

**THE HISTORY OF THE SC ASSOCIATION OF STORMWATER MANAGERS**

Municipal Association of South Carolina

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**HISTORY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM**

- 1975 Home Rule Act
  - Broadened local policing powers
- 1991 Stormwater Management and Sediment Reduction Act
- 1993 Stormwater Regulations 72-300 & 72-400
  - Delegated Review Authority
  - Enabled Stormwater Utilities

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**HISTORY OF THE NPDES MS4 PROGRAM**

- 1972 Clean Water Act
  - Created NPDES Program
- 1983 National Urban Runoff Program (NURP)
- 1990 Phase 1 Regulations (Large & Medium MS4)
  - Greenville County (2000)
  - Richland County (2000)
  - SC DOT (2006)
  - City of Columbia (2010)
- 1999 Phase 2 Regulations (Small MS4)
  - 2003 MS4 General Permit (Appealed)
  - 2008 MS4 General Permit Issued

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### FIRST GROUP MEETING

- Matt Halter initiated the meeting (1988 - 1989 time frame)
- Stormwater managers
- Woolpert facilitated the meeting
- Initial meeting had around 10 in attendance

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### SECOND GROUP MEETING

- Matt Halter invited PW personal throughout the state
- The meeting was held at Harbison State Forest Environmental Education Center
- Attendance about 20
- Consultants provided box lunches

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### GROUP BEGAN TO GROW

- Group continued to meet at Harbison State Forest
- Meeting had presentations by various agencies
- Attendance grew to 50+
- Consultants continued to provide lunch
- Focus began to center on the upcoming MS4 permit
- Need to officially organize became apparent
- Matt Halter and Scott Liggett volunteered to pursue options

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**GETTING ORGANIZED**

- Group centered on MS4 communities issues
- Membership to include Cities, Counties, designated MS4, and consultants
- Fee required (reasonable, so that smaller communities could afford)
- Membership fees to include the meetings (local budget, travel, and training issues)
- Meeting to be in Columbia area (central location statewide)

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**MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION**

- South Carolina Association of Stormwater Manager (SCASM) was created
- Matt Halter signed Bylaws in January 16, 2001
- First meeting was held in 2000
- Meeting was held at the Clarion Townhouse Hotel
- Attendance continued to grow

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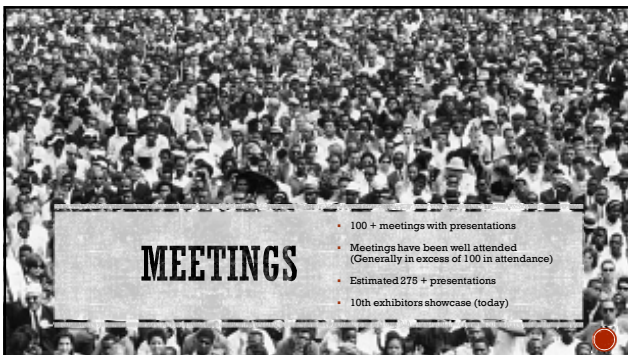
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**MEETINGS**

- 100 + meetings with presentations
- Meetings have been well attended (Generally in excess of 100 in attendance)
- Estimated 275 + presentations
- 10th exhibitors showcase (today)

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## MEETING LOCATIONS

- Clarion Townhouse Hotel (2001 - 2002)
- State Museum (2003 - 2005)
- Seawell's (2005)
- SC Hospital Association ( 2006-2008)
- Columbia Conference Center (2008 - 2019)
- Seawell's (2020-2021)
- Cooperative Conference Center (2022 - 2023)

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## KEY EVENTS

- Appeal of the first Small MS4 permit
- Established Committee to work with SC DHEC on 2nd MS4 permit
- DHEC staff began regular attendance of meetings

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## PRESIDENTS

- 2000 & 2001 - Matt Halter, Town of Summerville
- 2002 & 2003 - Scott Liggett, Town of Hilton Head
- 2004 & 2005 - Hillary Repik, Town of Mount Pleasant
- 2006 - Steve Moore, City of Myrtle Beach
- 2007 - Jason Gillespie, Greenville County
- 2008 - Scottie Furguson, Pickens County
- 2009 - Tom Carigan, Horry County

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## PRESIDENTS

- 2010 - Neil J. Desai, Charleston County
- 2011 - Lillian Hanley, City of Goer
- 2012 - Ron Bullman, Town of Bluffton
- 2013 - Thom Roth, Horry County
- 2014 - Tanya Strickland, City of North Augusta
- 2015 - Jon Batson, Anderson County
- 2016 - Tim Sherbert, Spartanburg County

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## PRESIDENTS (CONT.)

- 2017 & 2018 - Eric Larson, Beaufort County
- 2019 - Sheri Armstrong, Lexington County
- 2020 & 2021 - Bonnie Miley, Town of Summerville
- 2022 - Scottie Ferguson, Pickens County
- 2023 - Mark Johnson, Town of James Island

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## PRESENTATIONS

- Presenter groups:
  - Local Governments (Cities & Counties)
  - State Government (DHEC, DNR)
  - Consultants and Material Suppliers
  - EPA
  - Colleges and Universities
  - Attornyes

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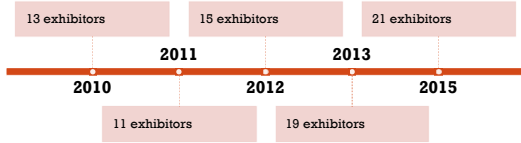
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### EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE (BEGAN 2010)



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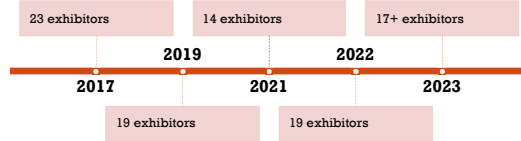
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### EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE (CONTINUES)



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### MEMBERSHIP

- History:
- 2001 - 111 members
- 2019 - 224 (highest number)
- 2023 - 124 (current)
- Current included group types and numbers

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### MEMBERSHIP GROUPS

- City Government
- County Government
- State Government
- Department of Defense
- Consultants
- Material Suppliers
- Universities

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### MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION STAFF

- Gary Cannon
- Nancy Brown
- Margaret Lumpkin
- Beth Baldauf
- Marissa Cebuleki
- Lea Ann Mitchell
- Leslie Stone
- Sara Whitaker

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The most reliable way to predict the future is to create it.  
- Abraham Lincoln

### FUTURE

- Continue to provide benefits to the local government (MS4 communities)
- Maintain relations with non-MS4 group
- Maintain / Grow membership
- Continue relationship with State regulatory agencies
- Monitor and have input into the upcoming laws, permits, and regulations

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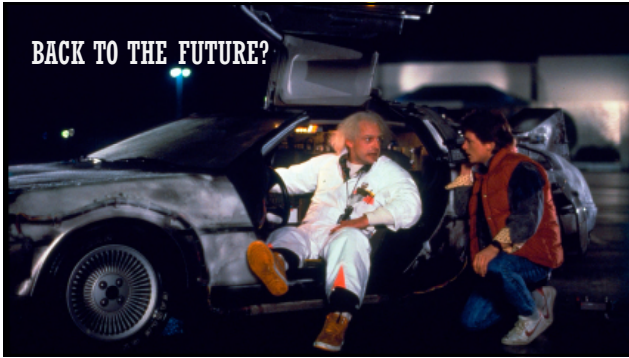
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