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# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

## WETLAND PLANT IDENTIFICATION COURSE

June 5-7, 2019

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**DuPage County Stormwater Management**

- Focus:** A more advanced approach to wetland plant identification, specifically concentrating on spring flowering wetland plants and the genus *Carex*.
- Audience:** Federal, State, and local agencies, restoration professionals, wetland consultants, and others interested in wetlands or advanced plant identification.
- Locations:** **June 5, 2019 (8:30AM-4:00PM)** - Please meet at the DuPage County Jeannie Nicaraco Child Advocacy Center, 422 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187. We will have a brief overview of the class before heading out to the field. *Please dress appropriately for the field.* **June 6 (8:30AM-4:00PM)** - Class will be held in the field, so *please dress appropriately.* **June 7 (8:30AM-4:00PM)** - Class will be in the field, so *please dress appropriately.*

**Class field locations have not been selected yet. All class participants will be notified of the locations prior June 5<sup>th</sup>. Participants should be prepared for all types of field conditions and weather. In the event of extreme weather conditions, the class will be moved indoors.**

- Cost:** \$600.00 per person. Lunch may be purchased at local restaurants or participants may bring their own.

Class size is limited to allow for personal attention. Please return the registration form and payment no later than **May 17, 2019**.

### Instructors

#### Scott Namestnik:

Scott directs ecological services for Orbis. Scott has 20 years of experience managing projects and conducting floristic inventories, quantitative flora surveys, plant community mapping, invasive species surveys and mapping, and plant species of concern surveys and mapping. He is experienced with setting up and conducting mitigation wetland monitoring projects and has conducted numerous aquatic plant surveys. Another aspect of Scott's services is providing plant identification training



workshops. In addition to his experience focused on the flora, Scott conducts wetland delineations and other site assessments and participates in avian and other wildlife surveys. Scott prepares natural area management plans and provides other technical writing services. He is recognized for his expertise in Midwestern/Great Lakes terrestrial and aquatic vascular plants, and his written work on the flora has appeared in several peer-reviewed journals including *The Michigan Botanist*, *The Great Lakes Botanist*, *Phytoneuron*, *Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science*, and *Rhodora*. Scott has presented research on various topics at numerous conferences. He currently serves as a board member for NatureCITE, Indiana Native Plant Society (North Chapter) and South Bend-Elkhart Audubon Society, is on the advisory council for Shirley Heinze Land Trust and the planning committee for the Indiana Dunes Birding Festival, and is active with the Indiana Native Plant Society (Journal Team Leader) and the Indiana Academy of Science (member of the Biodiversity and Natural Areas Committee and previously Vice-chair and Chair of the Plant Systematics and Biodiversity section).

**Chris Benda:**

Chris is a botanist and past president of the Illinois Native Plant Society (2015-2016). A native of Minnesota, Chris moved to Illinois from California in 2004 and received a Master's Degree in Biology from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign in 2007. He was a regional ecologist for the Illinois Natural Areas Inventory Update in southern Illinois from 2008-2012. Chris teaches the *Flora of Southern Illinois* at Southern Illinois University in the summer and a variety of classes at The Morton Arboretum. He is an accomplished photographer and author of several publications about natural areas in Illinois.

# REGISTRATION FORM

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Daytime telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please email the completed registration form to Scott Namestnik at [snamestnik@orbisec.com](mailto:snamestnik@orbisec.com). **An invoice will be provided to make a payment and secure a spot in the class.**
- A confirmation notice will be emailed to each participant once payment has been received.

Questions: Please contact Scott Namestnik at (574) 303-7758 / [snamestnik@orbisec.com](mailto:snamestnik@orbisec.com) or Nick Assell at (630) 407-6725 / [nick.assell@dupageco.org](mailto:nick.assell@dupageco.org)