

The Monarchs and More Network Meeting



Event Agenda

All times are CST.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

1:00PM-5:00PM

[Previous Registration Required] Field Trip

Participants could register for either an on-site tour of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center from 3:30 - 5:00 or an off-site tour of different cultural and natural pollinator habitat sites around Austin from 1:00 - 5:00.

5:00PM-7:00PM

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center

Welcome Reception

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

All events will take place at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

8:00AM-9:00AM

Registration

Courtyard

9:55AM-11:15AM

Opening remarks

Will Meeks, USFWS

9:00AM-9:55AM

Welcoming Remarks

Auditorium

9:00AM-9:15AM

Welcome from Lady Bird
Johnson Wildflower Center
Lee Clippard

9:15AM-9:55AM

Host Opening Remarks
Wendy Caldwell, MJV
Matt Mulica, FFM
Iris Caldwell, ROWHWG

Panel Presentation

Interagency Pollinator
Collaboration

Nicole Alt, USFWS

Stephanie Hertz, DOD

Mike Rizo, USFS

Juan Botero, DOE

Gillian O'Doherty, USDOT/FHWA

Ed Henry, NRCS

Casey Burns, BLM

Auditorium

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 (cont.)

All events will take place at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

11:15AM-11:30AM
BREAK

11:30AM-11:45AM
Guest Speaker
Wayne Thogmartin, USGS
Auditorium

11:45AM-11:55AM
Guest Speaker
Jeff Merkley, U.S. Senator
Auditorium

11:55PM-12:10PM
Lightning Talks
Deborah January-Bevers,
Houston Wilderness
Sam Glinsky, Texas DOT
Auditorium

12:10PM-1:10PM
LUNCH

1:10PM-2:40PM
Breakout Session 1
Regional Breakout Session
See "Breakout Sessions" page

2:40PM-2:55PM
BREAK

2:55PM-4:25PM
Breakout Session 2
See "Breakout Sessions" page

4:35PM-5:15PM
Lightning Talks
Chris Stein, NPS
Emily May, Xerces Society
Chris Taliga, NRCS
Emily Geest, Oklahoma City Zoo
Wes Fleming, Evergy
Auditorium

5:15PM-5:35PM
Awards Ceremony
Auditorium

5:35PM-5:40PM
Closing/Wrap-Up
Auditorium

5:40PM-7:10PM
Reception
Great Hall

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THURSDAY, MARCH 7

All events will take place at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center.

8:00AM-8:30AM

Registration and Networking
Courtyard

8:30AM-8:50AM

Welcoming Remarks
Auditorium

8:50AM-10:00AM

Lightning Talks
Steve Letkowski, PSE&G
Victoria Woodhouse, Canadian
Wildlife Federation (CWF)
Schyler Rhea, Wildlife Habitat
Federation (WHF)
Chad Boeckman, Corteva
Kelvin Limbrick, ComEd
Kristen Baum, Monarch Watch
Sara Rassing, Wild Ones
Andy Grinstead, Pollinator
Partnership
Julia Michaels, Hedgerow
Farms/NativeSeed Group
Auditorium

10:00AM-10:25 AM

Break

10:25AM-11:15AM

Panel Presentation
Measuring Success
Amy Golden, Virginia DOT
Jessica Fox, EPRI
Crystal Boyd, NFWF
Ryan White, SnapLands
Alyssa Taylor, MJV
Auditorium

11:15AM-12:00PM

Panel Presentation
Cross-Sector Collaboration
Amy Snelgrove, Texan by Nature
Tim Fredricks, Bayer Crop Science
Tony Tipton, NiSource/Columbia Gas
Elsa Gallagher, Bee & Butterfly Habitat
Fund
Auditorium

12:00PM-1:15PM

LUNCH

1:15PM-2:45PM

Breakout Session 3
See "Breakout Sessions" page

2:45PM-3:05PM

Wrap-Up/Group Reflections
Auditorium

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Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT SESSION 1

Regional Breakout Sessions

Discuss current and relevant topics with partners from your region.

Midwest: Orgs from IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, WI

Auditorium

South: Orgs from AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, MO, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA, WV

Great Hall

West: Orgs from AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA, WY

Classroom

Northeast: Orgs from CT, DE, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, VA, WV, DC

Library

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

State of the Science

Adam Baker, Davey Institute

Karen Klinger, Field Museum

Heidi Hartmann, Argonne National Laboratory

Robert Coulson et al., Texas A&M

Erin Posthumus, National Phenology Network

Jay Diffendorfer, US Geological Society

Auditorium

This session will introduce several research topics informing monarch and pollinator conservation. Each presentation will discuss their approaches and findings with time for discussion. Attendees will come away with a better understanding of current scientific research and applications for their conservation approaches.

BREAKOUTS



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Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT SESSION 2 (cont.)

Partnering with Federal Agencies for Pollinator Conservation

Great Hall

This session will continue themes from the panel discussion with federal agencies. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss federal programs, current agency partnerships, and future collaborations.

Community Conservation Workshop

Haley Diem, Sand County Foundation

Aster Hasle, Field Museum

Isis Howard, Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation

Dave Hunter, Crown Bees

Library

All hands on deck for monarch and pollinator conservation requires widespread engagement efforts across diverse audiences and communities. Share about your community engagement initiatives, such as engaging new audiences, adopting programs or practices, planning events, and more. Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a collaborative exchange of ideas and resources for community engagement and will come away with inspiration for implementing lessons learned.

Bumble Bee Agreement on ROWs Workshop

Classroom

This session will equip ROW organizations with the tools to evaluate their enrollment into the At-Risk Bumble Bee Agreement. Attendees of this session will learn more about the agreement, what is required to participate, alignment with the Monarch CCAA, and how to begin preparing for enrollment.



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Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT SESSION 3

Pollinator Plantings on Agricultural Working Lands

Brittany Smith, Monarch Joint Venture

Anthony Falk, Texas Native Seeds

Jack Pizzo, Monarch Haven

Elsa Gallagher, Bee and Butterfly Habitat Fund

Josette Lewis, Almond Board of California

Wes Fleming, Evergy

Great Hall

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Technology Innovations in Conservation

Susan Dunlap, Aerulean Plant Identification Systems

Ashley Bennett, Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)

Greg Emerick, Simple Business Automation (SBA)

Erica Christiansen, Stantec

Sam Cloete, Kannar Earth Science Ltd.

Great Hall

Learn about recent technological innovations helping to improve conservation monitoring, evaluation, and effectiveness. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss how advances in remote sensing and other technologies and platforms can be expanded to improve their measurements of success.

Expanding the Rights-of-Way Geospatial Habitat Database

Classroom

This session will continue the conversation about the Rights-of-Way as Habitat Working Group's Geospatial Habitat Database for energy and transportation lands and explore current uses, challenges, and potential next steps for expanding the database capabilities.

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BREAKOUT SESSION 3 (cont.)

Professional Skills Sharing Workshop

Library

Learning from within our community builds partnership and strengthens our cohesive conservation approach. Learn from other network stakeholders about fund development, tracking and evaluating programs, communications, or other areas of interest to the group. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss their own successes and challenges in a group environment.

BREAKOUTS



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