

Kiamichi River Watershed Research & Extension Symposium

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 Southeast Expo Center * McAlester, Oklahoma

The Kiamichi River Watershed Research and Extension Symposium, presented by Oklahoma NSF EPSCoR and the Oklahoma Water Resources Center, will bring together a diverse group of stakeholders from across the state, including academic researchers, Tribal representatives, and Oklahoma state and federal agency representatives. The goal of the symposium is to discuss current research and extension efforts in the Kiamichi River Watershed and to develop a plan for future efforts based on the diverse needs of the various stakeholders in the region.

The event will be held Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at the Southeast Expo Center in McAlester, Oklahoma (4500 W. Hwy 270). Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.; the first session starts at 9:00 a.m. The event is scheduled to conclude at 4:30 p.m.

Symposium registration is free, but required, at http://www.okepscor.org/calendar/kiamichi-river-watershed-research-and-extension-symposium. Registration closes June 1.

More About the Event

Agency and Tribal representatives will outline their Kiamichi River Watershed activities during ten-minute oral presentations, while researchers will share their progress in the area during a poster session to be held during the event. A key focus of the symposium, the round-table discussion session, will allow symposium attendees to work together to outline future research and extension needs for the area, ranked by importance collectively by the group. The information, to be made available online after the event, will provide direction for future research and extension efforts in the Kiamichi River Watershed.

In addition to supporting the research and extension efforts of this important watershed, the symposium aims to foster new, long-term collaborations and partnerships between academic researchers, state agencies, and Oklahoma Tribes that will enhance future research and programs.

Presentation Opportunity for State Agency & Tribal Representatives

Representatives from tribes, as well as federal and Oklahoma state agencies, are invited to share information about their watershed programs and needs during scheduled ten-minute oral presentations. Individuals interested in participating in this opportunity may request one of the eleven available agenda slots by forwarding their request to Emma Kuster at emma.kuster@okstate.edu by **April 15**.

Requests must include:

- Presenter's name
- Organization or Tribe represented
- Email address of the presenter

Upon receipt of the request, the proposed presenter will receive a presentation template and a position on the day's agenda.

Presentation Opportunity for Academic Researchers

Researchers who wish to share their work during the symposium's poster session may register a poster during the online registration process; abstracts must be uploaded at the time of registration, along with poster titles.

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Questions

For more information, contact Emma Kuster, OK NSF EPSCoR program coordinator, at emma.kuster@okstate.edu.

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