

**National Aquatic Resource Surveys Partnership Meeting and Workshop
Co-located with the National Water Quality Monitoring Conference
Denver, Colorado – March 25 – 29, 2019**

March 25 - Monday Afternoon (2 PM - 6 PM)

Objective – follow-up to December 2017 national meeting; share progress and discuss additional next steps related to NARS improvements and NARS 2.0 proposal

Welcome/ Opening Statement

Updates from NARS Workgroups on Data, Communications and Methods/Indicators

Training Improvements (short term/medium and longer term) - demo of training videos/ recap of small group session in Dallas, other discussion

NARS 2.0 Design Implementation Discussions

- Possible Topic - NARS 2.0 pilots

March 27 - Wednesday Evening (5:45 PM - 7 PM)

Objective – generate discussion and insight into how we can expand data analysis using NARS and other data to address additional water program questions and needs

Expanding Data Analysis – short presentations and facilitated discussion

Integrating data across waterbodies (Steve Paulsen, Alan Herlihy)

What other questions can we address? (Are we losing the best of what's left? Land use or causes/sources/stressors; others)

March 29 - Friday Morning (8 AM- 12:30 PM) – workshop on sample frame/target population issues

Objective – workshop to collaborate and transfer knowledge between NARS partners (EPA, states, tribes) on Sample Frames for NARS. The discussions will include identifying/discussing stakeholder and partner requirements for the sample frames and development/refinement of samples frames.

8:00 AM – Opening

8:15 AM – Presentation from Tony Olsen – Target Populations and Sample Frames: Past, Present and Future for each of the NARS.

- Includes time for a little general Q/A

9:30 – 9:45 AM - Break

9:45 AM - Concurrent Sessions – Discussion of issues by Waterbody Type

During each session a couple of states to present on how integration of their sample frames, indicators, timing etc. for state scale survey work has gone with NARS. Discussion likely to include sample frames themselves (e.g., resolution), what reporting units are of interest, what

to include (or exclude) from the sample frame and how that impacts site evaluation, and nonresponse issues.

- Concurrent Session - NRSA
- Concurrent Session - NLA

10:45 AM – Continue Concurrent Sessions – Discussion of issues by Waterbody Type

- Concurrent Session NWCA
- Concurrent Session – NCCA (Estuarine and Great Lakes)

11:45 AM – Wrap Up

12:30 PM – End
