



63rd Annual Joint North Dakota Water Convention AND Irrigation Workshop

**Bismarck Hotel & Conference Center
December 8-10**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

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| 2:30-4:30 pm | Upper Sheyenne River Joint Water Resource Board Meeting
– Governor's Room |
| 3:00-4:00 pm | N.D. Water Coalition Meeting – Cannonball Room |
| 4:30-6:00 pm | ND Water Resource Districts Association Board Meeting
– Room 2130 |
| 6:00-8:00 pm | All Water Social – Heart Room
Co-Hosted by HDR and the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District |

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

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| 7:30 am | Registration – Coat Room |
| 8:00-11:00 am | Water Managers Seminar – Missouri Ballroom |
| 9:00-11:30 am | ND Rural Water Systems Association Managers Meeting
(Rural Water Managers Only) – Governor's Room |
| 9:00 am-Noon | Commercial Exhibit Set-up |

FOLLOWING EVENTS IN PATTERSON/LAMBORN ROOM

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| 11:30 am | ND Water Education Foundation Silent Auction Benefit Opens |
| 11:30 am | Opening Lunch |
| 12:10 pm | Rural Mental Health: Challenges, Resources, and Opportunities
• Sarah Bedgar, <i>INVITED</i> |
| 1:00 pm | Commercial Exhibits Open |
| 1:00-1:45 pm | State of Water
• Reice Haase, <i>Department of Water Resources</i> |
| 1:45-2:15 pm | Northwest Area Water Supply and Southwest Pipeline Project Updates |
| 2:15-3:00 pm | Aquatic Nuisance Species Program Status Update
• Ben Holen, <i>Game and Fish Department</i> |
| 3:00-3:30 pm | Break |

3:30-4:45 pm	Water and Prosperity: Navigating Growth in Emerging Industries
5:00-6:00 pm	Resolutions Meeting – <i>Missouri Ballroom</i> <i>Water Users/Water Resource Districts/Irrigation Associations</i>
6:00-7:00 pm	Social – <i>Courtyard</i>

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 am	Commercial Exhibits Open – <i>Courtyard</i>
8:00-9:00 am	Prayer Breakfast: Man in Motion – <i>Missouri Ballroom</i> • <i>Jeff Frith, Devils Lake Joint Water Board</i>

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9:00-9:10 am	Welcome – <i>Lt. Governor Michelle Strinden</i> , INVITED
9:10-9:50 am	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wetlands Update • <i>Director Brian Nesvik, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</i> , INVITED
9:50-10:30 am	Forecasting the Future: Short- and Long-Term Weather Outlooks • <i>Allen Schlag, National Weather Service Forecast Office</i>
10:30-11:00 am	Break
11:00-11:30 am	Western Area Water Supply and Red River Valley Water Supply Updates
11:30-11:45 am	Water Users Update • <i>Mary Massad and Dani Quissell</i>
11:45 am	ND Water Users Association Elections
Noon	Buffet Luncheon
Noon-2:00 pm	Concurrent Joint Board and Annual Meetings • <i>Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board – Sheyenne Room</i> • <i>Missouri River Joint Water Board – Heart Room</i> • <i>ND Irrigation Association Membership Meeting – Grand Pacific Room</i> • <i>Souris River Joint Board – Governor's Room</i> • <i>Red River Joint Water Resource District – Cannonball Room</i>
1:00-2:00 pm	ND Irrigation Association Board Meeting – <i>Grand Pacific Room</i>

FOLLOWING EVENTS IN PATTERSON/LAMBORN ROOM

2:00-2:30 pm	Mouse River Flood Control and FM Diversion Updates
2:30-3:00 pm	Envirothon Excellence: A North Dakota Success Story • <i>Bismarck High School Envirothon Team</i>
3:00-3:30 pm	Rural Water and Municipal Water Updates
3:30 pm	Commercial Exhibits Close
3:40-4:00 pm	Resolutions: Final Adoption – <i>Missouri Ballroom</i> <i>Water Users/Water Resource Districts/Irrigation Associations</i>
4:10-5:30 pm	ND Water Users Association Board Meeting – <i>Governor's Room</i>
5:30-6:30 pm	Social – <i>Courtyard</i>
6:30 pm	Awards Banquet – Entertainment: Strolling Strings of Bismarck – <i>Patterson/Lamborn Room</i> ND Water Education Foundation Silent Auction Benefit Ends

IRRIGATION WORKSHOP | Thursday, December 10 • 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

SPONSORED BY: North Dakota Water Users Association and North Dakota Irrigation Association

TOPICS INCLUDE: • *FWS Wetland Easements* • *Long- and Short-Term Weather Forecasting* • *Incorporating Irrigation Technology* • *Economic Impact of Irrigation and Drainage in North Dakota* • *State Permitting for Irrigation*