

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

CHANGING RIVERS

A VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

RiversEdge West's 19th Annual Research and Management Conference is going virtual! The 19th Annual Conference will be held in a virtual collaborative format over the course of two weeks – from February 16-19, 2021, and February 23-26, 2021. The conference will feature a mix of live sessions and panels with interactive discussion, pre-recorded presentations followed by live Q&A, field tours and demonstrations, as well as plenty of virtual networking opportunities!

SHARE YOUR WORK

Send us your abstract for a presentation or panel! We also encourage you to submit your ideas for recording a how-to video, hosting a field demonstration, or tour of your restoration project (where you can walk through your restoration project, highlight your successes, failures, planting methods, weed control, etc.).

ABSTRACTS FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS ARE DUE ON NOVEMBER 19, 2020.

Abstracts for poster presentations (see website for details on our unique poster session in the coming weeks) are due January 1, 2021. Email your abstract(s) in a Word document to Cara at ckukuraitis@riversedgewest.org.

POTENTIAL TOPICS INCLUDE (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO):

CLIMATE CHANGE & ADAPTATION

How can we adapt restoration responses such that they are more likely to be successful in a rapidly changing climate? What tools, experiences, and monitoring can we use to develop climate-adapted stream and riparian restoration?

WILDLIFE & RESTORATION

Does restoration create quality aquatic and riparian habitat for wildlife? As we look to the future, what are the key challenges and opportunities for restoring riparian and aquatic habitat? What in-stream habitat improvements or impacts have you seen as a result of riparian restoration?

LESSONS LEARNED & FAILED PROJECTS

What have we learned from past riparian restoration experiences? It is much easier to discuss successes but there is a wealth of information gained from restoration efforts that were not able to meet their objectives. What worked and what didn't? What could have been done better? We want to hear about those lessons and experiences.

REVEGETATION

What native riparian plants are you finding to be the most successful in your restoration projects or research? E.g. sourcing,

successes, failures, alternatives, genetics of effective cultivars.

TRIBAL PERSPECTIVES ON RESTORATION

What has worked and what hasn't worked from both a historical standpoint as well as present day? How do we manage a constantly changing landscape while incorporating Traditional Ecological Knowledge, historical land management, and cultural considerations?

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, & MONITORING

What technology/tools/guides/research is out there to make restoration tactics and monitoring of results more efficient and effective?

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & STEWARDSHIP

How do you engage the public and elected officials throughout the life of your project and beyond? How have you adapted as a result of COVID-19?

DEMONSTRATIONS FROM THE FIELD

Show us (successful or unsuccessful) examples of post-fire restoration, weed control methods, revegetation techniques, etc. Presenters may pre-record their field demonstration or site tour in advance, present via a PowerPoint, or use a combination of the two presentation methods.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

Email your abstract(s) in a Word Document to Ckukuraitis@Riversedgewest.org
by November 19th following the abstract template below:

Title

Size 12 Calibri font, bold, centered, title case (e.g. Capitalize the First Letter of Each Word)

Author Name^{1*}, Author Name²

Size 11 Calibri font, centered. Note the presenting author(s) with an asterisk after their last name, all authors should be accompanied with a superscript linking to their contact information in the subsequent line. For multi-author abstracts, place an asterisk only next to the person(s) who will be presenting. First and last name required, no middle initial.

¹Affiliations

Size 10 Calibri font, justified left. State the Organization/Company Name, City/Town, State/Province, Country; Email Address

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Abstract Content

Size 11 Calibri font, justified left.

Please begin with a concise statement of the topic and end with a substantive conclusion about what major takeaways attendees will learn from this presentation or session.

- Please italicize Latin species names.
- Spell out acronyms.
- If you are suggesting a session topic, include potential speakers, affiliations, and contact information for each presenter

Abstract Type

Please indicate: 1) whether you would like this considered for an oral or poster presentation (or both); 2) whether you'd like this to be a pre-recorded PowerPoint presentation, a live session, a pre-recorded field demonstration, or a site tour, and; 3) what session topics best suit your presentation.

EXAMPLE

Title of Conference Presentation, Session, or Poster

First Last Name^{1*}, First Last Name², and First Last Name³

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*Denote presentation type (oral/poster), format (PowerPoint, field demonstration, site tour), and appropriate session topics.