with clients, Ashlyn strives to build authentic relationships and boost internal knowledge and capacity to support cross-functional cooperation and lasting changes. She's led nature due diligence projects with Fortune 500 companies using the TNFD Locate-Evaluate-Assess-Prepare (LEAP) framework to identify priorities across global value chains. With her multidisciplinary background in business and policy, she is energized by opportunities to build innovative partnerships that advance more sustainable Anderson, Ashlyn solutions in the world. Ashlyn is also a big proponent of animal rights, often Stantec volunteering at farm animal sanctuaries or advocating for plant-based food systems as a climate solution. Steve Barker possesses over 25 years of specialized experience in environmental permitting, ecological restoration, and conservation planning. He has demonstrated expertise in managing complex environmental projects and leading teams focused on compliance with environmental regulations, including wetland permitting, protected species management at state and federal levels, stormwater and erosion control, among other natural resource regulations. Currently, he serves as the Environmental Permitting Manager at NiSource, Inc., one of the largest fully regulated utility companies in the United States. His responsibilities encompass overseeing permitting processes for large-scale linear construction projects, renewable energy development and generation initiatives, and environmental remediation efforts. Additionally, he manages NiSource's biodiversity and Monarch CCAA Barker, Steve programs and directs numerous conservation and pollinator habitat Nisource restoration projects across the company's service territory. Ashley Bennett is a technical lead for transmission and distribution (T&D) environmental solutions at the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI). Dr. Bennett has her PhD in entomology and prior to joining EPRI studied native plant and pollinator interactions. Her research areas of focus at EPRI include: vegetation management strategies for cost reductions and biodiversity conservation on rights-of-way (ROWs), pollinator conservation on utility lands, UAV and satellite inspection techniques, and promoting the use and establishment of native seed mixes on utility lands such as ROW and solar facilities. Dr. Bennett's research during her graduate and post-graduate work focused on understanding how local site design and landscape composition affected the ability of beneficial insects to perform ecosystem services such as pest suppression and pollination. In particular, she has investigated native plant and pollinator interactions as well as the use of drones to improve pest monitoring in urban and agricultural landscapes. **EPRI** With more than 30 years of experience in the environmental field, Paola has worked on a range of biodiversity and sustainability issues. She focuses on identifying real-world sustainability solutions and integrating science with planning. She consults domestically and internationally on environmental issues including species conservation, sustainability, nature-based solutions, environmental compliance, biodiversity analyses, natural resource valuation, water management, and protected area research. Paola has published and presented on these topics and has been a reviewer for the journals Conservation Biology and Environmental Management. Additionally, she worked for the Wildlife Conservation Society and was a Peace Corps volunteer in Thailand. Born in Rome, she speaks Italian and English fluently and is conversant in Spanish, Thai, and Lao. When she isn't working on environmental efforts, Paola loves adventurous Bernazzani, Paola cooking and travel, chilling with her two dogs, and spending time with her Stantec husband and two grown kids. Josiane is a seasoned expert with two decades of experience at the nexus of business and biodiversity. She has spearheaded the development of hundreds of conservation initiatives on private lands across ten countries. Her expertise spans the quantification of nature-related impacts, change management in dynamic environments, and integration of climate and

community goals within nature transition plans. In her current role at Freeport-McMoRan, Josiane leads the global nature strategy and drives engagement with suppliers, trade associations, stakeholders, and peers across various sectors to catalyze timely nature actions. Previously, Josiane served as COO and Innovation Lead at Tandem Global. She is a dedicated member of the Arizona Sustainability Alliance's board of directors, chairs the ICMM Nature Working Group, and also serves as a Guidance Committee member to the US, Canada, and Mexico Biodiversity and Climate Change

Assessment. Josiane holds a BSc in Biological Sciences from the Université du

Québec à Montréal and an MBA from the University of Aberdeen in Scotland.

Fallon is a Master Forester, Utility Arborist and was most recently responsible for leading vegetation management programs across several upper Midwest

states on behalf of Xcel Energy. He's also an adjunct professor at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, where he facilitates the <u>Utility</u> <u>Vegetation Management Certificate Program</u> – a combined effort of the

Utility Arborist Association and the Utility Vegetation Management

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Association. Fallon has an undergraduate degree in Urban & Community Forestry and a Master's degree in Forestry both from the University of Minnesota-St. Paul. He's an Eagle Scout who has also been honored with several additional prestigious awards from Scouts BSA, (The Boy Scouts of

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A Louisiana native with a B.S. in Biology from Nichols State University and over 30 years of Oil and Gas Industry experience. Twenty-six of those years working for Shell Midstream holding positions from Offshore Operator, HSSE Support to Operations Supervisor. His current role as Shell Midstream US Advocacy and Engagement Specialist, has allowed him to use his love for the environment to advocate a need for change in operating and maintenance

practices. Using conservation and nature-based solutions

two daughters, and the family's two dogs. For

Resource Management. He has worked in the

President of Utility Arborist Association

• State of Georgia Registered Forester

vegetation management industry with Georgia Power.

