



## **Soil & Water Information Day**

GrandWay Event Centre  
7445 Wellington County Rd 21  
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**Tuesday, November 17, 2026**  
**9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**



### **Agenda**

#### **Morning Session**

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome** – Nicole Weber, Ontario CCA Board Chair
- 9:15 a.m. **“Bringing Soil Health Assessments to Greater Golden Horseshoe Farmers”**– Ryan Carlow, Program Lead, Greenbelt Foundation
- 10:00 a.m. **“Infield Conservation Practices and Sustainably Intensified Agriculture”** – Shalamar Armstrong, Associate Professor of Agronomy, Department of Agronomy, Purdue University
- 10:45 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. **“Measuring Soil Health – Challenges and Successes”** – Margaret Ribey, MSc.Env, CCA-ON, The Soil Resource Group
- 11:40 a.m. **“Protecting Surface Waters from Nutrient Loading Related to Manure Runoff”** – Heather Darby, Extension Professor, Gund Institute for Environment, University of Vermont Extension
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch Break

#### **Afternoon Session**

- 1:00 p.m. Reconvene – Nicole Weber
- 1:00 p.m. **“4R N Practices for Winter Wheat and Impact on the Soil Microbial Community”**– Amanda Mitchell, PhD candidate, School of Environmental Sciences, University of Guelph
- 1:45 p.m. **“Targeting the Right BMPs: Regional Watershed Classification and Climate-Driven Phosphorus Modelling”** – Christa Sharp, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
- 2:30 p.m. **“Huronview Demonstration Farm: Drainage Innovation Updates”** – Mari Veliz, Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority and Rick Kootstra, Kootstra Farms Ltd.
- 3:15 p.m. Concluding remarks and feedback sheets  
Adjourn

For participating CCAs, 5.0 CEUs in SWQ are available.