

13th Annual MiCorps Conference

DEQ Biologist

- Marcy Knoll Wilmes
- DEQ Aquatic Biologist





MiCorps Staff

- State Biologist: Marcy Knoll Wilmes, DEQ
- Program Manager: Dr. Paul Steen, HRWC
- Program Administrator: Laura Kaminski, GLC
- Lakes Administrator: Jean Roth, ML&SA
- Executive Director: Scott Brown, ML&SA
- Program Consultant: Dr. Jo Latimore, MSU
- Data Exchange Specialist: Michele Leduc-Lapierre, GLC
- Stewardship Coordinator: Jason Frenzel, HRWC
- Water Resource Educator: Erick Elgin, MSU Extension











13 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 Programs



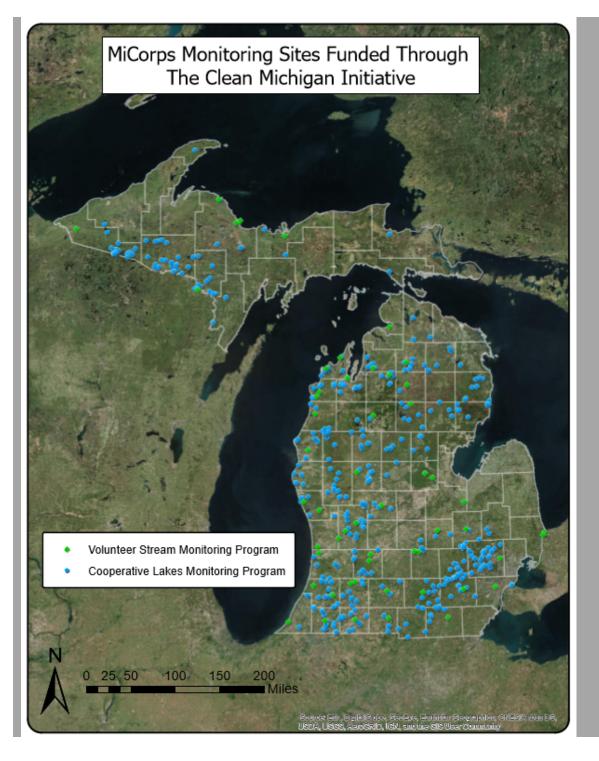
CLMP – Lakes Program





VSMP – Streams Program





Funds Allocated to MiCorps

- Over 13 Years
 - VSMP
 - 57 Different Stream Groups Awarded \$668,999.59 Grant Money
 - CLMP
 - 458 Lakes
 Administered via
 \$2,612,045.26 funds
- All funds provided through the Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI)



MiCorps Data Exchange Network

http://micorps.net

MiCorps Data Use

Who?:

Lake Associations, Watershed Associations, Townships, Counties, Universities, DEQ, DNR, Federal Government

