## Indiana Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management



# INAFSM 2020 Major Accomplishments

Promoting Sustainable Floodplain and Stormwater Management

### General Updates:

- Donated annual \$500 to the ASFPM foundation.
- Participated in legislative meetings and session.

# Floodplain and Stormwater Committee Updates:

- Surveyed the INAFSM
   membership as well as non member Floodplain
   Administrators and CFMs
   statewide to gage interest and
   set education/training
   priorities for 2020. The
   committee (albeit a bit COVID
   delayed) is working on
   educational factsheets and
   training workshops identified
   in the survey results.
- Developing a statewide
   Floodplain Administrator
   Mentoring Program (also,
   COVID delayed). Eighty-one
   percent of survey respondents
   agreed this would be a
   beneficial program for
   IN AFSM to establish.
- Uploaded Board approved versions of the Stormwater Survey / Training Questions of Municipal Operations and Stormwater Survey Questions for Citizens for MS4s to use in their programs.
- Reviewed the draft
   Construction Stormwater
   General Permit and provided
   an informational discussion to
   attendees with input from
   IDEM.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

INAFSM Members – It has been my pleasure to serve as your Board of Directors Chair for 2020! This year has presented several tough challenges having to deal with the COVID-19 Pandemic. Who ever would have imagined being self-quarantined at home, worrying about your health, serving as your child's teacher, and trying to work at home while coordinating with your office all at the same time?!

The INAFSM Board has been working diligently behind the scenes to keep our association running and completely re-doing how we deliver the same quality of floodplain and stormwater conference education in a new virtual world.

All of our conference contracts had to be re-negotiated to accommodate going to a virtual conference this year. The Board and the Conference Planning Committee spent time reviewing, comparing, and selecting a virtual software platform to deliver great features at a budget conscious price. Attendee and Exhibitor fees were lowered to help all of our conference participants by being sensitive to decreased travel, training, and marketing budgets. Since INAFSM did not have as many costs to host our virtual conference, the Board felt it was important to pass those savings on.

Some of our usual conference events that we have come to enjoy had to be put on hold such as our Silent Auction and Greg Main collegiate scholarship program. Since we could not hold the Silent Auction, we are asking for your cash donations so we may award future scholarships and keep this important program going.

Lastly, in addition to our dedicated volunteers, I would like to thank Jess LaNore and Lane Velayo for all of their hard work. They have spent many, many hours to help INAFSM provide quality services to our membership during this difficult time.

Sincerely, Zach Beasley, INAFSM Board Chair

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

# **Upcoming INAFSM Conferences**

September 15-17, **2021** → Evansville September 14-16, **2022** → South Bend

September 13-15, 2023 → Belterra

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