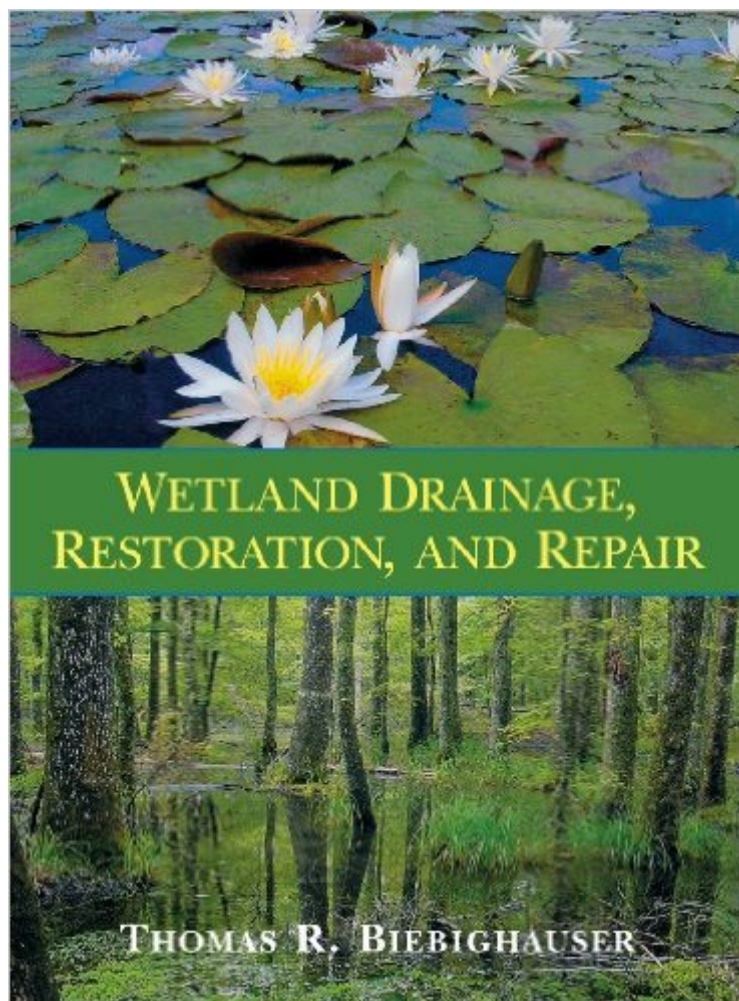


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# Wetland Drainage, Restoration, And Repair



## Synopsis

Wetlands are a vital part of the landscape and ecology of the United States, providing food and shelter for species ranging from the beautiful wood duck to the tiny fairy shrimp. These areas provide critical habitat for fish and wildlife, protect communities from flooding, and recharge groundwater suppliesâ•yet they continue to be destroyed at an alarming rate. A detailed analysis of wetlands management, *Wetland Drainage, Restoration, and Repair* is a comprehensive guide to the past, present, and future of wetland recovery in the United States. The book includes a historical overview of wetland destruction and repair over the past two hundred years and also serves as a unique resource for anyone, from novice to engineer, interested in the process of wetland restoration. Author Thomas R. Biebighauser draws from his own vast experience in building and repairing more than 950 wetlands across North America. Included are numerous photographs and case studies that highlight successes of past projects. Detailed, step-by-step instructions guide the reader through the planning and implementation of each restoration action. Biebighauser also provides a number of effective strategies for initiating and improving funding for wetlands programs. *Wetland Drainage, Restoration, and Repair* is essential reading for all who care about and for these important ecosystems.

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I finished the book the other night. It was my favorite bedtime reading material! I really learned a lot about wetland drainage, which I found fascinating. It was really brought home this spring when I

uncovered drain tiles in an old field that hadn't been farmed in over 70 years. For anyone who wants to understand the landscape they are looking at and especially those who are interested in wetlands it is a must read.

Anyone who has ever met Tom Biebighauser, knows what a wealth of knowledge he is on the subject of building wetlands. My first encounter with Tom was during our 2010 BCWF Wetlands Institute, where Tom left the whole class putting a 200 D series excavator on their Christmas wishlist. Tom makes wetland construction engaging and fun. "If you make a mistake, it's easy to fix" is one of his mantras. Or "If you build it, they (wildlife) will come". Unfortunately, for the most of us, excavators are out of our price range and won't fit under the Christmas Tree. This new book will. His previous book was an engaging and easy read, full of personal experiences of both wetland construction successes and failures. It read more like a novel than a textbook which made it accessible to a wide audience. I'm looking forward to getting a copy in the new year and working with Tom on our upcoming 2012 Wetlands Institute workshop along the Sea-to-Sky corridor, where we'll put some of these wetland restoration techniques into practice! I'm not getting any endorsements from the sale of Tom's book (in case you're wondering). "Wetland Restoration and Construction: a technical guide" should be a great resource for anyone interested in wetland stewardship.[...]

Bought it for a wetland restoration class. It's a great book with nice pictures and a lot of info. Also, the writing style makes drainage history interesting. If you want to know how to design and restore wetlands, then this book, or the other by the same author, is highly recommended.

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