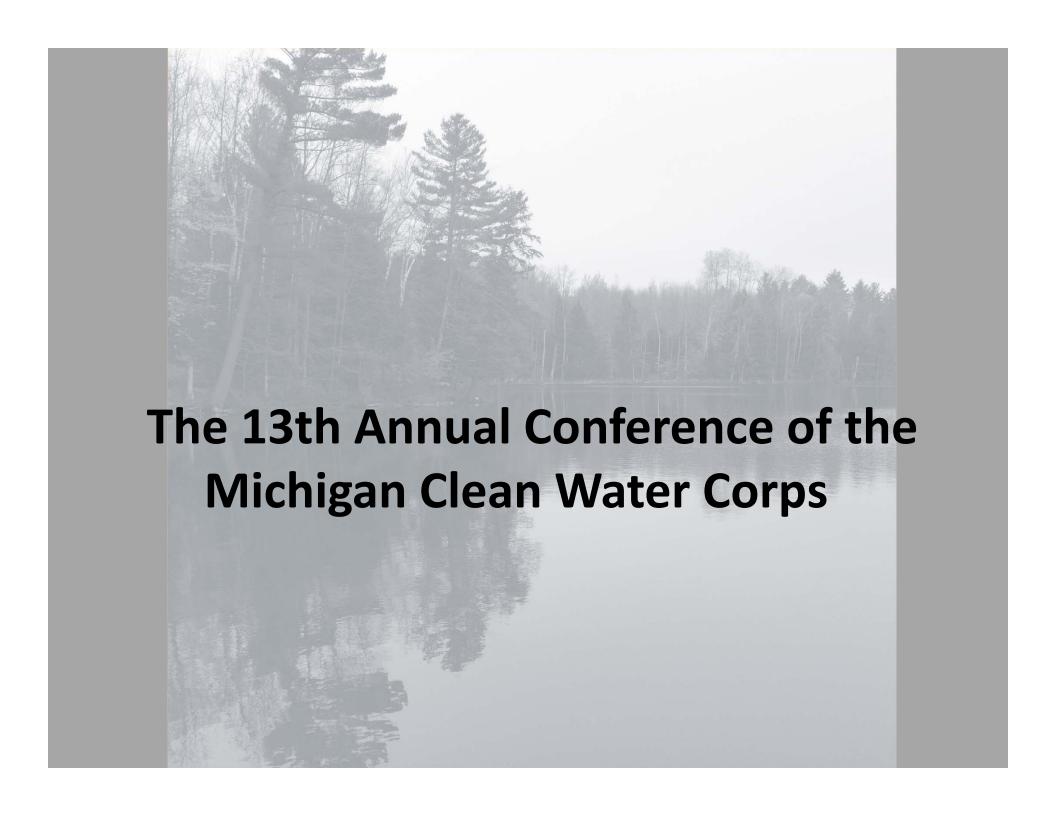
- Watershed planning/resource allocation
- Lake management
- USGS satellite remote sensing
- DEQ biosurvey site selection
- DNR inland lake fish stocking





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- Information about Lake and Stream Monitoring
- Access to the Michigan Data Exchange Database
- Blog Postings and Calendar Events
- How to Become a Lake Volunteer
- Contact Information for MiCorps Staff



9:30 am: Morning Keynote: Inspiring Change with Data

Matt Meersman, St. Joseph River Basin Commission

10:30 am: Awards for New MiCorps Members and Long-Term

Volunteer Recognition

Presented by Marcy Knoll Wilmes and Dr. Paul Steen

10:55 am: Break/Move into Breakout Sessions

Group Photo for Award Recipients and Long-Term Volunteers

11:15 am: Breakout Session 1

(Options A and B held concurrently)

Option A (Main Lodge Lower Level, Ford Room)

MiCorps 101: An Introduction to the MiCorps Programs

Marcy Knoll Wilmes, Michigan DEQ

Option B (Mawby Learning Center, Lakeview Room)

Finding Financial Support After Your MiCorps Grant Ends Panelists:

- Sally Petrella, Friends of the Rouge
- Theresa Lark, Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council

Please vote for afternoon networking session topics before going to lunch!

12:00pm: Lunch (Main Lodge, Dining Room)

Included in Conference registration fee



1:00 pm: Breakout Session 2 (Options A and B held concurrently)

Option A: (Main Lodge Lower Level, Ford Room)
MiCorps Macroinvertebrate and Road/Stream Crossing Monitoring

Programs

- Heather Smith, The Watershed Center Grand Traverse Bay
- Kayla Knoll, Manistee Conservation District
- Carolyn Grace, St. Joseph County Conservation District

Option B: (Mawby Learning Center, Lakeview Room)
Using Citizen Science Data for Lake Water Quality Research to
Inform Policy

- <u>Dr. Patricia Soranno, Michigan State University</u>
- Autumn Poisson, Michigan State University

2:00 pm: Break/Move Back into Lakeview Room (Mawby Learning Center)

2:20pm: Sharing Resources Around the State: A Networking Activity (Mawby Learning Center, Lakeview Room)

Facilitated by MiCorps Staff

3:50pm: Conference Wrap-Up and Evaluation

Marcy Knoll Wilmes, Michigan DEQ

4:00pm: Adjournment

