

## 2014 4<sup>th</sup> Annual GIC Water Symposium

The Carolinas Irrigation Association was a sponsor of the Green Industry Council 2014's 4th Annual Water Symposium. The theme for the 2014 conference was "The Future of Water in a Green World - Developing Green Infrastructure – Contributing to a Healthy Future for Water and People".

Keynote Speaker was Philadelphia's Mami Hara, Chief of Staff and First Deputy Commissioner at the Philadelphia Water Department. She presented Philadelphia's plans to invest more than \$2 billion in green infrastructure over the next 25 years through the nation's most ambitious green infrastructure program.

Other speakers included nationally renowned Landscape Architect Jeffrey Bruce, North Kansas City, Missouri; Closing Keynote, Alan Harris a.k.a. The Water Scribe, from Valley Crest Landscapes, Atlanta, Georgia; and Trevor Clements from TetraTech, ranked No. 1 in Water in the nation by Engineering News Record. Additional speakers addressed topics such as Low Impact Development (LID), the role of plants in storm-water management, and site level infiltration.



GIC President and CIA Director Chris Mitchell and CIA Vice-president Kevin McRae discussing water topics during break



John Marmarato – NCICLB Director and CIA Director  
Kevin McRae – CIA Vice-President  
Chris Mitchell – GIC President and CIA Director

*Watch the CIA web site for the future dates for the GIC Water Symposium*