

Conference registration is open through September 23, 2024:
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Break-Out Session Descriptions

Break Out Session #1	
<i>Education</i> Working with Schools	Fostering effective relationships with public schools.
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Break Out Session #3	
<i>Education</i> Educator Resources	Learn more about resources and programs offered to educators within soil and water districts.
<i>Administrative</i> Board Recruitment	Tips and tricks on how to engage and build a dynamic and diverse board.

<i>Technical</i> Designing Rain Gardens	Learn how to design and get the most out of your rain garden, as well as teach others how to build and maintain their own.
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Break Out Session #4	
<i>Education</i> Field Days 101	Learn the latest tips and tricks to organize and market a successful field day.
<i>Administrative</i> Ins & Outs of Sales	Are you looking to start a district sales event? Come learn how to successfully implement a new or improve an existing sales event.
<i>Technical</i> Native Plants in Home Landscaping	Learn how to market and implement native plantings in home gardens and landscaping

Tour Description

Indiana Dunes consists of 2,182 acres of primitive, beautiful, historic, and unique Hoosier landscape. It lies at the north end of State Road 49 in Porter County and includes more than three miles of beautiful beach along Lake Michigan's southern shore. In the early 1900s scientists, recreationists, and nature enthusiasts, recognizing the value and potential of the Indiana dunes area, fought to have the region preserved. As a result, in 1925, the state park was established.

Large sand dunes, located beyond the entire shoreline, have taken thousands of years to form, and tower nearly 200 feet above Lake Michigan. A wide range of habitats and plant species are found in the park, with vegetation stabilizing some of the sand. These habitats provide homes for many types of plants and animals. The lake also provides a habitat for many aquatic species, as well as a constantly changing fishery.

<https://www.in.gov/dnr/state-parks/parks-lakes/indiana-dunes-state-park/>