

MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society 36th Annual Meeting



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**September 11-13, 2017
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Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 11th

Monday's Agenda-at-a-Glance

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting (<i>Greystone</i>)
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Meeting Registration (<i>Pre-Function Foyer</i>)
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Exhibits Setup (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Welcoming Social (<i>Shelby</i>)

Dinner on your own

Tuesday, September 12th – MidSouth APMS Aquatic Plant Workshop & General Sessions

Tuesday's Agenda-at-a-Glance

7:00 am - 8:00 am	Breakfast (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Meeting Registration (<i>Pre-Function Foyer</i>)
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Exhibits Open (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
8:00 am - 12:15 pm	MidSouth APMS Aquatic Plant Workshop (<i>Inverness</i>)
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Refreshment Break (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
12:15 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch (<i>On Your Own</i>)
1:30 pm - 3:20 pm	General Session I (<i>Inverness</i>)
3:20 pm - 3:40 pm	Refreshment Break (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
3:40 pm - 5:00 pm	General Session II (<i>Inverness</i>)

Dinner on your own

2017 MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society Aquatic Plant Workshop – *Inverness Room*

Moderator: Christopher Mudge, *US Army ERDC, Baton Rouge, Louisiana*

8:00 am **Pesticide Safety Basics – Get Refreshed on Pesticide Safety**

John Nabors

Alabama Extension, Birmingham, Alabama

9:00 am **Biological Control for the Management of Invasive Aquatic Plants**

Julie Nachtrieb

US Army ERDC, Lewisville, Texas

10:00 am **Refreshment Break** (*Cahaba 2-4*)

10:15 am **Herbicides for Use in Aquatic Environments**

Gray Turnage

Geosystems Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi

10:45 am **Adaptive Water Resource Management: Techniques for Problematic Algae**

Tyler D. Geer

Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Environmental Conservation, Clemson, South Carolina

11:15 am **Identification of Exotic and Other Highly Problematic Aquatic Weeds in the MidSouth**

R. Graves Lovell

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Auburn, Alabama

12:15 pm **Workshop Concludes and Lunch on your own**

General Session I (*Inverness*)

Moderator: **Jeremy Slade**, *UPI, Alachua, Florida*

1:30 pm **Opening Remarks and Announcements**

Jeremy Slade
UPI, Alachua, Florida

1:40 pm **Presidential Address**

Ryan Wersal
Lonza Water Treatment, Alpharetta, Georgia

1:50 pm **Watts Bar Ecology and Fishery Council (WBEFC) – Building a Successful Stakeholder Organization**

Timothy Joseph
Roane County Commission- Stakeholder Organization, Rockwood, Tennessee

2:20 pm **The Importance of Stakeholder Education and Outreach - A Cornerstone in Aquatic Plant Management**

Brett Hartis
Tennessee Valley Authority, Guntersville, Alabama

2:50 pm **Aquatic Plant Management: An Applicator's Perspective**

Troy Goldsby
AquaServices, Inc., Guntersville, Alabama

3:20 pm **Refreshment Break** (*Cahaba 2-4*)

General Session II (*Inverness*)

Moderator: **Craig Aguillard**, *Winfield United, Ville Platte, Louisiana*

3:40 pm **APMS Update**

John Rodgers
Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Environmental Conservation, Clemson, South Carolina

4:00 pm **AERF Update & Applicator Professionalism**

Carlton Layne
Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation, Marietta, Georgia

4:20 pm **Aquatic Herbicides and Winter: Recipe for Successful Giant Salvinia (*Salvinia molesta*) Control?**

Christopher Mudge
US Army ERDC, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

4:40 pm **An Update on Alabama Power's Aquatic Plant Management Program**

Josh Yerby
Environmental Affairs, Alabama Power Company, Calera, Alabama

5:00 pm **General Sessions Conclude - Announcements**

Dinner on your Own

Wednesday, September 13th - General Sessions

Wednesday's Agenda-at-a-Glance

7:00 am - 8:00 pm	Breakfast (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Meeting Registration (<i>Pre-Function Foyer</i>)
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Exhibits Open (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Session III (<i>Inverness</i>)
10:00 am - 10:20 am	Refreshment Break (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
10:20 am - 12:00 pm	Session IV (<i>Inverness</i>)
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch (<i>On Your Own</i>)
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Session V (<i>Inverness</i>)
3:00 pm - 3:20 pm	Refreshment Break (<i>Cahaba 2-4</i>)
3:20 pm - 5:00 pm	Session VI (<i>Inverness</i>)
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Business Meeting (<i>Inverness</i>)
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting (<i>Inverness</i>)
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Banquet (<i>Shelby</i>)

General Session III (*Inverness*)

Moderator: Gray Turnage- *Geosystems Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi*

