**Agenda Regional Hatch Projects S-1089 (2020-2025)**

**September 12-13, 2023,**

**Meeting Location: Auburn University, Auburn, AL**

**ZOOM:** <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/95406672447>

**Officers:** Fouad Jaber (Chair);

Aleksey Sheshukov (Vice-Chair);

Latif Kalin (Secretary);

Rafa Muñoz-Carpena, Soni Pradhanang (Past Chairs)

**Day 1: September 12**

**08:00-08:05** Meeting room gathering and setup

**08:05-08:25** Welcome (Fouad) & Introduction by NIFA advisor (Mary Savin)

**08:25-08:30** Recap of this Hatch Project: objectives and activities (Fouad/Soni)

**08:30-10:15** State Reports (20 institutions x 5’ = 100’ – 2 slides each)

**10:10-10:20** Break

**10:20-12:00** Activity: Journal Special Collection (Part I) (led by Fouad, Aleksey, Latif)

Report on special journal collection activity since last meeting, novel topics identified by the participants, revising list of authors and contributors. We will have a breakout session. Overview:

* Recap from last year meeting: purpose and format of the collection
* Communication with the journal(s) and timeline
* Manuscript topics
* Individual teams for each manuscript

**12:00-13:00** Lunch (provided by host institution)

**13:00-15:00** Impact writing workshop:

IMPACT MATTERS: Why Impact Reporting Matters and How To Do It Better

Instructor: Sara Delheimer (sara.delheimer@colostate.edu)

Program Coordinator and Impact Writer for the Multistate Research Fund Impacts Program ([www.mrfimpacts.org](http://www.mrfimpacts.org)). Ms. Delheimer creates impact statements and other communications pieces about multistate research projects and shares them through traditional and social media. She previously worked as a science writer for the National Park Service and has a bachelor’s degree in Sociology and Environmental Issues from the University of Tennessee.

Workshop overview: Increasingly, research and Extension faculty and program leaders are called upon to articulate the impact of their programs and activities. Impact statements demonstrate the value of projects and programs to stakeholders, funding agencies, and the general public. This Impact Writing Workshop helps participants understand why impact reporting matters and how to do it well. In particular, this workshop helps members of Hatch Multistate projects understand how to share their impacts in the required annual and termination reports.

**15:00-17:00** Field trip

Visiting lab and experimental facilities at Auburn University related to LID, urban BMPs, and other research projects

**17:00** Day 1 adjourned

**18:00** Dinner, in-person participants (TBA)

**Day 2: September 13**

**8:00-10:00** Activity: Journal Special Collection (Part II) (led by Fouad, Aleksey, Latif).

* Working abstract writing for each proposed manuscript
* Tentative outline and team assignments for each abstract

**10:00-10:15** Break

**10:15-11:15** Activity: Journal Special Collection (Part III) (led by Fouad, Aleksey, Latif)

* Discussion of the abstracts
* Timeline of manuscript writing

**11:15-11:30** New ideas, next steps

**11:30-11:45** Committee elections (Secretary)

**11:45-12:00** Next meeting venue

**12:00** Closing and meeting adjourn

Transportation to Atlanta Airport