

**2025 EPA Region 5 State and Tribal
Wetland Program Virtual Meeting
October 14 and 15, 2025**

AGENDA

Online via Teams

(All times listed are in Central Time)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

1:00 PM **Welcome and Introductions**

1:45 PM EPA Updates

1:45 – 2:00 EPA's Enhanced State and Tribal Program Overview

2:00 – 2:25 National Wetlands Conditions Assessment Update and the Regional Monitoring Network in R5

2:25 PM **BREAK**

2:35 PM Wetlands Trivia

2:45 PM **Wetland Program Development Grant Presentations**

2:45 – 3:10 Eye of the Beholder: Perception of Natural Beauty of Wisconsin Wetlands, Ben Beardmore, Wisconsin DNR

3:10 – 3:35 Evaluation of Alternate Wetland Assessment Methods in Ohio, Jeff Boyles, Ohio EPA

3:35 – 4:00 Establishing Wetlands as an Agricultural Management Practice in Wisconsin, Erin O'Brien, Wisconsin Wetlands Association

4:00 PM Closing Remarks & Survey

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00 AM Welcome and Wetlands Trivia

9:15 AM **Region 5 Tribal Wetlands Working Group Updates**, Mike Jones, Stockbridge-Munsee Community

- 9:40 AM **Wetland Program Development Grant Presentations**
- 9:40 – 10:05 Riparian Wetlands, John Saltanovitz, Michigan EGLE
- 10:05 – 10:30 Mercury Concentrations in Peatland vs. Non-Peatland Tributaries of Red Lake, Tyler Orgon, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
- 10:30 AM **BREAK**
- 10:45 AM **Wetland Program Development Grant Presentations**
- 10:45 – 11:10 Weaving Wetland Knowledge at SMSC: Using Cultural Inputs and Geospatial Tools for Improved Stewardship, Ferin Davis Anderson, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community
- 11:10 – 11:35 Wisconsin Mitigation Guidelines Update, Chelsey Lundeen, Wisconsin DNR
- 11:35 – 11:50 Using Desktop Resources to Complete the New WI/MN Wetland Functional Assessment Method, Sally Jarosz, WI DNR, and Ken Powell, MN BWSR
- 11:50 AM **Closing Remarks & Survey**