



River Management Symposium

BALANCING ECOLOGY, EXPERIENCE AND ACCESS

APRIL 13-15, 2027 | FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Dear River Colleagues,

We invite you to be part of the 2027 River Management Symposium, a week of hands-on learning and collaboration focused on strategies that balance conservation and recreation in river management. Join us in Fayetteville, Arkansas, April 13-15, 2027.

Hosted by partners across the Ozark and Ouachita region, this event brings together river professionals, watershed leaders, and outdoor recreation experts from across the country. Set against a backdrop of forested hills, clear streams, and vibrant river towns, the region offers the perfect setting for conversations about stewardship, restoration, and access.

Oklahoma is proud of its protected Scenic Rivers and decades-long patronage of clean water. In Arkansas, the Buffalo National River—the nation’s first National River—and a diversity of rivers and water trails are supported by the Natural State Initiative, which positions the area as a year-round outdoor destination while protecting and restoring riparian ecosystems and honoring both cultural and ecological values. Both states are home to region-defining whitewater parks and whitewater paddling!

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As a sponsor of the 2027 River Management Symposium, you’ll help shape the future of wise river management by supporting the River Management Society—the only national organization that connects and equips watershed managers, students, Indigenous partners, and conservation leaders to ensure our rivers remain resilient and accessible for generations to come.

Please contact me at (301) 585-4677 or executivedirector@river-management.org with questions or program suggestions. We look forward to seeing you in Fayetteville!

Risa Shimoda, RMS Executive Director

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"Sponsoring the 2023 RMS Symposium was very valuable for our staff, many attending for the first time. Beyond the benefits of meeting and learning from peers from across the country, RMS memberships continue to offer terrific resources to our river managers."

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