



## CALL FOR SPEAKERS AND EXHIBITORS

The 2017 Annual Conference of  
The Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management  
Wednesday and Thursday, March 8-9, 2017  
Crowne Plaza Hotel  
3000 South Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, Illinois

**PRESENTATIONS:** IAFSM invites speakers from municipal, public and private sectors to present information on floodplain and stormwater management topics.

The 2017 IAFSM Annual Conference will provide focused/in-depth education and training in the principle committee disciplines of IAFSM including *Floodplain Management, Stormwater Management, Mitigation, Wetlands, CRS, and Legislation*.

A portion of the 2017 Conference Breakout Sessions will be dedicated to specific core topics developed by IAFSM Technical Committees, potentially based on presentation abstracts submitted by the membership. For example, the Stormwater Committee might dedicate an entire session to training or issues on a specific kind of BMP measure. Remaining Conference Breakout Sessions will be dedicated to topics completely based on presentation abstracts submitted by the membership as part of this Call for Speakers.

IAFSM will make the conference presentations publicly available on the IAFSM website after the conference.

All attendees including speakers are expected to pay the conference registration fee. IAFSM waives conference registration fees for Lifetime Achievement Award Winners.

### **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:**

Submit abstracts online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017-IAFSM>

**Due: October 31, 2016.**

Presenters will be notified of their acceptance or denial by Dec. 19, 2016.

**Vote for Best Presentation:** The best presentation(s), as voted on by attendees, will be acknowledged and awarded.

### **EXHIBITORS:**

The link to register as an exhibitor is: <https://www.123signup.com/event?id=nmrds>

If you are an IAFSM member, you will soon receive an exhibitor registration form by e-mail. If you are not a member and wish to ensure that you receive a form, please e-mail Sarah Harbaugh, Executive Secretary ([IAFSM@illinoisfloods.org](mailto:IAFSM@illinoisfloods.org)), and indicate that you are interested in exhibiting at the 2017 conference. The form will also be posted on our website ([www.illinoisfloods.org](http://www.illinoisfloods.org)).

	<b>On or before February 5</b>	<b>After February 5, before Feb 19</b>
Exhibitor Fee	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$850</b>

Exhibits will be on display **Wednesday only**. All breaks and the evening social hour will be in or adjacent to the exhibit area.

**Is there a vendor that you would like to see as an exhibitor at our conference?** Please share the above information and link for exhibitor registration with them.

**TOURS:** Does your community have a floodplain, stormwater, mitigation, or wetland project in the vicinity of the conference hotel that you would like to show to other floodplain managers? IAFSM is considering offering Technical Field Tours again, if enough tour sites are submitted to make up a tour. **Please submit nominations for potential tour sites.**

**MOBILE APP:** The CrowdCompass mobile app will be used again this year, providing smart content and increased engagement opportunities to enhance your conference experience.

**Event URL:** <https://crowd.cc/iafsm-2017> **App Download URL:** <https://crowd.cc/s/ntAo>



**CERTIFICATION EXAM:** The ASFPM Certified Floodplain Manager exam will be offered the evening of March 7, 2017. Check the IAFSM website ([www.illinoisfloods.org](http://www.illinoisfloods.org)) for additional information and to apply for entrance to the exam.

**LOGISTICS:**

The conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, Illinois. Lodging is available at the special conference rate of \$125. A limited number of rooms are available at the state government rate with government ID.

Although it is understood that the area around the conference hotel has a variety of hotels for you to choose from, the IAFSM has made a financial commitment to the Crowne Plaza Hotel as the conference venue. Please support IAFSM by making the **Crowne Plaza Hotel** your first choice for overnight stay, in order to help fill our block. (Group Code: D0Z, Corporate ID IATA# 99801505)

Space is limited, especially for the rooms at the state government rate. To reserve your room at the special conference rate of \$125, use the link below or call the hotel front desk at 217-529-7777 and note that your reservation is in association with the Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management. To reserve your room at the state government rate while those rooms are available, do not use the link below; you will need to call and request to book at the state rate.

A full conference brochure with a program will be distributed in January 2017.

**Use this link to book your stay at the special conference rate:** <http://tinyurl.com/iafsm-2017>