

# Coastal No Adverse Impact Approach Workshop

Thursday, June 25, 2015

Hammond Marina, Clipper Room  
701 Casino Center Drive Hammond, IN 46320

## Speaker Biographies

### **Chad Berginnis, CFM, Executive Director, Association of State Floodplain Managers**

Mr. Berginnis became Executive Director of ASFPM in July of 2012, after joining the Association staff as Associate Director in 2011. Since 2000, he served the Association as Insurance Committee Chair, Mitigation Policy Committees' Coordinator, Vice Chair, and Chair. He has a Bachelor of Science in natural resources from Ohio State University. Since 1993, his work has focused on floodplain management, hazard mitigation, and land use planning at the state, local and private sector level. As a state official, Mr. Berginnis worked in the Ohio Floodplain Management Program and was Ohio's State Hazard Mitigation Officer. As a local official, Mr. Berginnis administered planning, economic development and floodplain management programs in Perry County, Ohio. In the private Sector, Mr. Berginnis was the national Practice Leader in hazard mitigation for Michael Baker Jr. Inc.

### **Andrew Blackburn, US Army Corps of Engineers**

Andrew has a B.S. from Purdue University and a M.S. from Oregon State University. He is a Professional Wetland Scientist and also a Certified Wetland Scientist in Lake County, Illinois and has worked in the natural resources field in the private and public sectors for about 15 years. He joined the Chicago District Corps in October 2009 at which time their regulatory boundaries were expanding into northwest Indiana to include most of Indiana's 1st Congressional District.

### **Bridget Faust, Project Research Specialist, Association of State Floodplain Managers**

Bridget Faust joined the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) in January 2014. As a Project Research Specialist, her responsibilities include outreach and composition of content for the Great Lakes Coastal Resilience Planning Guide, planning and coordination of workshops on ASFPM's No Adverse Impact approach to floodplain management, as well as research on federal programs and policies including the National Flood Insurance Program and the Community Rating System. Prior to joining ASFPM, she completed a fellowship in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Great Lakes Regional Office as well as internships for U.S. Senator Al Franken and Governor Mark Dayton. Bridget has a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science Policy and Management from the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities.

### **Alan Lulloff, P.E., CFM., Science Services Program Manager, Association of State Floodplain Managers**

Alan Lulloff is Science Services Program Manager for the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) managing research and outreach projects for the association since 2005. In addition to ASFPM's published reports, ASFPM's Science Services program also has developed training materials for one-day workshops on Coastal No Adverse Impact and has conducted ten Coastal No Adverse Workshops over the past three years on the Atlantic Coast and the Gulf of Mexico. Mr. Lulloff previously spent 32 years with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) in floodplain and water quality management. Early in his career, he worked in wastewater, water supply and groundwater management with the last 15 years in floodplain management, coastal engineering and dam safety. Mostly recently he was the Floodplain Mapping Coordinator and Coastal Engineer for the WDNR. Mr. Lulloff holds an Environmental Engineering degree from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, is a registered professional engineer in Wisconsin and a Certified Floodplain Manager. Graduate studies have included remote sensing and Geographic Information Systems - Certified ARC/INFO Instructor - ESRI (expired)

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## **Kara Salazar, Sustainable Communities Extension Specialist, IL-IN Sea Grant and Purdue University**

Kara joined the Purdue University Department of Forestry and Natural Resources and Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant as Sustainable Communities Extension Specialist in 2012. Working with multidisciplinary teams throughout Purdue University, Extension, and the Sea Grant college network, Kara develop products, programs, and resources that engage decision makers in evaluating, prioritizing, and implementing sustainability strategies for their communities. Focus areas include placemaking and enhancing public spaces, lawn and landscaping conservation practices and natural resources management. Kara has a B.S. in public affairs and environmental science and a M.P.A. in natural resources management and nonprofit management from the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs. She also received a M.S.Ed. degree from the IU School of Education at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) with concentrations in community building and science education. Kara holds a Certificate in Fundraising Management from IU and the LEED Green Associate credential. She came to Sea Grant and Purdue Extension from the Center for Earth and Environmental Science at IUPUI where she was the Assistant Director for Education and Outreach.

## **Jazmin Varela, The Conservation Fund**

Jazmin Varela works as TCF's Strategic Conservation Planning Information Manager since 2007. Ms. Varela has served as the lead green infrastructure network designer for Green Infrastructure Plans in Angelina County, TX, Central Indiana, Chicago, and Columbia and Boone County, MO. She has worked as part of the design team for plans in the Houston-Galveston region, Los Angeles County, fifteen state-wide plans and on multiple ecosystem services valuation projects.

Ms. Varela is interested in large landscape conservation and engaging communities as active participants of conservation outcomes. She has helped implement a diversity, equity and inclusion effort at TCF. Her work also includes partnering with Google StreetView Trekker program; helping organizations identify Heirs property as a way to prevent further land loss in the South; and multiple mapping projects to help organizations be more strategic. Ms. Varela earned a Master of Environmental Management from Duke University's Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences with a certificate in geospatial analysis. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Geography from Appalachian State University. She resides in Chapel Hill, NC with her daughter and cat.