



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS:

North Carolina Beach Inlet & Waterway Association (NCBIWA) 2024 Annual Conference

Monday and Tuesday November 18 & 19, 2024

Aloft Wilmington at Coastline Center in Downtown Wilmington, N.C.

For over 26 Years, NCBIWA has hosted its Annual Conference, bringing together a diverse cross-section of local government representatives; State and federal resource managers and regulators; and representatives from the private sector and academia, to discuss the most important issues facing the coast of North Carolina. On November 18 & 19, NCBIWA will continue this great tradition by hosting this “Must-Attend” event in downtown Wilmington, North Carolina. The conference will focus on the key issues facing North Carolina’s coast, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- **Coastal Policy** – Changes in Environmental Policy and or Legislative Changes that have or may impact the protection and preservation of the coast such as Waters of the US, Federal Flood Insurance Policy, WRDA legislation and implementation guidance, septic systems and water quality, etc.
- **Shallow draft Waterway Planning, Funding, and Projects** – Case studies, dredged material management, beneficial use of dredged materials, nearshore placement, funding, etc.
- **Permitting and Design of Coastal Restoration/Shore Protection Projects** – Innovative techniques or emerging issues with regards to the permitting and design of Coastal Restoration/Shore Protection Projects.
- **Offshore Resource Management** – Planning efforts, research, or emerging technologies focused on the development of offshore energy or offshore marine minerals (sand).
- **Coastal Resiliency** – Project planning and implementation, funding opportunities, research and development associated with improving coastal resiliency.
- **Beach, Inlet, and Waterways Monitoring** – Innovative techniques, research, development, and/or case studies related to the physical or environmental monitoring of beach, inlet, and waterway projects.

You are invited to submit an abstract on any of the various topics listed or another topic relevant to the coast of North Carolina. Please submit a written abstract to execdirector@ncbiwa.org **prior to close of business on Friday, August 23rd, 2024.** Please feel free to forward this email to any contacts in your profession or interest.

In order to facilitate review of the abstracts, please note they should be no longer than one page; and must include your name, affiliation, and contact information, including email address and phone number. The abstracts can be submitted in .doc., docx, or .pdf formats and presentations will range from 15 – 30 minutes depending on the volume of abstracts/presentations that are received. The abstract should generally describe the content of the proposed presentation and why it may be of interest to conference attendees. All abstracts will be reviewed by an independent panel, ranked, and selected for acceptance or refusal. You will be notified on **Monday, September 9th** if your abstract has been accepted for a presentation. Speakers are responsible for all registration, travel, and lodging costs.