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WETLAND PLANT IDENTIFICATION COURSE

Wednesday, August 25 – Friday, August 27, 2021

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Focus: A more advanced approach to wetland plant identification, specifically concentrating on wetland grasses, sedges, rushes, and forbs.

Audience: Federal, State, and local agencies, restoration professionals, wetland consultants, and others interested in wetlands or advanced plant identification.

Locations: Wednesday, August 25 – Friday, August 27 (8:30AM-4:00PM) - Class will be held in the field, so *please dress appropriately*.

Class field locations will be within local DuPage County Forest Preserves/Park Districts but have not been selected yet. All class participants will be notified of the locations prior August 25th. Participants should be prepared for all types of field conditions and weather. In the event of extreme weather conditions, the class will be moved indoors.

Cost: \$500.00 per person. Checks may be payable to Chris Benda. Lunch may be purchased at local restaurants or participants may bring their own.

Class size is limited, and spaces will fill up fast. Please return the registration form and payment no later than **August 13, 2021**.

Instructors:

Chris Benda:

Chris is a botanist and past president of the Illinois Native Plant Society (2015-2016). A native of Minnesota, Chris moved to Illinois from California in 2004 and received a Master's Degree in Biology from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign in 2007. He was a regional ecologist for the Illinois Natural Areas Inventory Update in southern Illinois from 2008-2012. Chris teaches the *Flora of Southern Illinois* at Southern Illinois University in the summer and a variety of classes at The Morton Arboretum. He is an accomplished photographer and author of several publications about natural areas in Illinois.



REGISTRATION FORM

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Name: _____ Title: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime telephone #: _____

Email Address: _____

Please make check payable to Chris Benda. Cost of course = \$500.00

Please mail the completed registration form and check to:

DuPage County Stormwater Management
Attn: Nick Assell
421 N County Farm Road
Wheaton, IL 60187

A confirmation notice will be emailed to each participant once payment has been received.

Questions: Please contact Nick Assell at (630) 407-6725 / nick.assell@dupageco.org