



OHIO PRESCRIBED FIRE COUNCIL'S 4th ANNUAL MEETING

Adaptive Fire Management to Conserve Wildlife

Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019
9:30am - 3:00pm
Ohio Fire Academy
8895 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg

9:00-9:30 am - **Registration & refreshments**

9:30-9:40am - **Welcome**, *John Watts, Columbus & Franklin Co. Metro Parks & OPFC Vice-chair*

9:40-10:00am - **Ohio's Prescribed Fire Council: Accomplishments & 2020 Plans**

Jennifer Windus, OPFC & Tim Gallaher, Metroparks of the Toledo Area & OPFC Chair

10:00-11:00am - **KEYNOTE: Insights from Three Decades of Studying Grassland
Birds and Fire Interactions**

Dr. Jim Herkert, Executive Director, Illinois Audubon Society

11:00-11:45am - **Box Turtle Response to Prescribed Fire in the Oak Openings**

Dr. Matt Cross, Conservation Biologist, The Toledo Zoo

LaRae Sprow, Natural Resources Supervisor, Metroparks of the Toledo Area

11:45-12 noon - **ODNR Forestry's Prescribed Fire STEP Grants**

Thomas Shuman, ODNR Division of Forestry

12 noon -12:45pm - **Lunch** (box lunches provided)

12:45-1:15pm - **Update of Ohio Regulations Pertaining to Prescribed Fire**

Paul Braun, Ohio EPA-Division of Air Pollution Control

Thomas Shuman, ODNR Division of Forestry

1:15-2:00pm - **Managing Bat Populations and Prescribed Fire**

Katrina Schultes, Wildlife Biologist, USFS Wayne National Forest

2:00 -2:45pm - **Responding to Wildfire in an Urban Park**

Erik Shaffer, Natural Resource Area Manager, Cleveland Metro Parks

2:45-3:00pm - **Summary**