State of Georgia Registered Pesticide Applicator

Matt holds the following professional credentials/qualifications:

International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist

International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) TRAQ Credential

for utility corridors, he enjoys fishing, kayaking, beekeeping,

gardening, winemaking, and being silly with his kids.

for daily run and maintain work. He also serves a chair for American

Petroleum Institute's Conservation Taskforce. This group is leading industry by making changes to their right of way mowing practices. Showing positive biodiversity impact while continuing to maintain a safe and reliable pipeline

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leisure, he enjoys sports with his family, bird hunting with the family dogs, and salt-water fishing. Matt holds a BSFR from the University of Georgia in Forest

vegetation management industry for 28 years. He has 22 years in the utility

Certified Utility Vegetation Management Professional, Utility Arborist

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Jason Grossman is the Manager of Vegetation Management for Liberty – Central, where he leads innovative strategies that balance reliability, environmental stewardship, and cutting-edge technology. With nearly two decades in utility forestry, he has been at the forefront of integrating data analytics, ecological principles, and modern tools to improve vegetation management programs. Jason holds a degree in agricultural science and natural resource management from Oklahoma State University and is passionate about pushing the industry forward through collaboration and continuous improvement. When he's not developing forward-thinking solutions

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including studies of factors affecting savanna biodiversity, and landscape evaluations of connectivity. He also is involved in large scale conservation

Kari Harris is Sr Manager, Environmental Assessment for CN's US and Western

experience across the US, and learning more about the Canadian regulatory

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joining CN in 2012, Kari worked as a consultant in the Chicago area where

she developed her niche for Clean Water Act permitting and compliance.

Brandon Hughson, General Manager at ProtecTerra LLC has been in the Green Industry and working with trees for more than 17 years and has been an active member of the Utility Arborist Association (UAA) since 2012.

Brandon has participated and been active on numerous UAA committees, served as a Director on the UAA Board of Directors and as the UAA Board President. In 2016 Brandon was awarded the Rising Star Award from the UAA.

In addition, Brandon also serves on the Board of Directors for Saluting

Branches, a green industry 501c3 non-profit. Brandon is also an ISA Certified

Mr. Kline has more than 35 years of professional experience in the public, private, and non-profit sectors helping organizations collaborate and find positive solutions on energy, environmental, agriculture, and sustainability issues. Chris serves as a Development Manager with Doral Renewables which

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Doral's projects as well as developing projects in Indiana. In his previous roles

is headquartered in Philadelphia. Specializing in solar and storage

as a senior consultant with global engineering and consulting firms, Chris supported corporate, institutional, and government clients with the development and execution of strategic sustainability programs. He has managed several multi-million-dollar federal contracts and consulted

extensively in the federal sector. Prior to his consulting career, he was a

investigative hearings in the energy, environment, and nuclear areas. He also managed more than 50 audits, investigations, and reviews for the committee. Chris is married with 4 grown children. He and his wife, Kathleen,

Brian Kortum has worked for over 20 years in environmental permitting at NiSource. As Director of NiSource's Environmental Permitting Program, Brian is responsible for managing and providing strategic direction to all aspects of natural resource permitting and construction compliance for natural gas and

In addition to the company's environmental compliance, Brian oversaw

development of NiSource's Conservation Framework and the implementation of their Integrated Vegetation Management strategy. Brian also instrumental as an industry representative in the development of the National Monarch

Carolyn G. Mahan, professor of biology and environmental studies at Penn State, holds a PhD in Wildlife Science from Penn State and a BS (Natural

Conservation Biology, Journal of Mammalogy, and PLOS One among others.

Pennsylvania Center for Private Forests, and is past-president of Pennsylvania

Manager, Vegetation Management & Maintenance Programs at TC Energy, is an ISA. Certified Arborist® with 16 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. Over the course of his career, Ronan has held roles in GIS, field operations, and vegetation management. For the past 11 years at TC

Energy, he has contributed to the development and implementation of the company's centralized vegetation management program. Currently, Ronan and his team oversee a wide range of vegetation management, inspection, and maintenance activities across TC Energy's 31,000-mile U.S. natural gas

Ellie Murphy is an environmental engineer with over ten years of experience in

midstream component of Marathon Petroleum, she helps lead sustainability initiatives related to methane reduction, ecological impacts, and water reuse

directed regenerative agriculture pilots and GHG accounting projects across

Xavier University, as well as a bachelor's in agricultural engineering from Ohio

oilseed and grain supply chains. Ellie holds master's degrees in applied economics from Ohio State University and business administration from

