

## **38th Annual Roadside Conference**

*Partnerships Through Prairie*

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-4:15 pm	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, Fort Madison Room
6:00 pm	Dinner on your own

### **Thursday, October 2nd**

8:00 am	Registration / Breakfast (pastries & breakfast breads, fruit, yogurt, oatmeal) / Exhibits
9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions
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 Buffet 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	Depart Prairie Oaks back to Rhythm City Event Center
5:00 pm	Social Hour. Sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions.
6:00 pm	Evening Dinner Buffet and Award Ceremony

## Friday, October 3rd

7:00 am	Hot Breakfast Buffet / Exhibits
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	Lunch Buffet and Door Prizes

