

Wisconsin Coastal Beaches Working Group

Fall Meeting Agenda

Meeting Objectives: Convene local, state, federal, university and non-profit partners involved in beach research, management, education and communication for a day of information sharing, collaboration and networking. Attendees will hear reports from Wisconsin's beach partners on issues from beach restoration to water quality.

Dates & Times: October 29th, 1:00pm – 5:00pm
October 30th, 8:00am – 12:00pm

Location: Best Western Hotel Chequamegon (101 Lake Shore Dr W, Ashland, WI 54806)

October 29th

- 12:30 – 1:00 **Registration and Networking**
- 1:00 – 1:10 **Welcome and Introductions** (Brant Kucera, Ashland City Administrator)
- 1:10 – 1:30 **Department of Natural Resources Report: Wisconsin Beaches** (Madeline Magee, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources)
- 1:30 – 2:15 **Presentation – Coastal Storms & Impacts on Beaches** (Naomi Tillison - Bad River Natural Resources, Sara Hudson -City of Ashland, Linda Nguyen – Red Cliff Natural Resources)
- 2:15 – 2:25 **BREAK** (beverages & snacks provided)
- 2:25 – 3:10 **Round Table Discussion**
Participants will have an opportunity to present brief updates about coastal beach projects and initiatives around the state.
- 3:10 – 3:45 **Coastal Beaches Working Group Discussion**
A facilitated discussion about our collective vision for working group activities and engagement over the next year.
- 3:45 – 5:00 **Burke Center Lab Tour**
Tour of Northland College's Burke Center Lab where beach monitoring for Ashland County occurs. Tour facilities and talk about how beach monitoring affects our students in the lab.
- 6:00 pm **Social and Dinner (optional)**

October 30th

- 8:00 – 8:15 **Registration, Welcome & Introductions** (Mike Wiggins, Bad River Tribal Chairman)
- 8:15 – 9:00 **Presentation – Cyanobacteria Study** (Brenda Lafrancois, National Park Service, and Matt Hudson, Northland College)
- 9:00 – 9:45 **Presentation –Economic Impact Beach Study** (Matt Winden, UW Whitewater)

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9:45 – 10:00 **BREAK** (beverages & snacks provided)

10:00 – 10:30 **Presentation – Characterizing Lake Superior Dangerous Currents** (Chin Wu and Yuli Liu, University of Wisconsin-Madison)

10:30 – 12:00 **City of Ashland’s Waterfront Tour**

This tour will highlight the recent projects that have turned Ashland once industrial waterfront into public recreational space and implementing climate resiliency. Tour highlights: Ashland Oredock, Bayview Pier, and Maslowski Beach

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