

Aquaculture conference slated for the March 8-10

The N.C. Aquaculture Development Conference will be held March 8-10 at the New Bern Riverfront Convention Center, with an optional aquaponics short course on March 7.

The conference includes presentations on marketing outlooks, disease management, production advances and industry updates on freshwater and cultured seafood production.

Cost of the conference is \$110 by Feb. 22 or \$150 after that date. Students can attend for \$55 by Feb. 22 or \$65 after that.

A highlight of the conference is the Cultured Seafood Festival, a buffet of North Carolina seafood including oysters, crab cakes, clams, tilapia, hybrid striped bass, crawfish and catfish. This year the event on March 9 from 6-9 p.m. is open to the public. The cost is \$50 per person.