Amy has 27+ years' experience in Environmental Project Management – currently working at Meta as a Senior Environmental Manager and Subject

environmental assessments and permitting for data centers, she developed Meta's Data Center Biodiversity Program, working with internal and external partners to maximize native habitat restoration in our underutilized campus

pollution prevention analysis and environmental compliance studies. She also has experience with military installation master planning, renewable energy systems, and conflict negotiation and facilitation. Amy serves her local

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electric utility vegetation management experience and is a Certified Arborist, Utility Specialist, and a New York Certified Pesticide Applicator. Mr. Payne serves as Chairperson of the New York Category Six Pesticide Recertification Training Committee, a member of the Environmental Energy Alliance of New

Vegetation Management Task Force Executive Committee, and past Chair of

Randy, the Director of the GeoSpatial Mapping, Applications, and Research Center (GeoMARC), earned a B.S. in Geology, an M.S. in Geoscience, and a Ph.D. in Physical Geography with and emphasis in remote sensing and digital image processing. Just out of graduate school in 1988, Randy accepted a position at NASA's Space Remote Sensing Center (SRSC) as the agricultural and environmental program manager. Within two years, Randy rose to the

Scientist, overseeing all satellite and airborne remote sensing applications

/computer image processing and geospatial modeling. In 1997, Randy formed the Laboratory for Applied Spatial Analysis (LASA), which was approved as an

IBHE research center in 2021 (now referred to as GeoMARC). As one of SIUE

premier research centers, GeoMARC's primary focus over the past 28 years has been heavily weighted toward the use of geospatial technologies for addressing issues facing the agricultural and environmental communities.

within SRSC. In 1995, Randy accepted a faculty/research position at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE). While at SIUE Randy has taught a variety of courses related to earth processes (soils, geomorphology,

geology), but his primary teaching area focused on remote sensing

Josh was in the U.S. Army for nearly 11 years, has an B.S. and M.S. in

Geography with GIS and Remote Sensing background, and he is currently the Senior Scientist at the GeoSpatial Mapping, Applications, and Research Center (GeoMARC) on Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE)

Campus. Josh has 11 years of experience working with academic institutions,

agencies, and private industry partners on GIS and remote sensing related topics. He has managed and worked on a variety of different geospatial

research projects, with his main areas of expertise being mapping,

monitoring, and characterizing agricultural and grassland environments with various remote sensing data platforms.

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Authority and is responsible for all vegetation management activities throughout the Authority's transmission system. He has over 40 years of

York's Land-use Subcommittee, EPRI ROW Steering Committee, CEATI

steering committees for the University of South Alabama and Alabama

Coastal Foundation Gulf Coast Sustainability Summit.

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Matter Expert for Biodiversity and Land Management. While leading

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midstream oil and gas and oilseed refining operations. At MPLX, the

across natural gas infrastructure development. Previously, she

Resources Management Engineering) from the University of

Connecticut. Research interests include biodiversity in threatened ecosystems, effects of human-modified landscapes on wildlife, and behavioral ecology of mammals. Her work has been published in

Dr. Mahan served on the boards of Pennsylvania Wildlife Society,

Biological Survey. She currently serves on Governor Shapiro's Advisory

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professional staff member with the U.S. Senate Committee of Governmental Affairs where he planned, organized, and staffed more than 20 oversight and

Canada operations. Kari has over 30 years of experience specializing in wetland, waters and stormwater regulations. With extensive project

environment, Kari has considerable understanding in navigating the regulatory framework of environmental permitting and the associated intricacies of design solutions that can translate to practical field applications. More recently, Kari is engaged with supporting the CN Biodiversity program and implementing the TNFD framework into how CN tracks metrics of its daily operations and identifying potential opportunities to

offset those impacts. She is a graduate of Northern Illinois

Lakes Science Center, Lake Michigan Ecological Research Station in

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climate and nature in alignment with the recommendations of the Task Force on Nature-Related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) and requirements under the European Union's Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive. In her work

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responsible for managing all environmental aspects of the company's operations. In addition, she oversees the company's stewardship and biodiversity programs, including ComEd's prairie and pollinator program. Prior to this role, Sara was responsible for managing environmental

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Dan Salas is the Director of the Sustainable Landscapes Program at the UIC's Energy Resources Center where he and the team work on integration of biodiversity and infrastructure. The program facilitates to the Rights-of-Way as Habitat Working Group, which leads initiatives such as a nationwide

transportation lands, and a companion at-risk bumble bee conservation agreement. Dan oversees research and tool development projects

supporting sustainability and habitat conservation. Dan is a certified Senior Ecologist by the Ecological Society of America and a decision analyst

