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Conference Schedule

(Presenters are given in bold. See program for abstracts.)

8:30 Refreshments and Registration; Set-up posters

9:00 Welcome and Announcements

9:15 **Keynote Presentation** – **Steve Madewell**
“Ohio Park Districts: One Hundred Years of Conservation”

10:15 Award Presentations

10:45 Break

Paper Session I: Focus on Parks

11:00 “Biodiversity in a Large Urban Park – People, Place, and Protection” – **Constance E. Hausman**, Cleveland Metroparks

11:20 “Richland County Park District: Conservation in a Small Park District” – **Jason Larson**, Richland County Park District

11:40 **Open Forum:** “A Celebration of Ohio Park Districts”

11:50 “The United States of Ohio: A Proposal” – **Frank Brockmeyer**, Ohio Biological Survey

12:00 Lunch (The Plaza Terrace) and Student Meet-and-Greet; View Museum Exhibits

12:45 **Poster Session**, with authors in attendance (The Plaza Terrace)

1:30 Break

Paper Session II: Open Papers

1:45 “Assessing Roadway Mortality and Ecopassage Utilization along a Two-lane Highway” – **Charlene B. Hopkins**, Shawn R. Kuchta, and Willem M. Roosenburg, Ohio University

2:05 “The Common Mudpuppy Salamander; Not So Common Anymore? Habitat and Conservation of the Mudpuppy Salamander (*Necturus maculosus*) in SE Ohio Using Environmental DNA” – **Merri K. Collins** and Shawn R. Kuchta, Ohio University

- 2:25 “Composition of Forest Herb Communities Differs with Agricultural Land-Use: – **Marion Holmes** and Glenn Matlack, Ohio University
- 2:45 “The importance of forest management for birds in Ohio” – **Matthew B. Shumar**, Ohio Bird Conservation Initiative
- 3:05 Closing Remarks and Adjournment

- Note: Full program with abstracts will be available online at www.ohiobiologicalsurvey.org.