

# SOUTH CAROLINA ACE BASIN WATERFOWL AND WETLAND MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Hosted by:



Location

**Nemours Wildlife Foundation**  
161 Nemours Plantation Drive, Yemassee, SC 29945  
Tuesday, 30 October 2018

In Collaboration with:



Nemours Wildlife Foundation will host a Waterfowl Habitat and Hunting Management workshop in partnership with Clemson Cooperative Extension, Clemson's James C. Kennedy Waterfowl & Wetlands Conservation Center, and South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. Information will be presented by waterfowl/wildlife, wetlands, agricultural experts on effective management practices for ACE Basin of South Carolina and other applicable fresh and brackish water landscapes.

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| 8:00-8:30   | Registration; coffee and donuts  |
| 8:30-8:35   | Introduction/welcome (Dr. Ernie Wiggers, Nemours Wildlife Foundation [NWF])                                  |
| 8:35-9:00   | Waterfowl in winter, habitat needs and management (Dr. Rick Kaminski, Kennedy Center [KC])                   |
| 9:00-9:20   | Ecology and management of aquatic invertebrates in brackish wetlands (Beau Bauer, NWF&KC)                    |
| 9:20-9:40   | Wood duck and whistling duck nest box use in South Carolina (Gillie Croft, NWF&KC)                           |
| 9:40-10:00  | Ecology and management of mottled ducks in the ACE Basin (Molly Kneece, SC DNR)                              |
| 10:00-10:20 | Break  |
| 10:20-10:40 | Waterfowl abundance and whereabouts in South Carolina: Results of 2016-2018 aerial surveys (Nick Mastro, KC) |

- 10:40-11:05 New General Permit for managed impoundments and updates on the rice field mapping project; Drs. Travis Folk (Folk Land Management [FLM]) and Ernie Wiggers (NWF)
- 11:05-11:25 Managing Phragmites, white marsh, and other invasives (Jack Whetstone, Clemson Cooperative Extension and Chris Page, SC DNR)
- 11:25-11:50 Report from DNR: waterfowl regulations, statewide waterfowl outlook, multi-species management (Alicia Farrell, SC DNR)
- 11:50-12:40 Lunch (provided).
- 12:40 – 1:05 Waterfowl and Wetland Habitat Conservation and Easements in ACE Basin (Jamie Rader, Ducks Unlimited)
- 1:05 – 1:25 Looking forward: Sustaining, decommissioning, and need to emigrate managed impoundments inland with sea-level rise (Bob Perry, Palmetto Natural Resource Management (PNR))
- 1:25 – 1:40 Moist-soil & brackish impoundment management for waterfowl (Daniel Barrineau, SC DNR and Dean Harrigal, FLM)
- 1:40-3:30 Attendees can select to participate in 1 of 3 field trips. Maximum field trip number is 25. If first choice field trip is full, attendee will be direct to one of the other choices.
- Site 1: Moist-soil and brackish water impoundments, Bear Island WMA,
- Site 2: Brackish water Impoundment management and aquatic invertebrates, Bear Island, WMA
- Site 3: Crop field management for waterfowl on Clarendon Farms
- 3:30 Adjourn from the field trip site