





# Maumee Watershed Alliance

*partnerships for healthy rivers*

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## **THANK YOU TO OUR SPEAKERS, SPONSORS, AND GUESTS!**

We would like to send a special Thank You! to everyone who helped make Rivers Summit III a success. We were honored to be joined by US Congressman Jim Banks, Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch, Indiana State Representative Dave Heine, NRCS State Conservationist Jerry Raynor, Dr. Chris Winslow, Richard Batiuk, Jeff Reutter, Jason Anspach, Jim Stouffer, Jordan Hoewischer, and Carrie Vollmer-Sanders. THANK YOU!

We would also like to extend a gracious Thank You! to our sponsors, The Waterfield Foundation, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Allen County Soil & Water Conservation District, The Nature Conservancy, The City of Defiance, and Fort Wayne City Utilities.

And to our guests, Rivers Summit III could not have been a success without you! THANK YOU!



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RECORDINGS WILL BE  
AVAILABLE SOON! LOOK  
FOR UPDATES ON OUR  
WEBSITE, FACEBOOK  
PAGE, AND IN NEXT  
MONTH'S NEWSLETTER**

## Rivers Summit III Presenter Highlights



CHRISTOPHER  
WINSLOW, PHD  
DIRECTOR, OHIO SEA  
GRANT COLLEGE  
PROGRAM

Dr. Chris Winslow Coordinates Ohio Sea Grant's Great Lakes research with agencies and universities, as well as assists in research, curriculum development and student recruitment at The Ohio State University's Stone Laboratory.

Earned his doctorate at Bowling Green State University, with research focusing on interaction between the native smallmouth bass and invasive round goby. For the past seven years, Winslow has been a fixture at Stone Laboratory, teaching Aquatic Ecology classes to high school and college students and mentoring college students and their Lake Erie research projects in the lab's Research Experience for Undergraduates Scholarship Program.

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RICHARD BATIUK  
CO-FOUNDER,  
COASTWISE PARTNERS

Rich Batiuk was the associate director for science, analysis, and implementation at the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Chesapeake Bay Program Office located in Annapolis, Maryland. In his 33 years with EPA and working for the Chesapeake Bay Program partnership, he led the integration of science into multi-partner policy-making and collaborative decision-making. Working with academic, agency, advocacy and business experts, Rich was responsible for providing federal, state, regional and local partners and stakeholders with innovative technical and programmatic solutions to complex policy issues facing restoration and protection of the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem and the surrounding 41 million-acre watershed.

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JEFF REUTTER  
BOARD MEMBER,  
FRIENDS OF STONE  
LABORATORY

Dr. Jeff Reutter is the former director of Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Lab. He currently acts as Special Advisor to the office, and continues to participate on regional, national and international advisory groups concerned with protecting Lake Erie. Jeffrey M. Reutter began working on Lake Erie at Stone Laboratory in 1971 and directed 4 programs at The Ohio State University from 1 November 1987 to 31 March 2015: F.T. Stone Laboratory, the Ohio Sea Grant College Program, the Center for Lake Erie Area Research, and the Great Lakes Aquatic Ecosystem Research Consortium, a consortium of top scientists at 12 Ohio colleges. He also served as acting director for all or parts of 1984, 85, and 86. When he retired as Director he accepted a part-time appointment as a Special Advisor for the programs.

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# You Can Help!

The Maumee Watershed Alliance (formerly known as the Tri-State Watershed Alliance) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization utilizing a non-regulatory approach to develop innovative solutions to improve water quality. We work as a regional leader in establishing collaborative, working partnerships to protect and improve the quality of water and health of the watersheds throughout our geographic scope.

Our Board of Directors is composed of private citizens and representatives of government organizations, industries, and advocacy groups. By promoting dialogue among all stakeholders, the MWA creates opportunities for diverse, and at times, competing interests to work together to better protect our natural water resources.

### Mission

The mission of the Maumee Watershed Alliance is to sustain healthy watersheds that support thriving communities and strong economies evidenced by improved water quality with increased recreational and business opportunities.

### Vision

The MWA strives to become a national model of collaboration for clean water, healthy habitat, and economic development through the efforts of a diverse group of stakeholders.

For more information on the Maumee Watershed Alliance visit us online at [www.maumeewatershedalliance.org](http://www.maumeewatershedalliance.org) or email us at [info@maumeewatershedalliance.org](mailto:info@maumeewatershedalliance.org).

Collaborating Watershed Organizations of the Maumee Watershed Alliance include

- Friends of Cedar Creek
- St. Joseph River Watershed Initiative
- Save Maumee Grassroots Organization
- Upper Maumee Watershed Partnership



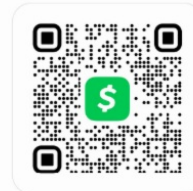
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