



## ASBPA Coastal Summit 2024

### “Shaping Coastal Futures: Implementing Science-Based Resilience Policies”

March 26-28, 2024

NACo Building, 660 N. Capitol Street NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC

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#### AGENDA

#### MARCH 26

**MODERATOR Jack Koban, Coastal Summit Co-Chair**

- 1:00pm Welcome by Nicole Elko, ASBPA Executive Director
- 1:10pm Administration Infrastructure Implementation Update, Chair Brenda Mallory, White House Council on Environmental Quality
- 1:30pm Major General William H. (Butch) Graham, DCG, Civil and Emergency Operations, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- 2:00pm U.S. Representative Troy Carter, 2nd District, LA (pre-recorded)  
Trailer, *Unintended Consequences*: Documentary produced by Jefferson Parish, LA
- 2:15pm Working in Washington: Perspectives on the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress by Julie Minerva, Carpi & Clay
- 2:45pm Break
- 3:15pm USACE Planning and Investigations Briefing by Amy Frantz, Planning and Policy, Headquarters, USACE
- 3:40pm Panel - Is your state leaving coastal restoration money on the table? **RISEE Act**  
Kara Allen, Senior Energy and Climate Advisor, Energy Lead for the U.S. Senate Budget Committee, Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, RI  
Pierson Sotecklein, Consultant for The Pew Charitable Trusts, Partner with Pioneer Public Affairs  
Neal McMillin, Director of Federal Affairs, Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources, SHORES Coalition
- 4:40pm ASBPA Government Affairs and Science & Technology Updates  
Susan Brodeur, ASBPA Government Affairs Chair, and Nick Brown, ASBPA Science & Technology Committee Co-Chair
- 5:00pm ASBPA 2023 Best Restored Beach Award Presentations, Nicole Elko  
Foss Park District, North Chicago, Illinois; City of Boca Raton, City of Deerfield Beach, and Town of Hillsboro Beach, Florida Joint Nourishment Project; and Central Reach Reimbursement Project, Holden Beach, North Carolina
- 5:30pm Happy Hour Social Mixer sponsored by Galveston Island Park Board, TX



**MARCH 27**

**MODERATOR Gary Jones, ASBPA President**

- 8:15am Welcome by Gary Jones, ASBPA President and Director, County of Los Angeles, Department of Beaches and Harbors
- 8:20am Actionable Environmental Justice for Coastal Practitioners by Natalie Cross, Coastal States Organization (CSO) NOAA Coastal Management Fellow
- 8:40am Panel: Synergies in non-profit water resources missions  
Moderator: Brad Pickel, Managing Director, ASBPA  
Julie Ufner, President & CEO, National Waterways Conference  
Meg Galloway, Senior Policy Advisor, Association of State Floodplain Managers  
Tom Smith, Executive Director, American Society of Civil Engineers  
Glenn Ledet, Executive Director, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, LA
- 9:40 am Climate Ready Coasts and Communities: NOAA's Historic Investments Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act, Jessica Grannis, NOAA Senior Advisor, Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs
- 10:10am Networking Break
- 10:30am Hill Briefing on Authorizations & Appropriations (WRDA and the subsequent appropriations)  
Alexa Williams, Minority Staff for House of Representatives Transportation & Infrastructure Committee  
Laura Powell, Senate Majority Staff Appropriations Committee
- 11:00am Panel: Water Resources Priorities from Congressional staffers  
Moderator: Cheyenne Twilley, College of Charleston, ASBPA Government Affairs Intern  
Haddon Antonucci, Policy Director, Office of U.S. Congressman Jeff Van Drew, NJ;  
Ben Jackson, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of U.S. Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher, TX;  
Amanda Shafer, Legislative Assistant, Office of U.S. Congressman Mike Levin, CA
- 11:50 am ASBPA Advocacy Day 101 for Beaches and Shores on Capitol Hill  
Emily Patroliia, Founder & CEO, ESP Advisors
- Adjourn to Capitol Hill for ASBPA Advocacy Day
- 4:00pm Hill Briefings on WRDA and Commerce, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room G-11  
Moderators: Nicole Elko, Executive Director, ASBPA and Derek Brockbank, Executive Director, Coastal States Organization  
Tim Petty, Ph.D., Senior Professional Majority Staff for House of Representatives Transportation & Infrastructure Committee  
Nicole Comisky, Army Corps Detailee, Majority Staff for Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works  
Dana Rollison, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation  
Rachel Gentile, House of Representatives Committee on Natural Resources



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5:00pm Coastal Celebration on Capitol Hill co-hosted with Coastal States Organization, Hart Senate Office Building, Room 902

**MARCH 28**

**MODERATOR Nicole Elko, ASBPA Executive Director**

8:15am Welcome and Report outs from Congressional and Agency Visits, Nicole Elko & Cheyenne Twilley

8:30am Group Discussion: ASBPA advocacy to advance identified needs

8:50am Joseph Sutkowi, Chief Waterfront Design Officer, Waterfront Alliance

9:10 am Collin O'Mara, President & CEO, National Wildlife Federation

9:30 am Panel: National Needs for Living Shorelines and Nature-Based Restoration Projects

Moderator: Todd Bridges, Professor of Practice, Resilient and Sustainable Systems; and Associate Director for Public-Private Partnerships, Institute for Resilient Infrastructure Systems, College of Engineering, University of Georgia

Jeff King, National Lead and Program Manager, USACE Engineering With Nature® Program

Daniel Hayden, President & CEO, Restore America's Estuaries

Jonathan Miller, Research Associate Professor, Stevens Institute of Technology;

Director, New Jersey Coastal Protection Technical Assistance Service

Luce Bassetti, Americas Coastal Resilience Director, Jacobs

10:30 am Networking Break

11:00am Panel: Visionary Coastal Policy: Strategic Realignment for Shore & Beach Preservation

Moderator: Ken Willson, Coastal Protection & Engineering

Andrew MacInnes, National Nonstructural Committee, New Orleans District, USACE

Braxton Davis, Executive Director, North Carolina Coastal Federation

Rob Young, Director, Program for the Study of Developed Shorelines, Professor, Western Carolina University

Kate Huckelbridge, Executive Director, California Coastal Commission

12:00pm ASBPA National Coastal Conference Preview (August 26-29, 2024, Galveston, TX)  
Co-chairs Kristina Boburka, Sheryl Rozier (for Kimberly Danesi), and Cris Weber

12:15pm Adjourn