

Walleye Aquaculture Workshop
February 28/29, 2024
Sandman Signature Toronto Airport Hotel
55 Reading Court, Toronto, ON M9W 7K7

8:20 am	Registration open – breakfast provided
9:00 am	Welcome & Introductions – Steve Naylor, Fisheries & Oceans Canada
9:20 am	Experience in Walleye Culture Techniques at Rathbun Fish Culture Research Facility – Alan Johnson, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Rathbun, Iowa
10:45 am	Networking break
11:00 am	Experience in Walleye Culture Techniques at Rathbun Fish Culture Research Facility (con’t) – Alan Johnson, Iowa Department of Natural Resources
11:30 am	Intensive Production of Walleye in Flow-Through and Recirculating Water Systems from Start to Finish - Greg Fischer, McMillen Inc., Boise, Idaho
Noon	Lunch provided
1:00 pm	Walleye Fingerling Rearing Experiences at Blue Jay Creek Fish Culture Station – Dale Jordison, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Tehkummah, Ontario
1:30 pm	The Vermont Intensive Walleye Larviculture Journey; The Early Years – Kevin Kelsey, Ed Weed Fish Culture Station, Grand Isle, Vermont
3:00 pm	Networking break
3:30 pm	Diseases of Walleye and Considerations in RAS and Biosecurity – Alex Reid, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs, Guelph, Ontario
4:30 pm	Questions & Answers; Review of Day One

Thursday February 29-Day Two

- 8:20 am **breakfast provided**
- 9:00 am **Wild Collection and Disinfection/Adhesion Trials at Saskatchewan Walleye Spawn Camps** - Matt Tyree and Chad Doherty, Fisheries Unit, Saskatchewan Environment, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
- 9:30 am **Walleye Micro-Hatcheries: Hatching for our Future** – Rolly Frappier, Advanced Micro-Hatcheries, Espanola, Ontario
- 9:45 am **Critical Bottlenecks in Walleye Broodstock Development: Out-of-season Spawning, Cold Banking, and Winter Thermal Regimes** – Tyler Firkus, Stevens Point Aquaculture Demonstration Facility, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
- 10:30 am **Networking break**
- 10:45 am **Breaking the Bottleneck of Intensive Walleye Larviculture; Implications for Sport Fish Restoration Enhancement and Commercial Production** – Kevin Kelsey, Ed Weed Fish Culture Station, Grand Isle, Vermont
- 11:15 am **Walleye Culture Perspectives and Stocking; The Iowa Experience** - Alan Johnson, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Rathbun, Iowa
- Noon **Lunch provided**
- 1:00 pm **Walleye Culture at Shawanaga First Nation**
- 1:20 pm **Deer Lake First Nation Walleye Program**
- 1:30 pm **Recirculating Aquaculture System Technology Applied to Walleye Growout – RAS/PRAS Design** – Ed Aneshansley, Ed-A Aquatic Design, Marblehead, Massachusetts
- 2:30 pm **Scaling Walleye Aquaculture Operations: An Economic Analysis and Budgeting Tool** - Tyler Firkus, Stevens Point Aquaculture Demonstration Facility, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
- 3:00 pm **Networking break**
- 3:20 pm **Commercialization of Walleye Aquaculture** - Ed Aneshansley, Ed-A Aquatic Design and Greg Fischer, McMillen Inc.
- 4:00 pm **Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session**
- 4:45 pm **Workshop Wrap-up**