

# North Carolina Beach, Inlet & Waterway Association's 2025 Spring Meeting

Thursday and Friday May 8-9, 2025

Sessions Qualify for 9.92 PDHs for P.E.s, Surveyors and Geologists and 9.5 CECs for CFMs

## DAY 1 – Thursday, May 8, 2025

### 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, Justin Whiteside, Vice-Chairman, NCBIWA and Kathleen Riely, Executive Director

### SESSION 1: State and Federal Policy Updates

**Introduction:** Dr. Steven A. Baker COL (RET), NCBIWA Board Member

8:30 **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Update**- Robert (Bob) W. Keistler, PE, Wilmington District, USACE

9:00 **U.S. Coast Guard Update**-Lieutenant Commander Carl Hendrickson P.E., PMP

9:25 **North Carolina Division of Coastal Management (DCM) Program Updates**- Tancred Miller, Director, N.C. Division of Coastal Management

9:50 **North Carolina Division of Water Resources Budget/Policy Updates**-Kevin Hart, N.C. Division of Water Resources

### Morning Break

10:20 **Sponsor:** *Town of Holden Beach*

### SESSION 2: Coastal Challenges

**Introduction:** Ken Willson, Coastal Protection Engineering

10:40 **Beach and Inlet Management Plan (BIMP) Discussion**- Beth Sciaudone, PhD, PE, Senior Coastal Engineer, Moffatt & Nichol, Christopher F. Dumas, Ph.D. Assistant Department Chair and Professor of Economics, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of North Carolina Wilmington, and Kevin Hart, N.C. Division of Water Resources

11:20 **Oyster Reefs for Coastal and Shoreline Defense: Meeting the Challenge of Rising Seas**-Niels Lindquist and Marae West, Sandbar Oyster Co.

11:45 **Dredged Material Placement Challenges: A Local's Perspective**-Chris Gibson, PE, President, TI Coastal Services, Inc.

### NETWORKING LUNCH

12:10 **Sponsors:** *Carteret County and the Towns of Emerald Isle, Indian Beach, Pine Knoll Shores, Atlantic Beach and Beaufort*

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## SESSION 3: Coastal Management

Introduction: Ken Willson, Coastal Protection Engineering

1:30 **Threatened Oceanfront Structures**-David E. Hallac, Superintendent, National Parks of Eastern N.C., Cape Hatteras National Seashore

2:00 **Continuing the Discussions on Regional Sediment Management in North Carolina**- Douglas Piatkowski, Physical Scientist, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Dr. Joseph Long and Dr. Greg Williams, UNCW College of Science and Engineering

2:50 **UNCW Coastal Engineering Program** -Dr. Greg Williams, P.E., UNCW College of Science and Engineering, and Senior Winning Capstone Team "Littoral Legends": Isabella Aftanis, Grace Lueders, Aidan Duffy, Carter Stainback, and Paul Hurley

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

## SESSION 4: Dune Infiltration Panel

Introduction: Beth Sciaudone PhD., PE, Moffatt & Nichol

3:40 **Building Resilient Coasts: Implementing Dune Infiltration Systems**-Kyle Breuer, AICP, Town Manager, Town of Surf City, Marc Horstman, PE, South Watershed Services Group Leader, Ardurra, Doug Huggett, Senior Environmental Permit Specialist, M&N, David Ryan, PE, Town Engineer, Town of Nags Head, Kevin Zdeb, PE, Senior Civil Engineer, M&N, Brice Taylor, Stormwater Administrator, Town of Oak Island

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

## DAY 2 - Friday, May 9, 2025

7:30 **Meeting Coffee and Water**  
*Sponsor: Brunswick County*

## SESSION 5: Coastal Partners

Introduction: Justin Whiteside, Ocean Isle Beach

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

8:50 **ASBPA-Hohonu Partnership to Inform Community Flooding Threats**-Brian Glazer, Co-founder and CEO of Hohonu, Inc.

9:10 **State of the N.C. Tourism Industry**- Heidi Walters, Sr. Director, Partner Marketing, Visit North Carolina and Salem Clark, Chairwoman, NC Coast Host

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9:35	<b>N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries Update on New Harvest Reporting Requirements-</b> Jessie Bissette, Marine Fisheries Commission and Brandi Salmon, License and Statistics Section Chief
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10:00	<b>The Point on Topsail Beach</b> -Harrison Marks, N.C. Land Trust
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10:25	<b>Networking Break</b> <i>Sponsor: Coastal Science &amp; Engineering</i>
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## SESSION 6: Legislative Update Introduction: Marty Cooke, Commissioner, Brunswick County

10:45	<b>Emerging Contaminants in Drinking Water</b> -Steve Stone, Brunswick County Manager, Niel Brooks, Brunswick County Deputy Manager, Art Barnhardt, Environmental Compliance Officer, Brunswick County Public Utilities, Nicolette Fulton, Attorney, and Craig Wilson, Assistant Operations Director, Cape Fear Public Utility Authority (CFPUA)
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11:40	<b>N.C General Assembly Update (Invited)</b> -N.C. Senators Norm Sanderson (Carteret), Michael A. Lazzara (Onslow), Bobby Hanig (Bertie, Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell), Michael Lee (New Hanover), Brent Jackson (Bladen, Duplin, Jones, Pender, Sampson) and Representatives Frank Iler (Brunswick), Celeste Cairns (Carteret, Craven), Charlie Miller (Brunswick, New Hanover), Ted Davis (New Hanover), Deb Butler (New Hanover), Wyatt Gable (Onslow), Keith Kidwell (Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Pamlico), Edward Goodwin (Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Washington), Phil Shepard (Onslow), and Carson Smith (Onslow, Pender)
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12:15	<b>NETWORKING LUNCH</b> <i>Sponsor: Manson Construction</i>
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1:00	<b>Closing Remarks:</b> Bobby Outten, Chairman, NCBIWA
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