

Biographical Sketch for Mr. Scott Gain

Scott Gain is currently Director of the U.S. Geological Survey, Water Science Center in Tennessee. He has been with the USGS since 1984 and served with the USGS in both Fort Worth, Texas and Orlando, Florida before accepting the position of Director for Tennessee in 1997.

He holds a master's degree in forest hydrology from the University of Florida, School of Forest Resources and Conservation, a B.S. in environmental science from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and taught as a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer at Pampanga Agricultural College in the Philippines for two years before joining the USGS.

Mr. Gain's technical interests and experience with the USGS have included studies of nutrient loading to reservoirs, evaluation of treatment efficiencies in urban storm-water retention ponds, development of sampling-optimization strategies for load monitoring in natural systems, stochastic hydrologic modeling of close-depression Karst wetlands, and non-linear optimization modeling of salinity and mixing in coastal estuaries.

He currently works out of Nashville Tennessee where he oversees all water-related activities of the USGS in the state and serves as the overall USGS representative for the State of Tennessee.