

North Carolina Beach Inlet & Waterway Association (NCBIWA) Annual Conference

November 13 & 14, 2017
Blockade Runner, Wrightsville Beach N.C.

DAY 1 - Monday, November 13

7:30 **Continental Breakfast**
Sponsor: Pender County, Topsail Beach, Town of Surf City

8:30 **Opening Remarks**-Dr. Jim Leutze, Chair & Kathleen Riely, Executive Director, NCBIWA

SESSION 1: Regulatory & Policy Updates

8:45 **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Update**-Jacqueline Keiser, PG, PMP, Director, Regional Sediment Management RCX, Jacksonville District

9:15 **N.C. Division of Coastal Management, CRC Beach and Inlet Policy Update**-Ken Richardson, Shoreline Management Specialist, N.C. Division of Coastal Management

9:45 **New Hanover County Coastal Infrastructure Update**-Layton Bedsole, Shore Protection Coordinator, New Hanover County

10:15 **Endangered Species Compliance and the Role of a Biological Assessment as Part of Dredging and Beach Enhancement/Replenishment**-Christina DeFrancesco, P.E., Project Engineer, O'Brien & Gere

10:45 **Networking Break**-Exhibit Area / Nighthawk Room.
Sponsor: Coastal Science & Engineering

SESSION 2: Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf Energy Exploration & Development Panel Discussion

Moderator-Mary Landrieu, Former U.S. Senator, Louisiana and Senior Policy Advisor, Van Ness Feldman

11:00 **Panel**-Dustin Van Liew, Director of Regulatory & Governmental Affairs, International Association of Geophysical Contractors, James Knapp, Ph.D. Professor, School of Earth, Ocean and Environment, University of South Carolina, Renee Orr, Chief of the Office of Strategic Resources, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Peg Howell, Stop Offshore Drilling in the Atlantic (SODA), Doug Wakeman, Professor of Economics, Meredith College

12:00 **Working Buffet Lunch with KEYNOTE SPEAKER**-Mary Landrieu, Former U.S. Senator, Louisiana and Policy Advisor, Van Ness Feldman
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SESSION 3: Inlet, Beaches, & Sand

1:00 **N. C. Beach Access Study**-Jim Herstine, Ph.D. Professor and Program Coordinator Recreation, Sport Leadership and Tourism Management Program, UNC Wilmington, Chris Dumas, Ph.D., Professor of Economics, Dept. of Environmental Studies, UNC Wilmington

1:25 **ADCIRC**-Jason Fleming, Ph.D., Chief Engineer, Seahorse Coastal Consulting

1:50 **State Funding for Coastal Storm Damage Reduction Projects, a South Carolina Perspective**-Nicole Elko Ph.D., Executive Director, South Carolina Beach Advocates

2:15 **National Sand Inventory**-Renee Orr, Chief of the Office of Strategic Resources, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

2:40 **Networking Break** – Exhibit Area / Nighthawk Room.
Sponsor: Village of Bald Head Island

SESSION 4: Legislative Update

Panel Moderator-Johnny Martin

3:00 **Budget/Policy Updates**-Darren England, Water Projects Manager, N.C. Division of Water Resources

3:30 **Dredging Studies for the State of North Carolina Updated**-Johnny Martin, PE, Coastal/Hydraulic Engineer, Moffatt & Nichol

4:00 **PANEL SESSION; State Funding Options for Coastal Preservation/Renourishment and other Coastal Issues**-N.C. Senators Harry Brown (Onslow), Norm Sanderson (Carteret, Craven, Pamlico) and Michael Lee (New Hanover) and N.C. Representative Frank Iler (Brunswick)

5:00 **NCBIWA Annual Membership Meeting**

5:15 **NCBIWA Board of Directors Meeting**

5:30 **Reception – Exhibit Area / Nighthawk Room** – Heavy Hors d’oeuvres and Cash Bar
Sponsors: Town of Nags Head, Town of Duck, Dare County, Great Lakes Dredge and Dock, McKim & Creed

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7:00 **Hot Buffet Breakfast – Hotel Restaurant**

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SESSION 5: Federal Topics

8:15 **Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Assoc. (AIWA) Update**-Brad Pickel, Executive Director, AIWA, **American Shore and Beach Preservation (ASBPA) Update**, Dawn York, Coastal Scientist, Dial Cordy and Associates, Inc.

8:45 **Coastal Infrastructure Spending, WRDA 2018 and the Future of Federal Shore Protection Projects-A View from the Hill**-Geoff Bowman, V.P. Van Scoyoc Associates, Washington D.C.

9:15 **North Carolina and the National Flood Insurance Program; Sink or Swim**-Willo Kelly, Governmental Affairs Consultant, Outer Banks Homebuilders and the Outer Banks Association of Realtors

9:45 **National Marine Fisheries Service Update**-Kenneth Riley, Ph.D. Habitat Conservation Division National Marine Fisheries Service Southeast Region

10:15 **Networking Break – Exhibit Area / Nighthawk Room**

Sponsor: *Town of Holden Beach*

SESSION 6: Project Updates

10:30 **Dare County Beach Nourishment Projects**-Julien Devisse, P.E., Program Manager, APTIM

11:00 **Town of Holden Beach 2017 Central Reach Nourishment Project**-Fran Way, P.E., Senior Coastal Engineer, ATM

11:30 **Dredge Island Project**-Devon Eulie, PhD, Coastal Processes and Policy, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of North Carolina at Wilmington

12:00 **Working Buffet Lunch with KEYNOTE SPEAKER**-Sheila Holman, North Carolina Assistant Secretary for the Environment

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SESSION 7: Field Trip Wrightsville Beach and Beyond

Wrightsville Beach Field Trip-1:30-4:00 p.m.

Virtual Tour of Wrightsville Beach

Masonboro Inlet Weir Jetty (1965 & 1980) and Sand Management

Long-term beachfill and storm protection since 1965 including the 5 design-level hurricanes in the 1990s

Moore's Inlet (closed in 1965) beside Holiday Inn Sunspree

Mason Inlet relocation project (2002)-TBD