

Canadian Water Resources Association

76th National Conference



RISING WITH THE TIDE

Working together to address
water resource challenges

CALL FOR SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS

The Canadian Water Resources Association is holding its next National Conference in **Kjipuktuk / Halifax** (Nova Scotia, Canada) **June 18th – 21st, 2023**. The conference theme is *“Rising with the tide: working together to address water resource challenges”*. To learn more, please visit our conference website at <https://conference.cwra.org>. We would like to invite regional and national experts to propose Special Sessions to support our conference theme related to the importance of collaborating on water related issues, and the increasing challenges and pressures we are facing across this sector.

Potential topic areas for special sessions include but are not limited to:

- **Indigenous perspectives in water resources** - incorporating indigenous knowledge and perspectives in water resources management, understanding challenges and opportunities
- **Nature-based solutions** - approaches, barriers to implementation, potential paths forward
- **Flood mapping and flood forecasting** - from development to implementation and how we work together to achieve overall flood management objectives in the face of increasing climate change risks
- **Challenges and responses to climate change impacts on water availability** - multi-stakeholder approaches, incentivization of water sharing and collaboration in times of drought, innovative approaches and communications
- **Aquatic species at risk, including Atlantic Salmon** - species specific conservation approaches and their successes and challenges, value in collaboration across NGOs, Indigenous groups, and other stakeholders
- **Where the river meets the sea** - management of water resources at the freshwater/marine interface, roles and responsibilities, and challenges that exist from a changing climate
- **Transboundary water management** - governance, conflict resolution, and moving forward effectively in face of increasing pressures

Proposals for sessions or technical workshops can be sent to cwra2023@cwra.org by November 21st, 2022. The proposal should include a brief description of the session or workshop and a list of potential speakers. Technical workshop proposals should include estimated costs (registration fees and cost to

run). The organizers of special sessions will be responsible for encouraging colleagues to submit abstracts to the session, deciding which speakers are assigned an oral presentation or a poster, and chairing the special session at the conference.

We look forward to hearing from you! If you'd like to discuss this call for sessions further or have any questions related to the above, please do not hesitate to reach out to the email address listed above.

Thanks,

The Atlantic Branch CWRA Team