



37th Annual Florida Lake Management Society Technical Symposium Call for Abstracts

September 1, 2026 Workshops
September 2-4, 2026 Technical Sessions

Program Theme
***Waters in Harmony: Linking
Lakes to Coasts***



*Hyatt Regency Coconut Point
Bonita Springs, FL*

ABSTRACT DEADLINES

Abstract Title, Bio & 2 Sentence

Summary: May 1, 2026

Final Abstract: June 1, 2026

Priority will be given to early submissions
that meet requirements

Submit your abstract online at
[https://flms.net/annual-symposium/call-
for-abstracts/](https://flms.net/annual-symposium/call-for-abstracts/)

Or email:

maryann@flms.net

Symposium Hotel:
[Hyatt Regency Coconut Point](#)
Registration: www.flms.net



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Major Symposium Program Tracks could include sessions such as:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Florida Springs & Karst Geology</i>• <i>Harmful Algal Blooms</i>• <i>Lake & Urban Pond Restoration Science & Management</i>• <i>Nutrient Reduction and TMDL Studies</i>• <i>Reservoirs</i>• <i>Lake Fish Habitat and Population Management</i>• <i>Importance of Hydrology on Lakes</i>• <i>Urban Lake/watershed Issues</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Alum Usage in Surface Waters & Lessons Learned at Alum Treatment Plants</i>• <i>Water Resources Education, Volunteers & Conservation</i>• <i>Coastal & Estuary Science</i>• <i>Florida Watershed, Land Use and Water Resources Management</i>• <i>Stream and River Science</i>• <i>Innovative Approaches to BMPs</i>• <i>GIS/Modeling</i>• <i>Exotic species management</i> |
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Note: The purpose of the 2026 FLMS Symposium is to bring together researchers, practitioners and policy makers in Florida to share research and discuss creative solutions related to water resources restoration and pollution control. Depending on the number of abstracts accepted, the Symposium will like to emphasize the importance of policy and economic change impacts on lakes while covering a range of topics related to water resources use, watersheds, river/stream flows, harmful algal blooms and coastal/estuary areas.

First Abstract Submittal

Please submit your abstract title, a one to two-line summary and your bio by Friday May 1, 2026 to begin your placement on the program. This also enables FLMS to obtain continuing education credits from DACS.

Final Abstract Format Requirements

- ☐ Authors are encouraged to submit abstracts that fall broadly within the technical symposium tracks and/or session topics.
- ☐ Please use the format below and save in MICROSOFT WORD with your last name as the file name. You do not need to specify a session. Please limit abstracts to approximately 300 words.
- ☐ Clearly indicate whether you are submitting an abstract for an oral presentation or a poster.
- ☐ Submit abstracts on at <https://flms.net/annual-symposium/call-for-abstracts/> or via e-mail to maryann@flms.net. Abstracts not meeting formatting requirements will be returned to the author for correction. You do not have to register in advance for your abstract to be considered.

Additional Notes:

- ☐ Symposium fees are not waived for speakers or other participants. All presenters must register for the Symposium.
- ☐ Oral presentations are 15 minutes long and must be presented in Microsoft PowerPoint with a Widescreen format. Connection of individual computers to the session equipment will not be allowed.
- ☐ Posters should be no larger than 4 feet wide and 3 feet high.
- ☐ Authors of Symposium papers will be asked to submit an extended abstract for inclusion into the Symposium proceedings that will be distributed at the Symposium. Details for preparing the extended abstract will be provided with the acceptance notification.

Final Abstract Template:

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Presenting author's name underlined and italicized and additional author(s)

Affiliation of presenting author, City, State

Affiliation of additional authors [if any], City, State

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Hotel Reservations and Symposium Rates

The Symposium is offering hotel reservations at exceptional prices before, during, and after the Symposium at Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. The guestroom rate is \$224 plus any applicable state and local taxes. These rates are available from August 30 to September 6, 2026 and may be extended three days prior to and/or post Symposium depending on availability. Reservations must be made no later than August 20, 2026 to get these favorable rates. Our room block normally sells out early so it is advisable to make reservations as soon as you are able. A special website link for hotel reservations will be available shortly. **Refer to FLMS website for hotel reservations.**

Student, Teacher and Volunteer Presentations and Travel Grants

Junior and senior level undergraduate degree, master degree, and doctoral degree students, teachers and volunteers nominated by a volunteer program are eligible for to apply for travel grants. For junior and senior undergraduate students, the individual must be enrolled as a student in the spring or summer semester prior to the FLMS Symposium. Students with accepted abstracts to present either an oral or poster presentation at the FLMS symposium are given preference. For more information, see the FLMS web site, www.flms.net.

Call for Technical Training Workshops

Up to four Pre-Symposium Training Workshops are planned for Tuesday, September 1, 2026, on a wide range of lake management, watershed, and restoration issues. Workshops may be a half-day or a full day in length and will be listed on the Symposium registration page. Persons interested in presenting a workshop should contact the workshop chair Gloria Eby at GEby@cityofwinterpark.org. The Symposium does not compensate workshop presenters. Workshop topics may include: 1. Freshwater Algae Identification, 2. NPDES Permitting, 3. Water Quality Monitoring, 4. Lake Data Analysis and Interpretation, 5. Drone and bathymetric mapping technologies. Topics for other workshops will also be considered.

Call for Vendor Workshops

The Symposium acknowledges the importance industry plays in technological advances in lake management and offers an opportunity for interaction. Workshops shall be organized, administered, and operated solely by the vendors and are not directly connected to the Symposium. The Symposium will announce such offerings as part of the Symposium announcements and will refer interested participants to the vendor accordingly. Vendors interested in presenting a workshop should contact the FLMS at maryann@flms.net. The Symposium does not compensate workshop presenters.