

2021 Ontario Biodiversity Summit

Restoring aquatic biodiversity

Thursday July 15, 2021

9:00am **Welcome** *Tom Whillans, Trent University*
Opening message *Steve Hounsell, Ontario Biodiversity Council & Dorothy Taylor, Curve Lake First Nation*

9:15am **Panel 1 – Balancing protection, restoration and offsetting**
Moderator *Tom Whillans*
Panelists:
Ralph Toninger, Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
Lynette Mader, Ducks Unlimited Canada
Sue Doka, Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Tom Hilditch, Colucent Environmental

10:30am *Break*

10:45pm **Panel 2 – Tracking meaningful indicators of aquatic diversity: genetic, species and community**
Moderator *Tom Whillans*
Panelists:
Chris Wilson, Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
Nicholas Mandrak, University of Toronto
Eric Sager, Fleming College

12:00pm *Lunch*

12:45pm **Panel 3 – Translating global into local: international agreements relating to freshwater**
Moderator *Tom Whillans*
Panelists:
Bob Lambe, Great Lakes Fisheries Commission
Kevin Loftus, Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
Shaelyn Wabegijig, Kawartha World Issues Centre
Brad McNevin, Quinte Conservation

2:00pm *Break*

2:15pm **Panel 4 – Bottom-up engagement on aquatic biodiversity**
Moderator *Tom Whillans*
Panelists:
Leora Berman, The Land Between
Barb King, Watersheds Canada
Shirley Williams, Trent University
Terry Rees, Federation of Ontario Cottagers Associations

3:30pm **Wrap-up and resources for more information**

Program at a glance

THURSDAY JULY 15

9:00am – 4:00pm	Restoring aquatic biodiversity	Register now!
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AUGUST

<i>video series</i>	Prioritizing biodiversity education in a changing world	Register now!
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THURSDAY AUGUST 12

10:00 – 2:00pm	Reducing threats to Ontario’s biodiversity	Register now!
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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16

9:00am – 12:00pm	Mainstreaming biodiversity within agriculture	Register now!
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1:00pm – 4:00pm	Mainstreaming biodiversity within forestry	Register now!
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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 23

9:00am – 12:00pm	Mainstreaming biodiversity within business	Register now!
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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 30

10:00am–12:00pm	Funding biodiversity and nature-based climate actions	Register now!
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1:00pm – 3:00pm	Investing in natural infrastructure for biodiversity and climate resilient communities	Register now!
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