

Agenda At A Glance

2025 Coastal Summit

Ripple Effect: Enhancing Oysters, Salt Marsh and Water Quality Together

April 8-9, 2025

Location: Marbles Kids Museum

Hosted by NC Coastal Federation

Goals:

- Showcase the value, importance of, and threats to coastal habitats: salt marsh, oysters, and water quality
- Highlight progress and efforts to protect and restore water quality, salt marsh, and oysters along the coast
- Identify synergistic priorities for salt marsh, oyster, and water quality work in the coming years
- Reinvigorate and encourage meaningful actions from coastal partners to support and expand efforts

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Day 1

8:30 am	Registration opens
9:30 am	Welcome/Summit Overview
9:50 am	Perspective for Current Times
10:05 am	Keynote
10:30 am	Investing in the Coast is an Investment in the State
12:00 am	Lunch
1:00 pm	Real Progress for Real People: Perspectives from the Coast
2:15 pm	Poster Session/Networking Break: Emerging Science and the Next Generation of Coastal Resilience Leadership
3:15 pm	Aligning Policy with Program Goals: Putting Plans into Action
4:30 pm	Day 1 Key Messages and Take-aways
4:45 pm	A Look Ahead to Day 2
5:00 pm	Adjourn to Legislative Reception
5:30-7:30	Legislative Reception w/Legislative Oyster Shucking Competition at 6:00 p.m.

Day 2

- 8:00 am Registration**
- 9:00 am Day 2 Welcome**
- 9:05 am Building on the Past for a Sustainable Future**
- 9:20 am State Leaders: Defining the Next Steps**
- 10:20 am Coffee break**
- 10:30 am Collaborative Solutions Workshop**
- 12:15 pm Wrap-Up**
- 12:30 pm Adjourn**

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