

What is the Ohio Coastal Training Program?

The Ohio Coastal Training Program (CTP) promotes informed decision making to sustain the health of Lake Erie, its coast, and watershed using science-based tools and training.



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How Do I Get Involved?

Subscribe to the Ohio CTP e-newsletter to receive information about CTP and other training opportunities in the Lake Erie watershed at:

www.coastaltrainingohio.org

If you recognize a need for training or technical assistance on a particular coastal or watershed issue in your community, please contact:

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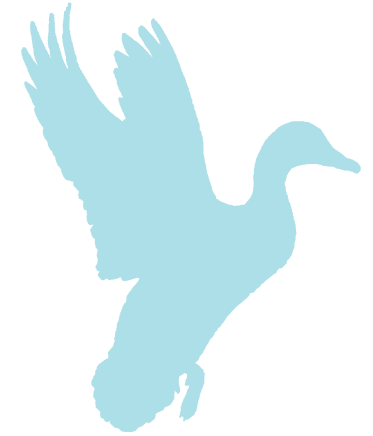
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Old Woman Creek estuary



Promoting stewardship of the Lake Erie coast and watershed through science-based tools and training

What does the Ohio CTP offer?

CTP training events may involve a variety of instructors, such as university professors, extension agents, industry practitioners, agency professionals, and other technical experts.

Training is designed to be practical; local examples and case studies are used whenever possible. Technological demonstrations, participatory field activities, and panel or round table discussions are included when appropriate to create an open, cooperative learning environment. Because CTP events appeal to diverse interests, they afford participants an opportunity to forge inter-disciplinary connections and partnerships.

Over 400 decision makers have participated in Ohio CTP training events. Nearly 90% of participants intend to apply new knowledge and skills in their work, and many report being exposed to new perspectives through participating in the Ohio CTP!

“Extremely well informed presenter with excellent materials, real world examples, and qualifying projections.” (Seminar participant)



*“...networking with new people in my field was most helpful to me!”
(Conference participant)*

Ohio CTP Goals and Objectives

The Ohio CTP promotes informed decision making to improve stewardship of Lake Erie coastal and watershed resources by:

- Providing participatory, science-based training and technical resources targeted to the needs of local officials, land use planners, and other professionals.
- Broadening partnerships to expand training and technical support related to coastal and watershed issues
- Increasing the accessibility of training and information through a web-based clearinghouse



“[I liked] the freedom of open discussion while the presentations were being held...working in groups was very helpful.” (Workshop participant)

Partners of the Ohio CTP

The sharing of ideas and resources is critical to the success of the Ohio CTP. The following partners comprise the committee that provides oversight, guidance, and Lake Erie basin-wide coordination for the program:

- Old Woman Creek National Estuarine Research Reserve
- Ohio Sea Grant College Program
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Office of Coastal Management

The Ohio CTP is always looking for opportunities to partner with other training providers to better serve the needs of decision makers. If your organization or agency might be interested in partnering with the Ohio CTP to fill a training niche, we'd like to hear from you.

*“...the presentation provided me with a completely new insight into stream management considerations.”
(Workshop participant)*

*“...the discussion setup was very informative, as we could all learn a little bit from each other in addition to what we learned from the instructor.”
(Field training participant)*

