



19th Joint Annual Conference
Red River Watershed Management Board
Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Work Group

March 22-23, 2017 - Courtyard by Marriott, Moorhead



DRAINAGE SEMINAR March 22, 2017

AGENDA

- 8:00 AM** **Breakfast – Salon G, Grand Ballroom**
- 9:00 AM** **Introduction**
Robert Sip, Environmental Policy Specialist – Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)
- 9:05 AM** **Drainage Updates From the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources**
Al Kean, Chief Engineer (BWSR) and Tim Gillette, Conservation Drainage Engineer (BWSR)
- Drainage Work Group and Current Discussion Topics
 - Drainage Records Modernization
 - Minnesota Public Drainage Manual Update
 - Drainage System Acquisition of Buffer Strips
- 9:50 AM** **Nationwide Permits - Update from the US Army Corps of Engineers**
Craig Jarnot, Biologist (US Army Corps of Engineers)
- 10:10 AM** **Red River Drainage Research Updates**
- Discovery Farms - *Tim Radatz, Research Specialist (MN Agricultural Water Resources Center)*
 - Clay County - *Stefan Bischof, Hydrologist (MDA)*
 - Red River Valley Drainage Water Management Project and Sub-irrigation in the Red River Basin
Jeppe Kjaersgaard, Research Scientist (MDA)
- 11:00 AM** **Trends in Adoption of Drainage Water Management Practices in the Red River Basin**
- *Don Bajumpaa, District Manager (Wilkin County SWCD)*
 - *Jason Roth, P.E., State Water Management Engineer (MN NRCS)*
 - *Erik Jones, P.E. (Houston Engineering)*
 - *Levi Otis (Ellingson Drainage)*
- 12:00 Noon** **Moving Forward: Future Use of TSAC and BTSAC Recommendations**
- *Charlie Anderson, Water Resources Engineer (Widseth Smith & Nolting)*
- 12:15 PM** **Adjourn (Lunch – Salon G, Grand Ballroom)**

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES:

- Share current results of drainage research projects.
- Provide updates on current drainage policy.
- Learn about Drainage Water Management adoption.
- Serve as an opportunity to engage researchers and local policy makers.