



2019 COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES REPORT

Committee on Dam Decommissioning

Chair/Vice-Chair/Young Professional: Jennifer Bountry and Kevin Schneider and Jonathon Atkins

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Goal – To provide a forum to discuss, develop, and share technical information about the decommissioning of dams. This technical information is used to provide dam owners, dam engineers and public safety officials, and other professionals with the information necessary to help guide decision-making when considering dam removal as a project alternative.

Jennifer Bountry is the committee chair and Kevin Schneider is the vice chair. Jonathon Atkins is the YP chair. The committee met at the 2018 Annual Meeting in Miami and will be meeting at the 2019 Annual Meeting in Chicago. The committee held a conference call in February 2019. Committee activities over the past year include:

- Refreshed the committee charter
- Working on a position statement on how to approach engineering challenges for dam removal through application of the committee's Dam Removal Guidelines published through USSD
- Working on a newsletter for USSD Summer 2019 edition on recent news in dam removal
- Working on the potential for a dam removal workshop with non-profits or at the 2020 USSD conference in Denver

There are two dam removal presentations at the USSD 2019 conference in Chicago.

The committee is actively working to increase membership, both younger members and experienced members.