auction Check-out)

A Silent Auction will take place from 5:00-7:45 p.m. Items will include rain barrels, bird houses, canoe and kayak trips on the Pigeon River and much more!

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Bob Barr is a research scientist at the Center for Earth and Environmental Science at Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis. He specializes in fluvial geomorphology and hydrology and his work focuses broadly on what is required to achieve and maintain healthy stream systems in a continually changing landscape.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Soil & Water Conservation Districts
- Drain Commissioners, Drainage Boards & County Surveyors
- Urban Stormwater Managers
- Local Government Staff & Officials
- Watershed & Lake Associations
- Natural Resource Managers
- Water Lovers of Any Kind!

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EVENT DETAILS & REGISTRATION

- Date: March 18, 2016
- Time: 5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
- Location: Sturges-Young Auditorium
201 N. Nottawa St.
Sturgis, MI 49091
- Cost: \$25.00/person (Includes program materials & dinner. Cash bar available).
- Register By: March 11, 2016
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