

# ACWA

## NOVEMBER 2018 NUTRIENTS PERMITTING WORKSHOP

November 6-8, 2018  
Gulfport, Mississippi

### PURPOSE

This workshop is part of a series of meetings focused on nutrients permitting through a grant between EPA, ACWA, and WEF. The workshop series is intended to help support states and EPA to further identify challenges & barriers to nutrient permitting program implementation, highlight opportunities for program improvement & enhancement, showcase innovations, assist with analysis of training, guidance, tools, and other support material needs, improve administrative efficiencies, clarify roles and responsibilities, promote program streamlining, build stronger linkages to WQS & TMDLs, modernize permit terms and data management, revise program performance measures, identify program areas where targeted technical assistance would be most beneficial, and attempt to solve some of the most intractable nutrients issues.

In December 2017, ACWA held the first Nutrients Permitting Workshop in Boise, Idaho. The Boise meeting consisted of presentations and discussion on various nutrients permitting topics. In June 2018, ACWA held the second Workshop in Columbus, Ohio. That meeting focused on the relationship between technology and permitting. The Workshop in Gulfport will focus on the relationship between TMDLs and permitting for nutrients.

### ATTENDEES

The Nutrients Permitting Workshop is a national event specifically organized by state and federal regulators for EPA and state program staff representatives. Attendees include:

- State program staff involved in managing nutrients programs
- EPA Headquarters and Regional staff involved in nutrient program management
- Partnering state and federal agency staff that provide technical and/or regulatory assistance to the nutrient programs
- Invited guests

### SPECIAL THANKS TO

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Water Environment Federation, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, and the Nutrients Permitting Workshop Planning Committee.

## **TUESDAY, November 6**

<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN</b>
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>REGISTRATION &amp; SIGN-IN</b>
<b>9:00 – 9:30 AM</b>	<b>WELCOME &amp; OPENING REMARKS (30 MIN)</b> Mark Patrick McGuire, Environmental Program Manager, Association of Clean Water Administrators TBA, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
<b>9:30 – 10:30 AM</b>	<b>TMDLs 101/Nutrients Permitting 101 – Familiarize permit writers with TMDLs and TMDL writers with NPDES to inform discussions for the rest of the workshop</b> Rosaura Conde – TMDLs stuff EPA Staff Member – Permitting
<b>10:30 – 10:45 AM</b>	<b>BREAK (15 MIN)</b>
<b>10:45 AM – 12:15 PM</b>	<b>Nutrient TMDLs – A few states can give examples of their nutrient TMDLs. How were they developed? How is it being implemented in the permit?</b> Mississippi Maryland Connecticut
<b>12:15 – 1:45 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN (90 MIN)</b>
<b>1:45 – 3:15 PM</b>	<b>TMDLs and permits for sources such as stormwater and CAFOs</b> EPA Staff States
<b>3:15 – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>BREAK (15 MIN)</b>
<b>3:30 – 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Permit Writer/TMDL Writer Coordination – Improving the Partnership</b>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>MEETING ADJOURN</b>
<b>5:30 – 7:00</b>	<b>HAPPY HOUR NETWORKING EVENT</b> TBA

## **WEDNESDAY, November 7**

<b>9:00 – 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Permit Writer/TMDL Writer Coordination – Identifying Solutions to Coordination Challenges</b>
<b>10:30 – 10:45 AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>10:45 PM – 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Outdated TMDLs – Challenges in Reassessing, Reevaluating, and Revising TMDLs for Nutrients</b>
<b>12:00 – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN (90 MIN)</b>
<b>1:30 – 2:30 PM</b>	<b>Pitfalls in Permitting – Narratives, Numerics, and TMDLs</b>

<b>2:30 – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Politics and Public Perception Permitting and TMDLs</b>
<b>3:45 – 4:00 PM</b>	<b>BREAK (15 MIN)</b>
<b>3:30 – 5:00 PM</b>	<b>TMDLs, Permitting, and Small Towns – Are all facilities to be treated Equally?</b> Grant Weaver Mike Tate/Tom Stiles Adam Schnieders
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>MEETING ADJOURN</b>

## ***THURSDAY, November 8***

<b>9:00 – 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Variances in 402 and 303d and Compliance Schedules</b> NEIWPC/Region 1
<b>10:30 – 10:45 AM</b>	<b>BREAK (15 MIN)</b>
<b>10:45 AM – 11:45 AM</b>	<b>Water Quality Trading, TMDLs, NPDES, NPS, and Nutrient Pollution</b> Connecticut (Point to Point) State (Point to non-point) Watershed?
<b>11:45 – 12:00 PM</b>	<b>WORKSHOP WRAP UP (15 MIN)</b> Mark Patrick McGuire, Environmental Program Manager, Association of Clean Water Administrators

*Enjoy the rest of your time in Gulfport  
and have a safe trip home!*