



WRM@60 Schedule for Friday, September 19, 2025

8:00-8:45 am	Breakfast and networking
8:45-9:30 am	Welcome and opening comments Paul Robbins, Dean and Director, Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies Ken Genskow, Professor and Program Chair, WRM Karen Anderson (WRM '14), Director of Development, Nelson Institute, Wisconsin Foundation and Alumni Association
9:30 am	Depart for field trips, travel time ranges from 15-20 minutes
10:00-11:45 am	Field trips taking place — some guests will stay at Holt to network 1] Mendota Boat Tour: transport by bus/walking to Alumni Park/Goodspeed Pier 2] Waubesa Wetlands: transport by bus to wetlands location 3] UW Arboretum/Lake Wingra: transport by bus to Visitors Center
11:45 am/12:00 pm	Depart from field trip sites and return to Holt Center
12:15 pm	Arrive Holt Center
12:15-1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15-1:30 pm	Reconvene for afternoon sessions Ken Genskow, WRM Program Chair: welcome (back) and overview of afternoon session
1:30-3:00 pm	Session 1: Learning Through Practicum Workshops <i>Driving questions: how has the practicum model served our students and what insights for improvement?</i> Part A: 1:30-2:20pm: A look back—reflections and ripple effects Moderated by Christina Anderson (WRM '13) <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Lake Belle View (1995), Patricia Cicero (WRM '96)■ Coastal Wetlands of Manitowoc County (1998), Chad Cook (WRM '98) and Angela James (WRM '00)■ Door Creek Watershed Assessment (2009), Kyle Magyera (WRM '10), Kim Meyer (WRM '10), Kyle Minks (WRM '10) Part B: 2:20-3:30pm: Current practices and future success Moderated by Tim Asplund (WRM '91) Reflections and insights from an engaged WRM alumnus Bridging from past to present: WRM projects 2019-2023 2024 Practicum: Fancy Creek Restoration 2025 Practicum: Beaver Dam Lake Management Opportunities (continued)

	<p>Audience engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ What resonates from your WRM experience ■ What advice for sustaining or improving this model? ■ What advice for identifying/vetting potential projects? <p>10-15 minutes of table discussion 10 minutes of large group sharing</p>
3:00-3:30 pm	Break with refreshments
3:30-4:30 pm	<p>Session 2: Nurturing capacity for innovation and change Moderated by Ken Genskow, WRM Program Chair</p> <p><i>Driving question: how do we prepare students and strengthen the WRM network for the challenges of tomorrow?</i></p> <p>Part A: Ongoing Water Management Challenges (10 minutes each)</p> <p>‘Phosphorus in context’ – Kyle Minks – WRM ’10, Watershed Manager, Watersheds & Ecosystem Services Division, Dane County Land & Water Resources Department</p> <p>‘Groundwater regimes in flux’ – Dr. Steve Loheide, Professor Civil & Environmental Engineering, 2025 Darcy Lecturer for the National Ground Water Association, WRM Program Committee, UW-Madison</p> <p>‘Navigating disruptive change’ – Dr. Mallika Nocco – E&R PhD ’17, Asst Professor and Extension Specialist Biological Systems Engineering, UW-Madison</p> <p>Part B: Your Ideas!</p> <p>What opportunities do you see to support WRM students and alumni and enhance the overall WRM experience?</p> <p>10-15 minutes of table discussion 10 minutes of large group sharing</p> <p>5 minutes closing comments</p>
4:30-4:45 pm	Group photo!
4:45-6:00 pm	<p>Happy Hour: partial cash-bar service (1 drink ticket provided with registration)</p>