



# MINNESOTA DIVISION

## Izaak Walton League of America

### 2019 WATERSHED SUMMIT

***Purpose: Explore the need for a broader ecosystems approach to water management planning and implementation in Minnesota.***

**Saturday, March 23, 2019 – 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; Register at [www.minnesotaiakes.org](http://www.minnesotaiakes.org)**

**Normandale Community College –Garden Conference Room**

**9700 France Ave. S, Bloomington, MN 55431**

**Students and Fixed income \$15, General \$35**

While Minnesota is a national leader in water resource protection, today's governance framework surrounding water management has become increasingly specialized and compartmentalized into a diverse array of technical disciplines. To tackle the complex issues facing our modern society, there is a need for a more holistic broad-based paradigm of planning and management that reflects the integrated and interdependent ecological relationships of our natural environment.

***Please join us as we explore the need to bridge our specialized technical understanding with a broad ecological perspective to effectively address the complex issues facing us.***

### Draft Agenda

#### Morning

8:45 – 9:00	Welcome, Introductions	Jill Crafton, Izaak Walton League
9:00 – 9:40	“Natural Capital-The importance of Ecosystem Thinking”	Steve Polasky, U of MN
9:45 – 10:25	“Wildly Successful Farming-An Ecosystems Approach”	Brian DeVore, LSP
10:30 – 11:10	The Value of a Healthy Urban Ecology	Michael Schroeder, Mpls Park Board
11:15 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 12:10	Ecological Planning and Decision Making	Joe Bischoff, Wenck Engineering
12:15 – 12:45	Can Functioning Ecosystems Provide Solutions	Rep. Rick Hansen, SD 52A

#### Afternoon

1:30 – 2:10	Biological Farming Systems”	Gary Zimmer, Midwestern Bio Ag
2:15 – 2:55	Creating a Community for Safe Drinking Water”	Jeffrey Broberg, MN Well Owners Org.
3:00 – 3:45	Public Trust Doctrine	Alexandra Klass, U of MN
3:45 – 4:00	Q&A/ Discussion	
4:00	Adjourn	