



10th Annual MiCorps Conference

DEQ Representative

- Bill Dimond
- DEQ Aquatic Biologist
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MiCorps

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10 Years of MiCorps

Outstanding Program Success

1. Remarkable water resources
2. Established lake program base
3. Citizen Volunteers
4. Continued Resource Allocation
5. Dedicated Partners





MiCorps Staff

- DEQ Representatives: Bill Dimond, DEQ
- New!: Marcy Wilmes, DEQ
- Contract Manager: Laura Kaminski, GLC
- Program Manager: Dr. Paul Steen, HRWC
- Lakes Administrator: Jean Roth, MLSA
- Scott Brown, MLSA
- Program Consultant: Dr. Jo Latimore, MSU





MiCorps Programs

A photograph of three people in a white inflatable boat on a body of water. The person in the foreground is a man wearing a white jacket, a brown cap, and sunglasses, holding a white bottle. The person in the middle is a woman wearing a dark blue jacket, a blue cap, and sunglasses, leaning over the side of the boat. The person in the background is a man wearing a grey jacket and a blue cap, smiling. The background shows a forested shoreline under an overcast sky.

Cooperative Lakes Monitoring Program (CLMP) www.micorps.net

Volunteer Stream Monitoring Program (VSMP) www.micorps.net





MiCorps Data Exchange Network

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MiCorps Data Use

Who?:

Lake Assns., Watershed Assns., Townships, Counties, Universities, DEQ, DNR, Federal Government

- Watershed planning/resource allocation
- Lake management
- USGS satellite remote sensing
- DEQ biosurvey site selection
- DNR inland lake fish stocking

Sister Program: VRSCCP

Volunteer River, Stream and Creek Cleanup Program

(Great Lakes Commission)(Laura Kaminski)





**The 10th Annual Conference of
the
Michigan Clean Water Corps**



Conference Agenda

8:45 am: Welcoming Remarks

Bill Dimond, Michigan DEQ

9:00 am: Morning Keynote: Volunteer Monitoring: A Tool for Change

*Julie Vastine, Director, Alliance for Aquatic Resource Monitoring,
Dickinson College*

10:00 am: Awards for New MiCorps Members

Presented by Bill Dimond and Dr. Paul Steen

10:15 am: Break



Conference Agenda

10:30 am: Breakout Session 1

(Options A and B held concurrently)

Option A (North/South Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)

MiCorps 101: An Introduction to the MiCorps Programs

Dr. Paul Steen, Huron River Watershed Council

Option B (Main Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)

Assessing Ecosystem Health: Habitat Alteration and Invasive Species

Moderator: Jason Frenzel, Huron River Watershed Council

Panelists:

- *Kristi Klomp, Timberland RC&D Council*
- *Dr. Thomas Tissue, White River Watershed Partnership*
- *Kevin Walters, Michigan DEQ*



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12:00-12:45 pm: Lunch (Dining Room, Administration Building) –
Included in Conference registration fee

12:45 pm: Tricks and Trapdoors in Watershed Planning
(Main Branch AuSable Room, Education Building)
Ric Lawson, Huron River Watershed Council



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1:30 pm: Breakout Session 2 (*Options A and B held concurrently*)

Option A: (Main Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)

Taking Monitoring to the Next Level: Tools and Opportunities

Moderator: Dr. Jo Latimore, MSU

Option B: (North/South Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)

Stream Monitoring Programs Presented by Past and Present MiCorps Grantees

Moderator: Dr. Paul Steen



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Option A: (Main Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)

Taking Monitoring to the Next Level: Tools and Opportunities

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Panelists:

- *Alison Stevens, Michigan Sea Grant – Great Lakes FieldScope*
- *Dr. Troy Zorn, DNR – Stream Fish Population Viewer*
- *Dr. Jo Latimore – Michigan's Lake and Stream Leaders Institute and the Conservation Stewards Program*



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1:30 pm: Breakout Session 2 (*Options A and B held concurrently*)

Option B: (North/South Branch AuSable Room, Education Bldg)
Stream Monitoring Programs by Past and Present MiCorps Grantees

Moderator: Dr. Paul Steen

Panelists:

- *Mike Jones, Benzie Conservation District*
- *Teri Grout, Alger Conservation District*
- *Adrianna Coultres, Grass River Natural Area*



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3:00 pm: Break

3:15 pm:

State of the Program: Celebrating the First Ten Years of MiCorps

(Main Branch AuSable Room, Education Building)

Dr. Paul Steen

3:50 pm Conference Wrap-up and Evaluation

Bill Dimond, Michigan DEQ

4:00 pm Adjourn