Monday, January 22 - Tuesday, January 23

1:00 Drainage Summit

Drainage Summit:
Day 1: Drainage Research, Landowner Perspective, and Drainage Trends
Day 2: Drainage Policy, Guidance Rules, and Regulations

Summit Goal: To share and provide information about drainage issues in the Red River Basin.
Summit Objective: To better inform decision makers at all levels as they make decisions about drainage issues.

Tuesday, January 23

1:00 Official Start to Conference: Welcome & Introductions
Curt Johannsen, RRBC Chair
Conference At A Glance
Ted Preister, RRBC Executive Director
Greetings From Winnipeg, Manitoba

1:30 Keynote Speaker: Gordon Goldsborough

*additional information on inside page

2:30 Break and Exhibits

3:00 Lightning Talk Success Stories:
The Lightning Talk session allows Basin partner organizations and residents to highlight specific success stories in a 5 minute presentation. The topics all relate to the goal areas in the RRBC Natural Resources Framework Plan (NRFP).

4:00 Finding Balance: Working Together for Lake Winnipeg

5:00 Social and Exhibits
7:00 Evening Forum

Lead by Chief Jerry Daniels from Southern Chiefs Organization

Wednesday, January 24

7:00 Breakfast

8:00 Finding Balance: Drainage Water Management
This session will summarize the drainage workshop. We will also hear from Ag leaders and landowners throughout the Red River Basin.
Chad Engels, Moore Engineering Inc.
Commissioner Doug Goehring, North Dakota Department of Agriculture (invited)
Commissioner Dave Frederickson, Minnesota Department of Agriculture
Minister Ralph Eichler, Manitoba Agriculture (invited)
Nordick Family Farms, MN Discovery Farms

9:45 Break and Exhibits

10:15 Finding Balance: Water Quality
Water Quality Strategic Plan for the RRB: RRBC and Partners
Nutrient Management: Lake Winnipeg, International Border, Red River and Tributaries
Elaine Page, MB Sustainable Development; Mike Ell, ND Department of Health; Jim Ziegler, MN Pollution Control Agency (invited)

What are we doing about it? Commissioner John Linc Stine, MN Pollution Control Agency; Dave Glatt, Chief of ND Department of Health (invited); Honourable Rochelle Squires, Minister of Manitoba Sustainable Development

12:00 Lunch

**Program Subject to Change**
Wednesday, January 24

12:00 Lunch

12:30 Finding Balance: Invitations to Governors and Premier:
  State of North Dakota: Governor Doug Burgum (invited)
  State of Minnesota: Governor Mark Dayton (invited)

1:30 Break Out Sessions

Session 1: Models/Tools
  ▪ Red River of the North Retention Study:
    Zach Herrmann, Houston Engineering/USACE
  ▪ Urban and Rural Stormwater Models:
    Olivia Sparrow, EOR
  ▪ RCPP Planning for Flood Damage Reduction and Natural Resource Enhancement:
    Nate Dalager, HDR Inc.

Session 2: Agriculture in the Basin:
  ▪ Transforming Drainage Project:
    Jeppe Kjaersgaard, MN Department of Agriculture
  ▪ Drainage Water Recycling:
    Xinhua Gia, North Dakota State University
  ▪ Manitoba Agricultural Water Management Association:

Session 3: Lake Winnipeg
  ▪ Netley Marsh Restoration/Red River Dredging:
    Richard Grosshans, International Institute for Sustainable Development
  ▪ Ice Jam Flood Forecasting System:
    Karl-Erich Lindenschmidt, Global Institute for Water Security

2:45 Break and Exhibits

3:15 A New Normal in Water Management:
  This session will offer a look at the evolution of evaluating, planning and implementing multi-purpose projects related to the NRFP goal areas. And how we can go about achieving maximum benefits for each project.
  Zach Herrmann, Houston Engineering
  Ron Harnack, Red River Watershed Management Board
  Garland Erbele, ND State Water Commission
  Joe Magner, University of Minnesota
  Hank Venema, International Institute for Sustainable Development

5:30 Social and Exhibits

6:30 Banquet/Awards
  Canada’s Consul General in Minneapolis (invited)
  Anthony Pagliai, Consul & Principal Office for the U.S. Consulate in Winnipeg (invited)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER - Gordon Goldsborough
"The Muck Stops Here: Watershed Runoff, River Dredging, Wetland Restoration, and the Health of Lake Winnipeg"

BIOGRAPHY ~ Dr. Gordon Goldsborough
Associate Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Manitoba
Gordon Goldsborough is a member of the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Manitoba where he studies the impacts of human activities and invasive species on wetlands and lakes. Much of his research has focused on coastal wetlands of Manitoba's large lakes, especially Delta Marsh and Netley-Libau Marsh. He is also Chair of the Manitoba Water Council, the senior advisory body to the Minister of Sustainable Development.
Thursday, January 25

8:00 Breakfast
Annual Organization Update

9:00 Red River Basin Conditions Forecast:
Greg Gust, National Weather Service
Climate: John Pomeroy, Canada

9:45 Red River Valley Water Supply:
Duane DeKrey, Garrison Diversion
Conservancy District
Manitoba Drought Strategy:
Carly Delavau, Manitoba Sustainable
Development

10:30 Break and Exhibits

11:00 FM Diversion Update

11:30 Final Lunch
International Red River Board
International Joint Commission
Grand Prize Drawing

1:00 Conference Concludes

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Celebrating Successes in the Red River Basin:
Contributions to the Red River Natural Resources Framework Plan

The Success Stories Initiative stemmed from the RRBC’s successful efforts in gathering Resolutions of Support from over 200 entities in the Red River Basin. The Natural Resources Framework Plan (NRFP) has garnered significant support over the past several years and the next step continues to be understanding and celebrating the many projects and programs that have been completed, are underway, or are planned, that contribute to the thirteen NRFP Goals.

If you would like to have your project and/or program recognized at the 2018 conference, please email your submission to Leah Thvedt at leah@redriverbasincommission.org. Additional information will need to be submitted by December 15, 2017 for the Success Stories booklet and consideration for Lightning Talk Session on Tuesday, January 23, 2018. For additional information, please visit our website at: www.redriverbasincommission.org
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