TENTATIVE AGENDA
WISCONSIN & MINNESOTA AQUACULTURE CONFERENCE
LEGENDARY WATERS CASINO, RED CLIFF, WISCONSIN
MARCH 22-23RD, 2024

THURSDAY, MARCH 21________________________________________________________

9AM-5PM VENDOR CHECK IN/SETUP

FRIDAY, MARCH 22________________________________________________________

6:30-8:00 AM: VENDOR CHECK IN/SETUP/SIGN IN

7:30 AM: COFFEE, PASTRIES

8:00-8:30 AM: WELCOME: MODERATOR BEN GOLLON

8:00-8:10 AM: WISCONSIN AQUACULTURE

  ➢ BEN GOLLON, WAA PRESIDENT
  ➢ RANDY ROMANSKI, WI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE & CONSUMER PROTECTION

8:10-8:20 AM: MINNESOTA AQUACULTURE

  ➢ CLARENCE BISCHOFF, MNAA PRESIDENT
  ➢ JIM OSTLIE, MN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
  ➢ ED ANESHANSLEY, AQUATIC DESIGN SERVICES
  ➢ LUKE JODOIN, STEAMBOAT ROAD CONSULTING

8:20-8:30 AM: THE NATIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION, CHARLIE CULPEPPER
8:30-9:15AM: WHIRLING DISEASE: MODERATOR BEN GOLLON

9:15-10:00AM: REGULATIONS & CHALLENGES: MODERATOR DON SCHREINER

9:15-9:45AM: WPDES PERMITTING PROCESS: NATE WILLIS

9:45-10:00AM: FISH SEX RATIOS IN POND CULTURE AND ITS IMPACTS: STEPHANIE SHAW, WI DNR

10:00-10:40AM: AQUACULTURE ECONOMICS AND FINANCE: MODERATOR AMY SHAMBACH

10:00-10:10AM: LOCAL TO NATIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: AMY SHAMBACH, ILLINOIS | INDIANA SEA GRANT

10:10-10:20 AM: FARM SERVICE AGENCY-ELAP: SETH CROSS, USDA

10:20-10:30 AM: WALLEYE RAS OPERATION BUDGETING TOOL: TYLER FIRKUS, UWSP NORTHERN AQUACULTURE DEMONSTRATION FACILITY

10:30-10:40 AM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

10:40-11:00AM: BREAK/TRADE SHOW

11:00-12:00PM: WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT: MODERATOR TYLER FIRKUS

11:00-11:20 AM: UNDERSTANDING YOUR SOURCE WATER FOR USE IN RAS: ANDREW JACQUE, WATER QUALITY INVESTIGATIONS

11:20-11:40 AM: SYSTEM DESIGN AND ITS IMPACTS ON WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT: ED ANESHANSLEY, EDA AQUATIC DESIGN SERVICES

11:40-12:00PM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS
12:00-1:00PM: LUNCH- SPONSORED BY THE GREAT LAKES AQUACULTURE COLLABORATIVE

12:20-12:50PM: GLEN FORD: MODERATOR DON SCHREINER

1:00-1:45PM: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT- STRATEGIES, NEEDS & DIRECTION: MODERATOR EMMA HAUSER

1:00-1:35PM: PANELISTS: INTRODUCTIONS, STRATEGIES & OPPORTUNITIES

- EMMA HAUSER, UWSP NORTHERN AQUACULTURE DEMONSTRATION FACILITY & WI SEA GRANT
- DONG-FANG DENG, UWM SCHOOL OF FRESHWATER SCIENCES
- ADAM FREDERICK, MARYLAND SEA GRANT
- ELLIOT NELSON, MICHIGAN SEA GRANT
- SANDY NAAS, ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL
- OLIVIA DACHEL, COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY
- IAN MEEKER, BAYFIELD COUNTY 4-H & EXTENSION

1:35-1:45PM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

1:45-2:20 PM: PRODUCT MARKETING: MODERATOR SHARON MOEN

1:45-2:10PM: PANELISTS: INTRODUCTIONS, STRATEGIES & OPPORTUNITIES

- KRISTA KNIGGE, WI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE & CONSUMER PROTECTION
- ERIC GOERDT, NORTHERN WATERS SMOKEHAUS
- MICHAEL ZIEBELL, ITERRO LIFE

2:10-2:20PM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS
2:20-3:00 PM: PRODUCT PROCESSING: MODERATOR LAUREN JESCOVITCH

2:20-2:30PM: UNDERSTANDING HACCP: LAUREN JESCOVITCH, MICHIGAN SEA GRANT

2:30-2:45PM: PANELISTS: INTRODUCTIONS, STRATEGIES & OPPORTUNITIES

➢ BILL BODIN, BODIN FISHERIES
➢ JOSEPH DEPERRY, RED CLIFF FISH COMPANY
➢ KYLE WOOLEVER, SUPERIOR FRESH

2:45-3:00PM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

3:00-3:15PM: BREAK/TRADE SHOW

3:15-4:00PM: STUDENT PRESENTATIONS: MODERATOR EMMA KRACO

STUDENT POSTER PRESENTATIONS: 3 MINUTES, 2 SLIDES, 1 TOPIC

AUDIENCE VOTES BEST POSTER/PRESENTATION (WINNER ANNOUNCED AT 6PM)