Sara Sankowich is the Director of Sustainability and Shared Services at Unitil where she oversees the development and implementation of the company's sustainability initiatives and reporting, the vegetation management program, and the company's fleet and facilities and procurement departments. She has been working in the utility field for 22 years. Sara has a BS in Forest and Natural Resource Management from the State University of NY, College of Environmental Science and Forestry. She serves on many industry committees and is committed to advancing corporate social responsibility, environmental stewardship, diversity, equity and inclusion, and workforce development and retention. She is the chair of the Board of Governors of the Utility Vegetation

Management Professional Development Program partnered with the University of Wisconsin. She was president of both the Utility Arborist

Association in 2018, and the New England Chapter of the International

Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI). She holds a Ph.D. in Biology from

Connecticut College. Her educational training and professional expertise

wildlife interactions and conservation of endangered species. She currently provides research support to both EPRI's Endangered & At-Risk Species(P195) and Ecosystem Risk and Resilience (P258) programs. Her thesis work was a

Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and focused on the wildlife-based ecotourism industry in Panama and examining the ramifications of the resulting human-wildlife interactions, directed through the lens of animal behavior, and with the aim of establishing more effective, non-invasive conservation methodology. She has also previously worked at Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratories, the Franklin Park Zoo, California Wildlife

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Norman Shafto is a Sustainability Technical Leader at EPRI where he conducts research related to organizational sustainability, energy utility benchmarking metrics, and biodiversity, among other topics. Prior to joining EPRI, Norman was a Sustainability Analyst at the New York Power Authority, where he supported the implementation of their first sustainability plan. Specific focus areas included research and development of pollinator habitat, forestry, and water efficiency projects across New York State. Prior to NYPA, Norman was a Program Management Analyst at National Grid

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transformation project. Norman received a Bachelor of Arts in Sustainable Development and a Master of Public Administration in Environmental Science

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2003, Mr. Sharpe joined the Wyoming Game & Fish Department as a forensic biologist. In 2005, he moved back to his home state to attend the Ohio Division of Wildlife Officer Academy. Upon graduating, Mr. Sharpe was assigned to Logan County as a State Wildlife Officer, beginning a series of roles with increasing responsibility within the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. He went on to become the district preserve manager with the Natural Areas & Preserves Program, then was named district manager with

the Parks & Watercraft Division where he managed Northwest Ohio

(including Lake Erie). Mr. Sharpe was then appointed as the assistant chief of the Division of Wildlife where he oversaw statewide operations, fish management, and wildlife management sections. He then joined MPL in 2020 as a field environmental professional supporting operations in Ohio

and Michigan. In 2022, Mr. Sharpe was named to his current position as

partnerships and leads vegetation management analysis, plan development, and plan execution activities across MPL-owned and -operated land in 26 states. Mr. Sharpe holds a Bachelor of Science degree in environmental

MPL's sustainable landscapes coordinator. In this role, he manages

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Tony Tipton, Leader of Land Services and Vegetation Management at

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Victoria Wittig has 20 years of experience in the environmental field including roles in academic, science-policy, municipal, international

the region's waterways, environment and communities.

Amanda Young is a Senior Environmental Engineer at Toyota Motor

robust biodiversity program as well as maintaining environmental

Manufacturing, West Virginia. She is responsible for Toyota West Viriginia's

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Prior to her role at Toyota, Young has worked in West Virginia managing environmental programs at multiple sites. She is very passionate about community outreach and environmental stewardship, as well as providing opportunities for underserved schools in her area. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources and Recreation Management from Marshall University as well as a Master of Science in Environmental Science

Mary Youpel is a conservation leader working at the intersection of sustainability, industry operations, and environmental impact. At the

health access, and cross-sector collaboration.

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American Petroleum Institute, she leads initiatives that embed conservation into industry practices, building partnerships across government, academia, and NGOs. A former NOAA Corps officer, Mary supported oceanographic research throughout the Atlantic and later advised Congress on coastal and environmental policy. She holds a B.S. in Natural Resources, dual master's degrees in Oceanography and Public Administration from LSU, and an MBA from UPenn Wharton. Mary is also the Founder and Executive Director of the Veterans Multiple Sclerosis Alliance, a nonprofit supporting veterans with MS. Her work reflects a deep commitment to environmental resilience, equitable

development and non-profit organizations. Victoria earned her Bachelor's in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences from the University of Illinois followed by a Ph.D. also from the U of I. Her research examined how rising greenhouse gases affect the growth and productivity of trees. Victoria now serves as the Ambassador for the Northwest Indiana Urban Waters Federal Partnership where she works to connect partners to funding resources, technical support and collaborative opportunities to improve the health of

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