



# Rights-of-Way as Habitat Working Group

Thursday, July 23, 2015 9am - 2pm CDT

Hosted by Energy Resources Center at University of Illinois-Chicago  
UIC Forum, 725 W Roosevelt Road, Chicago, IL

## MEETING AGENDA

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| 9:00 - 9:30am     | <b>Coffee Reception</b>  |
| 9:30 - 9:50am     | <b>Welcome/Introduction</b><br><i>Dr. Peter Nelson, UIC College of Engineering</i><br><i>Dr. Steffen Mueller, Energy Resources Center</i><br><i>Iris Caldwell, Energy Resources Center</i> |
| 9:50 - 10:30am    | <b>Opportunities for Pollinators Along Rights-of-Way</b><br><i>Jennifer Hopwood, The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation</i>  |
| 10:30 - 10:50am   | <b>Success Stories from Iowa's Roadways</b><br><i>Joy Williams, Iowa Department of Transportation</i>  |
| Break             |  |
| 11:00 - 11:20am   | <b>First Steps for Developing a Habitat Program</b><br><i>Sara Barnas, Wildlife Habitat Council</i>  |
| 11:20 - 11:40am   | <b>Options for Integrated Vegetation Management</b><br><i>Rick Johnstone, IVM Partners, Inc.</i>   |
| 11:40am - 12:00pm | <b>Federal Pollinator Initiatives / Funding Opportunities</b><br><i>Donita Cotter and Michael Gale, U.S. Fish &amp; Wildlife Service</i>   |
| 12:00 - 1:30pm    | <b>Working Lunch: Small Group Discussions</b>  |
| 1:30 - 2:00pm     | <b>Small Group Recap &amp; Closing Remarks</b><br><i>Kelsey Musich, Illinois Tollway</i>   |