



46th International Symposium for the North American Lake Management Society

Swimming Upstream: Tackling Environmental Challenges through Partnership, Innovation, & Science

November 2-6, 2026 -- Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada



Kelowna appears to have abundant water, but this city is in the most water-scarce region of Canada. The water resources in this semi-arid setting are under increasing pressure, compounded by watershed-scale disturbance and a warming climate. Warmer, drier conditions in the growing season means agricultural needs, urban use, and environmental flow needs frequently exceed the available water resources.

To discuss these, and other, issues, NALMS is pleased to return to Canada (after ten years) for NALMS 2026! The program will feature the below topics (and more), workshops, field trips, presentations, networking events, and vendor displays.



Potential topics include:

Aquatic Invasive Species Climate Change
Paleolimnology Harmful Algal Blooms
Community-Based Science
Emerging Technologies & Methods
Eutrophication & Nutrient Management
Indigenous-Led Monitoring & Stewardship
Managing Impacts of Extreme Events
Mining & Resource Extraction Impacts
Science & Management of Salmon Lakes
Urban Lakes & Stormwater Ponds

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