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Water for a Week

The Wisconsin Lakes & Rivers Convention has been an exciting, engaging event for hundreds of attendees every year since 1979. This year, the Convention is part of a larger event - Wisconsin Water Week! Featuring keynote speakers such as Wisconsin DNR Secretary Preston Cole, Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes, Atmospheric Scientist Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, and UW System President (and former Wisconsin Governor) Tommy Thompson, as well as over 200 other presenters, this year's event will be better than ever. With fewer operational costs, the event is only \$20 per day to register!

Monday's program will focus on water cycles, groundwater quality, flooding, weather, and the impacts of climate change on Wisconsin lakes, streams, and wetlands.

Tuesday is all about water bodies - the fishes within them, the birds along the shore, aquatic invasive species threatening them, and even the skies above them. Join in the fast-paced Lightning Round, where presenters are given 5 minutes and 5 slides to share the most important information about their work.

Wednesday is a day of water action - lakeshore restoration training, water stakeholder engagement tips, stream restoration, women and water, Native American perspectives on water, and more.

Thursday is a day of local "channels". Join hosts around the state that reign in on the issues affecting their local waters the most. Choose to join the discussion in Central Wisconsin, the Driftless Area, the Lake Michigan shore, SE Fox River area, or any of the 10 local conferences happening simultaneously!

Friday concludes Water Week with a series of local events including region-specific symposia, an in-person snowshoe hike, a film screening, and many others.

Learn all about Wisconsin Water Week [HERE](#) and register today!

Announcements

DNR CLMN Pages Get a Fresh Look

You may notice a new look on the CLMN pages within the DNR website. The web address has changed slightly as well, to <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/lakes/clmn> . You can also find it by simply going to the DNR home page at dnr.wi.gov and typing *Citizen Lake Monitoring* into the search box.

CLMN Webinar Series in Full Swing - Recordings Available

The 2021 Winter Webinar Series is underway, with two more free webinars remaining. On Wednesday, February 24th at 3:00PM central time, CLMN Educator Paul Skawinski will present on *Unique Plants in and Around Wisconsin Lakes*. The final webinar of the series is UW-Madison graduate student Sarah Dance presenting on *Wild Rice in Wisconsin* on March 31st, also at 3pm central time.

Register for these webinars using the links below:

[Unique Plants in and Around Wisconsin Lakes:](#)

[Wild Rice in Wisconsin:](#)

Need Help Maintaining Your Dissolved Oxygen Meter?

YSI produced a collection of maintenance videos for several of their popular dissolved oxygen meters - the YSI Pro20, YSI 550A, and YSI ProDSS. If you use one of these meters, check out the videos on the Water Chemistry page of our website: [CLMN - Water Chemistry](#)

Recycle Leftover Merchandise Return Labels (water sample shipping labels)

The U.S. Postal Service labels that volunteers use to mail water samples to the state lab have been updated. Any old labels that you may still have should be discarded. Please DO NOT use leftover labels on this year's samples - USPS may not deliver your package to the state lab. Your Regional CLMN Coordinator will be providing you with new labels.

2020 Annual Data Reports Available Online

Remember that your annual lake monitoring summary reports are available anytime at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/lakes/clmn>. Just click on *Graphs & Data by County*, then find your county/lake and click "*Details*" next to your lake name. then on the year under "Annual Reports". Other types of reports and graphics are available as well, and you can view reports from any year that your lake has participated in CLMN!

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