

MICHIGAN WATER TRAIL SUMMIT

September 15, 2016
Shanty Creek Resort

AGENDA



MORNING

8:00 – 9:00 Light Breakfast and Registration

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and Introduction

Harry Burkholder, Executive Director
Land Information Access Association (LIAA)

9:10 – 10:10 PechaKucha Presentations

10:10 – 10:25 Regional and National Water Trail Efforts
Barbara Nelson-Jameson, Michigan Program Coordinator
National Park Service
Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program

10:25 – 10:35 Break and Networking

10:35 – 11:15 Michigan Department of Natural Resources Water Trail Efforts

Draft Water Trail Designation Criteria Marc Miller, Regional Initiatives Deputy
Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Emily Meyerson, Northern Lower Peninsula Trail
Coordinator
Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Paul Yauk, State Trails Coordinator
Michigan Department of Natural Resources

*Woody Debris Management
& Natural River Designation* Patrick Ertel, Resource Analyst
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Fisheries Division, Habitat Management Unit

11:15 – 12:00 Water Trail Planning – Getting Started
PANEL

Megan Olds, President and Principal
Parallel Solutions

Elaine Sterrett Isely, Director of Water and Low Impact
Design Programs
West Michigan Environmental Action Council

Elizabeth Riggs, Deputy Director
Huron River Watershed Council

AFTERNOON

12:00 – 1:15	Lunch and Featured Speaker	Steve Brede, Paddling the Great Lakes
1:15 – 2:00 PANEL	Paddling Events and Activity Management	Cheryl Saam, Recreation Supervisor Argo/Gallup Canoe Liveries City of Ann Arbor Jeremy Smith and Miles Prendergast, Managers Paddle for Pints Sondra Severn, Project Coordinator Flint River Watershed Coalition
2:00 – 3:00 PANEL	Water Trail Planning – Getting Started 2.0	
	<i>Water Trail Signage</i>	Bob Ford, Landscape Architect Landscape Architects & Planners (LAP)
	<i>Legal Considerations</i>	Mary Bohling, Educator Michigan Sea Grant
	<i>Universal Water Trail Access</i>	Cindy Burkhour Access Recreation Group
3:00 – 3:15	Break and Networking	
3:15 – 3:55 PANEL	Economic and Community Impact of Water Trails	Elizabeth Riggs, Deputy Director Huron River Watershed Council Matt Drake, COO Shorts Brewery & President of Paddle Antrim
3:55 – 4:20	Feature Speaker	Jon Allan, Director Office of the Great Lakes
4:20 – 4:30	Wrap Up	Harry Burkholder, Executive Director Land Information Access Association (LIAA)

EVENING

5:30 – 7:00	Paddle the Chain of Lakes (off-site paddle)	Hosted By: Megan Olds, Board Member Paddle Antrim Haley Breniser, Executive Director Grass River Natural Area
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