Ohio Watershed Leaders (OWLS) Conference
Tuesday, September 7 – Wednesday, September 8, 2021
Scioto Audubon Metro Park
400 West Whittier Street
Columbus, OH 43215

September 7 – Evening Welcome
5:00 – 6:30 Kayak Scioto River with the American Kayaking Association
7:00 – 8:30 Dinner at BrewDog Franklinton

September 8 – Conference Agenda
8:00 – 9:00 Registration and light breakfast
9:00 – 9:45 Welcome Keynote Speaker
   – Hope Taft (former First Lady of Ohio, Little Miami River Watershed Network)
9:45 – 10:00 Break
10:00 – 10:15 Legislative Update – Kevin Futryk (Government Advantage Group)
10:15 – 11:00 Outside the Box, Low-Cost Methods of Watershed Restoration
   – Bob Hawley (Sustainable Streams)
11:00 – 11:45 Tools for Watershed Planning
   - Using Hydrology Models for Education and Engagement – Dr. Steve Lyon (OSU)
   - ESRI City Engine – Brian Wamsley (Hamilton County, Ohio)
   - OKI Mitigation Planning Model – Margaret Minzner (OKI)
11:45 – 1:00 Lunch
1:00 – 1:45 State Agency Update Panel
   - Bob Gable (ODNR)
   - John Matthews (OEPA)
   - Greg Nageotte (ODA)
   - Peter MacDonaugh (ODA)
1:45 – 2:30 Closing the Gap Between Community Science Data and the Government’s Information Needs – Barb Horn (Water Data Collaborative)
2:30 – 2:45 Break
2:45 – 4:00 Field trip/networking (choose one)
   - Citizen science networking discussion
   - Tour of the Scioto Audubon Center