



## IWEA Watershed Management Committee – 2015 Annual Report

The IWEA Watershed Management Committee planned and executed another successful watershed management track at the 2015 IWEA Annual Conference at the I-Hotel in Champaign. Over 80 people attended the day-long event featuring guest speakers from IEPA and several watershed organizations throughout the state. The agenda included:

- Water Quality Standards Update - Bob Mosher, IEPA Water Quality Standards Unit
- TMDL and NonPoint Source Program Update – Amy Burns-Walkenbach, IEPA Watershed Management Section
- Panel Discussion - Watershed Management Programs and Regulations – All Speakers
- DuPage River Salt Creek Workgroup Update – Jennifer Hammer, The Conservation Foundation
- Sangamon River / Lake Decatur Watershed Update - Keith Alexander, City of Decatur Water Management
- Lake Bloomington Watershed Update - Rick Twait, Lake Bloomington Watershed Planning Committee
- Lake Mauvaise Terre Watershed Update – Jeff Boeckler, Northwater Consulting
- Salt Fork Vermillion River Watershed Update - Laura Zimmerman, Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District

For the IWEA Clarifier, the Committee produced four articles for “From the Shed”, the standing quarterly column. The Committee is continuing to provide an Illinois water environment trivia question for the Clarifier.

The Committee conducted monthly conference calls to discuss timely watershed management topics, develop future activities, and coordinate efforts.

The committee welcomed two new member in 2015, Lindsay Birt of Huff and Huff, and Taylor Leahy of CDM Smith.

### **IWEA Watershed Management Committee Mission**

Develop, recommend, and conduct activities to broaden the understanding of watershed management to more effectively preserve and enhance the Illinois water environment. Conduct workshops, produce articles and updates for the IWEA Clarifier, and serve as a bridge to the Water Environment Federation Watershed Management Committee.

### **Current Committee Members**

Chair, Dan Bounds, CDM Smith

Vice Chair, Gunilla Goulding, Arcadis

Steve Zehner, Robinson Engineering

Benjamin O'Neil, US Army Corps of Engineers

Matt Bardol, Geosyntec

Rob Swanson, DuPage County Stormwater Management Commission

Scott Tomkins, IEPA

Stephen McCracken, The Conservation Foundation

Lindsay Birt, Huff and Huff