

2021 Ontario Biodiversity Summit

Reducing threats to Ontario's biodiversity

Thursday August 12, 2021

10:00am **Welcome and introduction** *Lauren Tonelli, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters*
Opening message *Steve Hounsell, Ontario Biodiversity Council, and Elder Dorothy Taylor, Curve Lake First Nation*

10:20am **Session 1: Overarching biodiversity concerns**
Introduction - *Lauren Tonelli*
Ecological footprint - *Eric Miller, York University*
Climate change - *Alison Clark, Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry*
Session summary - *Lauren Tonelli*

12:00pm **Lunch break**

12:30pm **Session 2: On the ground concerns**
Introduction - *Colin Cassin, Invasive Species Centre*
Habitat loss - *Dr. Anne Bell, Ontario Nature*
Invasive species

- Phragmites - *Eric Cleland, Nature Conservancy Canada*
- Wild pigs - *Dr. Keith Munro, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters*

Novel threats and actions

- Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre – *Dr. Sue Carstairs*
- Hunting as a biodiversity tool - *Dr. Keith Munro*

Session summary - *Colin Cassin*

2:30 **Ends**

Program at a glance

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THURSDAY AUGUST 12

10:00 – 2:00pm **Reducing threats to Ontario’s biodiversity** [Register now!](#)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16

9:00am – 12:00pm **Mainstreaming biodiversity within agriculture** [Register now!](#)

1:00pm – 4:00pm **Mainstreaming biodiversity within forestry** [Register now!](#)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 23

9:00am – 12:00pm **Mainstreaming biodiversity within business** [Register now!](#)

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10:00am–12:00pm **Funding biodiversity and nature-based climate actions** [Register now!](#)

1:00pm – 3:00pm **Investing in natural infrastructure for biodiversity and climate resilient communities** [Register now!](#)

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