

SPEAKER INFORMATION

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As president and chief executive officer of the Alliance for the Great Lakes, Joel Brammeier oversees all aspects of the organization. He leads a team of professionals across five locations, along with a base of more than 10,000 volunteers in the region dedicated to protecting clean water and building a sustainable future for the Great Lakes.

Since joining the alliance in 2001, Brammeier has become a leading voice on invasive species prevention and water protection across the Great Lakes region. He has testified before Congress and advises decision makers on critical Great Lakes issues.

Since becoming president and chief executive officer in 2010, Brammeier has overseen the longest period of sustained growth in the organization's history, doubling the size of its full-time staff and increasing assets to more than \$10 million.

He believes that the abundance of fresh water makes the Great Lakes region like nowhere else in the world, and that everyone in the region should benefit from the invaluable freshwater assets. He has committed to building a Great Lakes movement that reflects the people of the region and can ensure the lakes are clean and safe for everyone who depends on them.