

# North Carolina Beach, Inlet & Waterway Association's 2024 Spring Meeting

Thursday and Friday May 9-10, 2024

Sessions Qualify for 10.42 PDHs for P.E.s, Surveyors and Geologists and 9 CECs for CFMs

## DAY 1 – Thursday, May 9, 2024

### Breakfast

7:15 **Sponsor:** *Currituck and Dare Counties and the Towns of Duck and Southern Shores*

Meeting Coffee and Water

**Sponsor:** *Brunswick County*

8:15 **Opening Remarks**-Jason Holland, Mayor, Emerald Isle, Bobby Outten, Chairman, NCBIWA and Kathleen Riely, Executive Director

### SESSION 1: State and Federal Policy Updates

Introduction: Steve Baker

8:30 **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Update**- Robert (Bob) W. Keistler, PE, Programs and Project Management and Tommy Fennel, Regulatory Chief, Wilmington District, US Army Corps of Engineers

9:00 **U.S. Coast Guard Update**- Deputy Sector Commander Corrie Sergent, Sector North Carolina

9:20 **North Carolina Division of Coastal Management (DCM) Program Updates**- Tancred Miller, Director, N.C. Division of Coastal Management

9:45 **North Carolina Division of Coastal Management (DCM) CAMA Land Use Planning Discussion**- Rachel Love-Adrick, N.C. Division of Coastal Management, Sandy Cross, Town of Duck

### Morning Break

10:15 **Sponsor:** *Town of Holden Beach*

### SESSION 2: Coastal Challenges

Introduction: Mayor Steve Smith

10:35 **Threatened Oceanfront Structures**-Alyson Flynn, Coastal Advocate and Environmental Economist, North Carolina Coastal Federation

10:55 **Marine Debris/Abandoned Vessels Panel Discussion**-Ted Wilgis, Coastal Scientist, Marine Debris Program Manager, North Carolina Coastal Federation, Tancred Miller, Director, N.C. Division of Coastal Management, Mark L. Dutton, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission Law Enforcement Division

11:30 **Coastal Homeowners Insurance**- Dr. Michelle Flynn Osborne, MBA, CIC, Campbell University, Lundy-Fetterman School of Business, Joe Stewart, NC Independent Agents and Brokers Association

12:00 **LUNCH WITH KEYNOTE SPEAKER Elizabeth S. Biser, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality**

**Sponsors:** *Carteret County and the Towns of Emerald Isle, Indian Beach, Pine Knoll Shores, Atlantic Beach and Beaufort*

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## SESSION 3: Future Opportunities

Introduction: Ken Willson

1:30 **UNCW Coastal Engineering Program**-Dr. Greg Williams, P.E., and Senior Capstone Projects Presentation by TBD

2:00 **Panel Discussion on N.C. Division of Water Resources Funding for Coastal Projects**- Kevin Hart, N.C. Division of Water Resources, Kyle Breuer, Surf City, Bobby Outten, Dare County, Layton Bedsole, New Hanover County

3:00 **An Integrated Approach - Grant Strategies for Building Resiliency**- Amy Miller, Finance Director, Town of Nags Head and Hunter Freeman, P.E., Practice Lead, Green Stormwater Infrastructure, McAdams

3:20 **Afternoon Break**  
*Sponsor: Village of Bald Head Island*

## SESSION 4: Flood Resiliency Efforts in NC

Introduction: Dawn York

3:40 **Panel Discussion North Carolina Flood Resiliency Blueprint**-N.C. Senator Norm Sanderson, Shrikar Nunna, NCDEQ Director of Legislative Affairs, John Dorman, Director of Emergency & Risk Management, AECOM, Robert Hiatt, Executive Director, Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments, Tony McEwen, Carolinas Director, American Flood Coalition, Ken Ashe, N. C. Association of Floodplain Managers

5:00 **Happy Hour!** *Sponsored by Great Lakes Dredge and Dock*

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### SESSION 5: Coastal Partners Introduction: Carin Faulkner

8:30 **Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association (AIWA) Update**-Brad Pickel, Executive Director, AIWA

8:55 **American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA) 2024 Coastal Summit Debrief**-Ken Willson and Kathleen Riely, ASBPA Board of Directors

9:20 **State of the N.C. Tourism Industry**- Heidi Walters, Sr. Director, Partner Marketing, Visit North Carolina

9:45 **Living Shorelines Academy**- Sarah Spiegler, N.C. Sea Grant Coastal Resilience Specialist & Scott Leahy, Carteret Community College Maritime Programs Coordinator

10:10 **Networking Break**  
*Sponsor: Coastal Science & Engineering*

### SESSION 6: Legislative Update Introduction: Mayor Steve Smith

10:30 **N.C General Assembly Update (Invited)**-N.C. Senator Norm Sanderson (Carteret), Michael A. Lazzara (Onslow) Representatives Frank Iler (Brunswick), Celeste Cairns (Carteret, Craven), and Carson Smith (Columbus, Pender)

11:00 **U.S. Congressman David Rouzer**

12:00 **Closing Remarks:** Bobby Outten, Chairman, NCBIWA