4:00-4:30PM: SILENT AUCTION/APPETIZERS- SPONSORED BY THE GREAT LAKES AQUACULTURE COLLABORATIVE

4:30PM TOUR OPTIONS:
TOUR SIGN-UP WILL BE OPEN FRIDAY MORNING AT 7:30AM, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE, SIGN UP OPEN UNTIL 12PM NOON FRIDAY OR UNTIL FULL

4:30-5:20PM OPTION 1: UWSP- NORTHERN AQUACULTURE DEMONSTRATION FACILITY- 30 CAP

4:30-5:20PM OPTION 2: RED CLIFF HATCHERY- 20 CAP

4:30-5:00PM OPTION 3: BODIN FISHERIES PROCESSING FACILITY-15 CAP

4:30-5:00PM OPTION 4: RED CLIFF FISH COMPANY PROCESSING FACILITY- 15 CAP
5:30-6:00PM: WAA & MNAA MEETINGS

6:00PM: ANNOUNCE POSTER WINNERS/ SILENT AUCTION WINNERS

6:00-8:00PM: TASTE OF THE NORTH -COOKING DEMONSTRATION/SOCIAL: SHARON MOEN & TITUS SEILHEIMER

SATURDAY, MARCH 23______________________________________________________________

7:30AM: COFFEE/PASTRIES

8:00AM-12:00PM: UWSP NADF RAS WORKSHOP (PRE-REGISTERED ATTENDEES ONLY)

8:00AM-12PM: LEGENDARY WATERS CASINO

ROOM A

8:00AM-12:00PM: AQUACULTURE IN THE CLASSROOM: MODERATOR BARB EVANS, LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY

8:00-8:15AM: BUILD IT! AN INQUIRY BASED AQUACULTURE ACTIVITY: ADAM FREDERICK, MARYLAND SEA GRANT

8:15-8:45AM: AQUACULTURE- WHAT? WHY? HOW? ELLIOT NELSON, MICHIGAN SEA GRANT

8:45-9:15AM: RE-IMAGINE YOUR SYSTEM, ADAM FREDERICK

9:15-9:25: BREAK!

9:25-10:30AM: AQUACULTURE IN ACTION! POLYPONICS: ADAM FREDERICK
10:30-11:40AM: **Virtually Empowering BIPOC Youth in Aquaculture.**
LA SONYA LUTHER

- FIBER ARTS OMAHA
- EMERGING LADIES’ ACADEMY
- LAKOTA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

11:40-12:00PM: HOW CAN I TEACH AQUACULTURE? - RESOURCE SHARING 
& NETWORKING: ELLIOT NELSON, BARB EVANS, ADAM FREDERICK

**ROOM B**

8:00-10:00AM: **FARMING INSIGHTS: MODERATOR AMY SCHRANK**

8:00-9:30AM: PANELISTS: PRACTICES, CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS

- WALLEYE LARVICULTURE: MIKE NEUKIRCHEN, FOUNTAIN FRESH
- WALLEYE GROW-OUT: COLIN BURSIK, AQUA GARDEN
- WALLEYE/PERCH CULTURE: ANNIE SCHMITZ, WOODS & WATERS
- YELLOW PERCH CULTURE IN RAS: PETER SHEP, MULBERRY AQUAPONICS
- SHRIMP CULTURE: MICHAEL ZIEBELL, ITERRO
- BAIT FISH CULTURE: BARRY THOELE, LINCOLN BAIT
- RAINBOW TROUT & ARCTIC CHAR FLOW THROUGH: DAVE SUNDAL, JEREMIAH’S EAT MY FISH BULLFROG FARM
- ATLANTIC SALMON RAS/AQUAPONICS: KYLE WOOLEVER, SUPERIOR FRESH
- AQUAPONICS: STEPHANIE ROSIO, FOREST COUNTY POTAWATOMI BODWEWADMI KTEGAN

9:40-10AM: QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS
10:00-10:30AM BREAK/TRADE SHOW

10:30-12:00PM FISH HEALTH & BIOSECURITY: MODERATOR MYRON KEBUS

10:30-10:40AM: FISH HEALTH SURVEY IN THE NORTH CENTRAL REGION RESULTS: MYRON KEBUS, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

10:40-11:10AM: BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR THE HEALTH OF YOUR FARMED FISH: ETHAN HAEFNER AND LAUREL SACCO, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

11:10-11:20AM: WHAT STEPS TO TAKE WHEN PROBLEMS ARISE: MYRON KEBUS, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

11:20-11:40AM: THOUGHTS ON CURRENT FISH HEALTH CASES: ROBERT SMITH, CLAYTON VETERINARY CARE

11:40-12:00PM: DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

ROOM B

12:00-1:00 PM LUNCH & KEYNOTE

12:15 PM- FEDERAL ADVOCACY UPDATES FROM THE NATIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION: CHARLIE CULPEPPER

1:00PM: CLOSING REMARKS