

Call for Abstracts: SER-MWGL 2025 Annual Meeting

Every year, the Society for Ecological Restoration's Midwest-Great Lakes Chapter holds its Annual Meeting to bring together all who are interested in contributing to and advancing the field of ecological restoration. **The 16th Annual Meeting of the MWGL chapter will be held April 25-27, 2025, at Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center in Moline, Illinois**. Our 2025 meeting theme is *Engaging Agricultural and Rural Communities in Ecological Restoration*.

We invite all interested parties to submit an abstract that is directly related to the meeting theme, or a topic related to ecological restoration. Please fill out this form to submit your proposal for the 2025 Annual Meeting.

The deadline for submissions is FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2025.

** We ask that presenters register and pay the appropriate registration fees to help cover meeting costs. Registration information will be available in February 2025.

We encourage presenters to register by March 2025, to receive the early bird registration rate. Students receive a 45% discount on meeting registration fees.

For questions, please email Katie Kucera and Meg Hansen at mwgl.ser@gmail.com

Call for Abstracts for Oral or Poster Presentations: SER-MWGL 2025 Annual Meeting

Contributed presentation information:

- Oral presentations will consist of 20-minute presentations tentatively scheduled for Saturday, April 26
- Poster presentations are scheduled for the afternoon of Friday, April 25

Please provide the following information in a **Word document** and submit via email to mwgl.ser@gmail.com:

- Email
- Presenter Name
- Presenter Organization/ Affiliation (if applicable)
- City, State, Zip, Phone Number
- Co-Presenter(s) Name, Organization/ Affiliation, Phone Number, Email(s), and authorship order
- Presenter Type (Oral or Poster)
- Presentation Title

• Presentation Abstract

- o In 300 words or less, please provide a one paragraph abstract to be used in the meeting program. This should be a concise summary of your entire talk that provides the following: 1) brief introduction to the topic and its importance; 2) the objective, research question, or hypothesis of the research or project being presented; 3) the research methods or the project design; and 4) the outcome of the research or project and their implications for the science and practice of ecological restoration.
- Presentation Summary (50 words or less)
- Is this presentation a student presentation? Would you like the presentation considered for the "Best Student Oral or Poster Presentation"
- Presentation Topic (choose 3) to help categorize your presentation
 - Forest/woodland restoration
 - Wetland Restoration
 - o Grassland Restoration
 - Urban Restoration
 - o Community Outreach and Partnership
 - o Soils & Fungi
 - o Climate Change and Restoration
 - Restoration and management Techniques
 - Tools for restoration Professionals
 - Hydrology & Geomorphology
 - o Flora & Plant Communities
 - Restoration History & Culture

Call for Symposia and Workshop Proposals: SER-MWGL 2025 Annual Meeting

Symposia and Workshop information:

- Workshops and symposia will be tentatively scheduled for two-hour blocks of time on Saturday, April 26.
- Workshops focus on practical applications and are intended to convey specific technical knowledge, skills, or methodologies. In contrast symposia provide a forum for the exploration and discussion of special topics or themes. Additionally, workshops maybe led by one or more instructors and symposia typically include four to five presenters.

Please provide the following information in a **Word document** and submit via email to mwgl.ser@gmail.com:

- Proposal type (Symposia or Workshop)
- Presenter Name
- Presenter Organization/Affiliation
- City, Sate, Zip, Phone Number
- Co-Presenter(s) Name(s), Organization/ Affiliation, Phone Number, Email, and Authorship Order
- Symposia or Workshop Title
- Symposia/ Workshop Abstract
 - o In 300 words or less, please provide a one paragraph abstract to be used in the meeting program. This should be a concise summary of your proposed symposia or workshop that provides the following: 1) brief introduction to the topic and its importance; 2) the objective, of the symposium/workshop; and 3) an overview of the specific topics to be discussed. Additionally, all symposium and workshop proposals must clearly convey in their abstracts how the topic of their proposed symposium/workshop is applicable to the science and practice of ecological restoration.
- Presentation Summary (50 words or less)

Field Trip Proposal: SER-MWGL 2025 Annual Meeting

Please provide the following information in a **Word document** and submit via email to mwgl.ser@gmail.com:

- Email
- Field Trip Organizer Name
- Field Trip Organizer's Organization/ Affiliation (if applicable)
- City, State, Zip, Phone Number
- Co-Organizer(s) Name, Organization/ Affiliation, Phone Number, and Email
- Field Trip Title
- Field Trip Abstract
 - In 300 words or less, please provide a one paragraph abstract to be used in the meeting program. This should be a concise summary of your proposed field trip, including overall site information, habitat types, restoration practices and goals, and any other information that can inform participants about what to expect on your field trip.
- Field Trip Summary (50 words or less)
- Proposed Field Trip Details
 - Field Trip Scheduling Considerations: Is your field trip a half day (2-4 hours) or a full day (>5 hours)?
 What is the anticipated start time for your field trip? *All field trips will be on Sunday, April 27
- Attach a photo of your proposed field trip site for our program and marketing materials