



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

“2008 Ohio Statewide Floodplain Management Conference” August 27-28, 2008 The Columbus, A Renaissance Hotel Columbus, Ohio

Abstract Submittal Information. The Call for Abstracts is open to anyone interested in making a presentation to the conference. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Conference Planning Committee and selected based on content and relevance to floodplain management and associated issues. **Submissions must be received by February 18, 2008** to be considered for presentation at the conference. Incomplete or late submissions may be refused.

Abstract Guidelines:

- Submissions must be concise, limited to 500 words, and provide an accurate description of the policy, educational, scientific, engineering, or technological material to be presented at the conference.
- Abstracts must be accompanied by the Abstract Submittal Form, which can be obtained from the ODNR website at: <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Water/FloodPlains/FloodConferencesPage/tabid/17934/Default.aspx>.
- The Abstract Submittal Form must be completed and submitted to the Conference Chair along with the biographical sketch(s) of the author(s), and the abstract.
- Abstract should be submitted by email to alicia.silverio@dnr.state.oh.us as a Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect attachment. (You will receive a return email to confirm that your submittal has been received. If you do not have email or internet access, or have other submittal questions, contact Conference Chair Alicia Silverio at 614-265-1006.)

Authors selected as Presenters:

- will be notified of acceptance of the abstract for presentation by March 17th, 2008.
- will use laptop computers and LCD projectors provided on-site, utilizing the Microsoft PowerPoint program.
- provide a copy of the presentation to the Conference Chair via email or CD by **August 7, 2008**.

Audience. The Statewide Conference will offer three tracks to accommodate attendees and their various levels of floodplain management knowledge and experience. As the only floodplain management conference in Ohio, this annual event attracts a broad audience including local, state and federal government officials, engineers, consultants, planners, related non-profit organizations, and involved citizens. Please develop your presentation using the sort of detailed and useful material that you would like to have presented to yourself. Presentations that will interest the audience and generate conversation are encouraged. Presentations focused on delivering a “sales pitch” approach will not be accepted.

Length and focus of presentation. Presentations will be allotted 30, 45, or 60 minute sessions, unless otherwise indicated on the agenda. Please emphasize conclusions and recommendations in your presentation based upon your professional experience(s).

Audio-Visual. Authors selected as Presenters will use laptop computers and LCD projectors provided on-site, utilizing the Microsoft PowerPoint program. Additionally, each presentation must be provided to the Conference Chair by **August 7th, 2008** via email or CD. A moderator will monitor each breakout session. There will be no time lag between speakers due to the common problem of ‘swapping out’ of personal equipment. Laser pointers will be available.

Travel arrangements. Presenters are responsible for their own hotel, air, and other travel arrangements. Conference facility and accommodations information will be posted at:
<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Water/FloodPlains/FloodConferencesPage/tabid/17934/Default.aspx>

Display materials and handouts. All Presenters are encouraged to provide the Conference Chair with handouts of the information presented during their presentation for distribution to Conference Attendees. These handouts must be submitted to the Conference Chair by **August 7th, 2008**. Presenters may also bring books, reports, pamphlets, handouts, and other materials that may be of interest to the audience.

For more information about the “**2008 Ohio Statewide Floodplain Management Conference**”, please contact Alicia Silverio at 614-265-1006 or alicia.silverio@dnr.state.oh.us.



ABSTRACT SUBMITTAL FORM

“2008 Ohio Statewide Floodplain Management Conference”

Ohio Floodplain Management Association (OFMA) 8th Annual Conference
Columbus, Ohio

Please email this form, attached biographical sketch(s) of the author(s), and the abstract to the Conference Chair alicia.silverio@dnr.state.oh.us no later than February 18, 2008. Incomplete or late abstracts may be subject to automatic rejection. Multiple submissions by one author or organization will be limited.

Title of Abstract: _____

Principle Author (Single Point of Contact)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Affiliation: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Second Author

Name: _____

Title: _____

Affiliation: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Use a copy of this page for additional authors.

Abstracts will be peer-reviewed and selected based on content and relevance to the topic and area issues listed previously. Submissions must be received by February 18, 2008 to be considered for presentation at the conference. The author identified as the Principle Author or Single Point of Contact will be notified by March 17, 2008 of acceptance of the abstract for presentation.