

38th Annual Roadside Conference

Conservation in Motion

Rhythm City Event Center

7077 Elmore Avenue

Davenport, Iowa

October 1–3, 2025

All events are in the Rhythm City Events Center unless otherwise noted

Wednesday, October 1st

Noon-4:15PM Networking Event — Golf @ Glynns Creek Golf Course, 19251 290th Street, Long Grove, Iowa. Sponsored by Stormwater Supply Co.

5:00 PM AFIRM Fall Business Meeting

6:00 PM Dinner on your own

Thursday, October 2nd

8:00 AM Registration opens; Morning refreshments; Exhibits

9:00 AM Welcome and Introduction

9:15 AM IRVM Data logging. Darrell Inskeep, GIS Analyst, Scott County IT

10:00 AM Break and Exhibits

10:15 AM Adopt a Prairie/Scott County IRVM — How to Promote Conservation Through Our Roadsides. Brian Burkholder, Roadside Vegetation Specialist/Weed Commissioner, Scott County Secondary Roads Department

10:30 AM Conservation Partnerships — Bi-CAN. Rob Liva, Co-Vice President, Quad Cities Wild Ones chapter.

11:00 AM Climate Change — Its impact on Iowa. Ray Wolf, Retired Science and Operations Officer, NOAA National Weather Service

11:45 AM Lunch and Exhibits

12:30 PM Board bus for afternoon field trips to tour Nahant Marsh and Prairie Oaks

1:00 PM Arrive at Nahant Marsh, 4220 Wapello Avenue, Davenport, Iowa

2:00 PM Load Bus and Depart to Prairie Oaks

2:30 PM	Prairie Oaks, 23099 260th Avenue, LeClaire, Iowa
3:30 PM	Social Hour at Prairie Oaks
4:30 PM	Depart Prairie Oaks back to Rhythm City Event Center

Friday, October 3rd

7:00 AM	Breakfast Available
8:00 AM	Living Roadway Trust Fund Updates, Tara Van Waus, LRTF and IRVM Plan Coordinator, Iowa DOT
8:15 AM	Roadside Program Updates, Kristine Nemec, Roadside Program Manager, University of Northern Iowa Tallgrass Prairie Center
8:30 AM	St. Ambrose University Student Roadside inventories. Dennis Tarasi, Biology Professor, St. Ambrose University
9:15 AM	Profile Products Mulch & Hydroseeding. Sonny Johns, Regional Business Manager, Profile Products
10:00 AM	Break and Exhibits
10:15 AM	EDDMapS Data Collecting. Rebekah Wallace, Program Coordinator III, University of Georgia
11:00 AM	On the Road Again: The Environmental Effects and Management of Native Prairie Plant Seeding on Roadsides. Wes Bollinger, Master's Student, University of Illinois
11:45 AM	Luncheon and Door Prizes