

A message from the MIA Directors

The Michiana Irrigation Association Board and Extension personnel are excited about the topics and guest speakers slated for the December 12 program. This workshop promises to be an informative day for irrigators and agri-business personnel.

The MIA Board of Directors

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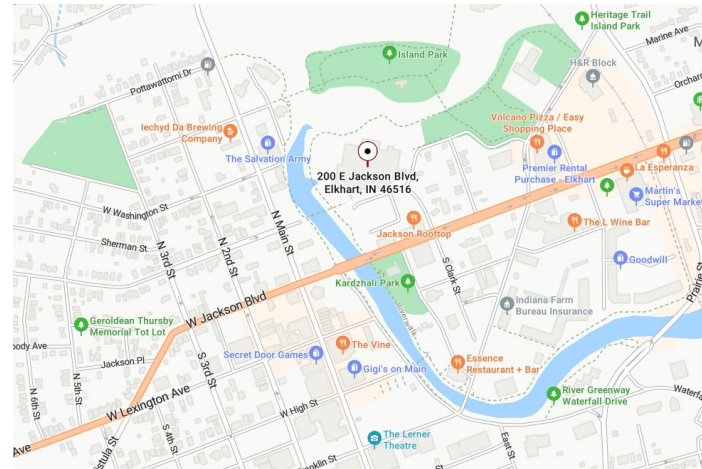
Jeremy Walker

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Winter Irrigation Workshop Map

Beacon Health and Fitness, Elkhart, IN
200 East Jackson Blvd, Elkhart, IN 46516



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Michiana Irrigation Association Winter Workshop



Friday, December 12, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Beacon Health & Fitness
Elkhart, IN

Workshop Agenda

- 8:30 **Registration**
- 9:00 **Deer Damage and Population Control** —Jessica Merling, Wildlife Biologist IDNR; Michigan DNR
- 9:40 **Midwest Water Stewards: A Year in Review, the Prairie River Reclassification update, and Re-examining Stream Baseflow in the Mi-WWAT**—Maria Swearingen and Quinten Hunsberger, Tritium, Inc.
- 10:15 **Understanding the Competition for Water and Affect on Water Policy in Indiana and Michigan**—Dr. Keith Cherkauer, Purdue ABE/Indiana Water Resource Center
- 10:45 **Break**
- 11:00 **Implementing Indiana Senate Bill 28**—Allison Mann and Mark Basch, Indiana DNR
- 11:30 **Future of Indiana Water Policy**—Kip Tom
- 12:00 **An Alternative Path Forward for Site-Specific Reviews and Water Users Committees**—Todd Feenstra, LPG, President of Tritium, Inc.
- 12:30 **Roundtable Questions, MIA Business Meeting and Election of Board Members**
- 12:45 **Lunch**
- 1:30 **Cyber Security and Protection from Ransomware**—Ben Bernstein, Huntress Labs
- 2:00 **MSU Extension Agriculture Program Focus and Priorities**—Dr. Ron Bates, MSU Extension ANR Director
- 2:30 **Improved Irrigation Scheduling Tools and Why You Need Them**—MSU Irrigation Team
- 3:00 **Reducing Irrigation Wire Theft and Damage**—Roundtable with Law Enforcement, Producers and Irrigation Dealers



Irrigation Workshop Registration Form

Name _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Cost: \$60.00 per person includes dues to MIA and Lunch

Pay by December 8, 2025

Make check payable to:

Michiana Irrigation Association

Return to:

MIA Meeting
52540 Lawrence Road
Leonidas, MI 49066

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