



2022 KAMM Regional Training

KAMM REGION III AGENDA

March 16, 2022

Sanitation District No. 1 of Northern Kentucky (SD1),
Board Room
1045 Eaton Drive, Fort Wright, KY 41017

Agenda

10:00-10:15	Registration - Coffee and Donuts	
10:15-10:30	Welcome & Introductions	Mario Sebastiani, KAMM Region III Representative
10:30-11:15	Developing Successful Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Grant Applications	Esther White, KY Emergency Management
11:15-12:00	Mitigation Banking	Matt Wooten, Northern KY Sanitation District No. 1
12:00-12:30	KAMM Lunch	
12:30-1:30	SD1 Public Service Park Guided Tour	Craig Frye, Northern KY Sanitation District No. 1
1:30-2:15	WARN - Weather Awareness for a Rural Nation	Jane Marie Wix, National Weather Service and Jason York, Bath County EM
2:15-3:00	Floodplain and Wetland Restoration Along the Banklick Creek	Nicole Clements, Banklick Creek Watershed Council
3:00-3:30	Final Remarks & Adjourn	Mario Sebastiani, KAMM



Speaker Bios

Esther White has worked as a Project Grants Manager for the UK's Hazard Mitigation Grants Program and KYEM since 2007, working with communities, agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private sector partners statewide to develop and secure FEMA funding for numerous technical multi-hazard mitigation projects. Esther holds degrees in Business Administration from Berea College and Public Administration from the University of KY and serves as Chair of the Executive Board of Directors for KAMM.

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Matt Wooten has spent 21 years studying streams, holding BS and MS degrees in biology from Marshall University in Huntington, WV. Currently, Matt works for Northern Kentucky Sanitation District No. 1 (SD1) as an Environmental Program Manager, focused on the interactions of stream ecology and urban hydrology to manage the physical and ecological impacts of storm water runoff. He has authored/co-authored nine peer reviewed manuscripts, has presented at numerous conferences, symposia and workshops, was the Cincinnati Society of Scientists Young Scientist of the Year in 2007, and is a 2019 graduate of the Water Environment Federations' Leadership Institute.

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Craig Frye is an Environmental Scientist in the Water Resources Group for Sanitation District No. 1 (SD1) – a storm water and wastewater utility serving Northern Kentucky. Mr. Frye joined SD1 in 2005 and is currently responsible for storm water permit compliance activities such as monitoring and assessing the effectiveness of storm water best management practices. He is also active in both the biological and water quality monitoring programs associated with SD1's Consent Decree.

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Jane Marie Wix is a Brandenburg, KY native, and went to school at Western Kentucky University, a member of the very first graduating class of Meteorology. She is now the Warning Coordination Meteorologist for the NWS office in Jackson, KY, serving 33 counties across eastern Kentucky. She works as the liaison between the NWS and their partners, including emergency management, media, and other county and state agencies. She is also devoted to education and addressing the needs of underserved communities in an effort to help build a more weather-ready and weather-resilient population, which lead to the creation of the WARN (Weather Awareness for a Rural Nation) Task Force. The WARN Task Force is currently tackling the large gap in weather information for the Amish communities both in Kentucky and across the U.S.

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Jason York has been the Emergency Management Director in Bath County Kentucky for 8 years. In Late April of 2020, a pregnant Amish mother and her 5 children were washed off a low water bridge during a severe storm. Director York was the Incident Commander for the event that utilized 36 agencies and gained international attention. This event is one of the catalysts for the WARN program. son York, Bath Co. EMA.

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Nicole Clements has been the watershed coordinator for the Banklick Watershed Council since 2015. She is responsible for grant management, project oversight, and community collaboration. She's been in the water resources industry since 2000; working in the private sector, for public utilities, and now a nonprofit.

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