- 8:00 am **Classifying Common Aquatic Plants Using Hyperspectral Data to Identify Optimal Spectral Bands for Species Mapping Using a Small Unmanned Aerial System – A Case Study**
Cary McCraine, Sathiskumar Samiappan, Gray Turnage, Lee Hathcock, Haibo Yao, Russel Kincaid, Robert Moorhead and Steve Ashby (*Student Presentation*)
Geosystems Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi
- 8:20 am **Managing Giant Salvinia in Temperate Climates: Is Long-Term Biological Control Feasible?**
Lori Moshman and Rodrigo Diaz (*Student Presentation*)
LSU AgCenter, LSU Department of Entomology, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 8:40 am **Utilizing Remote Sensing Technology for Monitoring Chemically Managed *Salvinia molesta* Populations**
Bradley Sartain and Christopher Mudge (*Student Presentation*)
Louisiana State University, School of Plant, Environmental and Soil Sciences, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 9:00 am **Survey of Select Mississippi Waterbodies for the Presence of Invasive and Nuisance Aquatic Plant Species**
Cory Shoemaker (*Student Presentation*)
Geosystems Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi
- 9:20 am **Phylogenetic Diversity of Invasive Macrophytes in North American Lentic Systems**
Chandler White and Jonathan Fleming (*Student Presentation*)
University of North Alabama, Department of Geography, Florence, Alabama
- 9:40 am **Spatial-Temporal Analysis of Hydrilla (*Hydrilla verticillata*) Infestation in Pickwick Reservoir Alabama**
Randee Miller and Jonathan Fleming (*Student Presentation*)
University of North Alabama, Department of Geography, Florence, Alabama
- 10:00 am **Refreshment Break** (*Cahaba 2-4*)

General Session IV (*Inverness*)

Moderator: Warren Wagner- *Environmental Affairs, Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Georgia*

- 10:20 am **Forecasting Distribution of Hydrilla Under Current and Future Climate Scenarios**
Kevin Cornelius and Jonathan Fleming (*Student Presentation*)
University of North Alabama, Department of Geography, Florence, Alabama

- 10:40 am **Predicting Field Responses of Taste and Odor Producing Algae in a Southeastern U.S. Reservoir to a Sodium Carbonate Peroxyhydrate Algacide Using a Laboratory Exposure-Response Model**
Tyler Geer (Student Presentation)
Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Environmental Conservation
- 11:00 am **Managing *Nitellopsis obtusa* (Starry Stonewort) in the Lake Koronis, MN: A Pilot Project Using an Integrated Approach**
John Rodgers
Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Environmental Conservation, Clemson, South Carolina
- 11:20 am **Flumioxazin as a Potential Pre-emergent Treatment for Submersed Aquatic Weeds in Arkansas Baitfish Ponds**
George Selden
Aquaculture/Fisheries Center, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
- 11:40 am **Management of Nuisance Exotic Aquatic Plant Species in Georgia Power Company's Reservoir: A Review of Survey Methodologies and Treatment Regimes**
Warren Wagner
Environmental Affairs, Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Georgia
- 12:00 pm **Lunch on your own**
- General Session V (Inverness)**
Moderator: Ryan Wersal- Lonza Water Treatment, Alpharetta, Georgia
- 1:30 pm Industry Sponsor/Exhibitor Updates
- 2:15 pm **By The Numbers: Aquatic Plant/Algae Control Client Information Requests for Small Impoundments in Kentucky**
Forrest Wynne
Kentucky State University, Extension Specialist for Aquaculture, Paducah, Kentucky
- 2:30 pm **Phenology of Curlyleaf Pondweed (*Potamogeton crispus*) in the Southeastern US: a Two Year Mesocosm Study**
Gray Turnage
Geosystems Research Institute, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi
- 2:45 pm **Small Pond Management Using Harpoon® Liquid and Granular Aquatic Herbicides in the MidSouth**
Gray Turnage
Starkville, Mississippi
- 3:00 pm **Refreshment Break (Cahaba 2-4)**
- General Session VI (Inverness)**
Moderator: Bradley Sartain- LSU, School of Plant, Environmental and Soil Sciences, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 3:20 pm **What Role Do Aquatic Applicators Play in Preserving and Improving Our Freshwater Supply**
Scott Jackson
Syngenta, Royal Palm Beach, Florida
- 3:40 pm **Translocation of ¹⁴C-Endothall in Eurasian Watermilfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*), Two Hydrilla Biotypes (*Hydrilla verticillata*), Curlyleaf pondweed (*Potamogeton crispus*) and Sago pondweed (*Stuckenia pectinata*)**
Mirella Ortiz, Scott Nissen and Cody Gray; **Jeremy Slade**
UPI, Peyton, Colorado
- 4:00 pm **PROCELLACOR™: A Future Tool for Invasive Aquatic Weed Management**
Ben Willis

SePRO Corporation, Whitakers, North Carolina

4:20 pm

AMP® Activator a New Adjuvant for Aquatic Plant Management

Ryan Wersal

Lonza Water Treatment, Alpharetta, Georgia

4:40 pm

Targeting the "Bad Players": Effective Cyanobacteria Management with Liquid Activated Peroxygen Algaecide/Cyanobactericide

Tom Warmuth, Hugh Dalton and Tom McNabb

BioSafe Systems LLC, Winston Salem, North Carolina

5:00 pm

Annual Business Meeting (*Inverness*)

5:30 pm

Adjourn

5:30 pm

Board of Directors Meeting (*Inverness*)

6:30 pm

Banquet (*Shelby*)



**NEXT YEAR
37th Annual Meeting
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