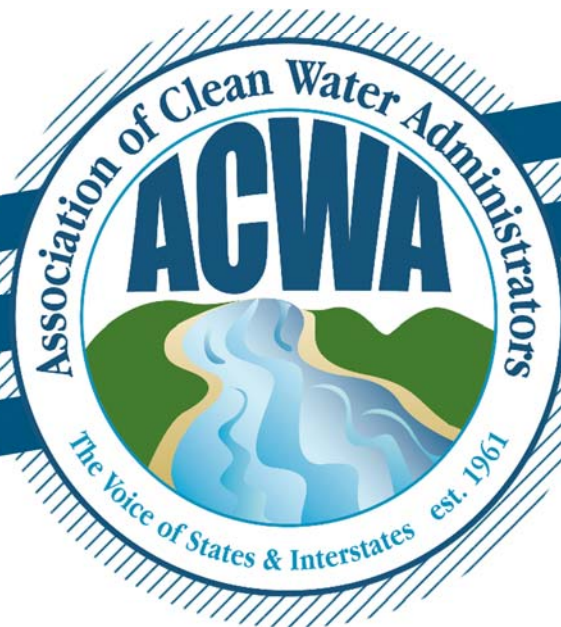


*Association of Clean Water Administrators*

# **58<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

The Hyatt Regency  
Austin, Texas  
August 27-29, 2019

# **Navigating & Targeting Water Quality Challenges**



## **SPECIAL THANKS TO**

The Annual Meeting Planning Committee: Allison Woodall (TX), Melanie Davenport (VA), Peter Goodmann (KY), Nicole Rowan (CO), Vivien Zhong (NC), and Koon Tang (NY).

# MONDAY, AUGUST 26

<b>12:00 – 5:00 PM</b>	<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING</b>
<b>6:00 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>LEADERSHIP DINNER</b>

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

## CLOSED SESSIONS

<b>7:30 - 8:30 AM</b>	<b>REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE</b>
<b>8:30 - 9:30 AM</b>	<b>NEW MEMBER/ FIRST TIME ATTENDEE BREAKFAST</b> New members and/or first-time attendees to the Annual Meeting are invited to join ACWA Board of Directors members for breakfast and to learn more about the association and the ways they can get involved.
<b>9:30 - 9:45 AM</b>	<b>WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS</b> Allison Woodall Special Welcome TBD
<b>9:45 - 10:15 AM</b>	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER</b> David Ross, invited
<b>10:15 - 10:30 AM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>10:30 AM - 12:00 PM</b>	<b>WATER REUSE</b> EPA will provide an update on development of the Action Plan and state representatives will address their priorities for water reuse in their states.
<b>12:00 - 1:30 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH PROVIDED FOR ATTENDEES</b>
<b>1:30 – 2:15 PM</b>	<b>NEW POLICY ON EPA OVERSIGHT OF DELEGATED PERMITTING PROGRAMS</b> EPA has been working on a new policy and framework for conducting oversight of delegated and approved permitting programs. Representatives from EPA will join ACWA to discuss the new policy and identify areas for further discussion as the agency moves forward.
<b>2:15 – 3:30 PM</b>	<b>EPA REGIONAL WATER PROGRAM DIRECTORS ROUNDTABLE</b> During this session Regional Program Directors will participate in a panel discussion focusing on key CWA issues and areas ripe for collaboration and cooperation in their regions.
<b>3:30 - 3:45 PM</b>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>3:45 - 5:15 PM</b>	<b>OWOW UPDATE ON KEY REGULATORY ACTIVITIES</b>

Staff from OWOW will join us to provide an update on key regulatory activities including 401, 404 and WOTUS, as well as provide details on the agency's plans to modernize the water quality certification process and solicit feedback from participants. State representatives will provide their views on how these changes will impact their programs.

**6:00 - 9:00 PM**

**BAT TOUR AND BOAT CRUISE**

All attendees are welcome to attend

## **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28**

### **CLOSED SESSIONS**

**8:00 - 9:00 AM**

**REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE**

**9:00 - 10:30 AM**

**COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOWS AND POST LONG-TERM CONTROL PLANS: PLANS FOR MOVING FORWARD**

At ACWA's Mid-Year meeting there was a discussion about the "presumptive approach" and the status of CSOs after they have completed all of their long-term control plan responsibilities. While there are not yet many CSOs in this situation, several states are starting to look out over the next couple of years and analyzing next steps.

**10:30 -11:00 AM**

**BREAK**

**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**PARTNERSHIP IN ACTION: USGS & STATES**

Representatives from USGS will provide updates on the future of water-quality work in the USGS Water Mission Area and recent findings of the NAWQA Regional Stream Quality Assessment study. Representatives from New York DEC will also join the panel to discuss their partnership with USGS on understanding harmful algal blooms (HABs).

**12:00 - 1:15 PM**

**AWARDS LUNCHEON**

Foothills Room II  
17th Floor

**1:15 - 2:30 PM**

**PFAS/PFOS AND STATES LEADING THE WAY**

How are states dealing with PFAS/PFOS in permits, biosolids, and water quality criteria?

**2:30 - 3:30 PM**

**ACWA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

**3:30 - 3:45 PM**

**BREAK**

**3:45 - 5:00 PM**

**UNDERSTANDING THE INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT ON CLEAN WATER ACT PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS**

EPA issued an interpretative statement concluding that all releases of pollutants from a point source to groundwater are excluded from the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program pursuant to Sections 301 and 402 of the Clean Water Act (Act). What does this new interpretation mean for states?

5:00 PM

DAY TWO WRAPS UP

6:30 – 9:00 PM

RECEPTION & WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE

Foothills Room II  
17th Floor

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

### CLOSED SESSIONS

8:00 - 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

9:00 - 10:30 AM

COMPLIANCE WITH CWA DEADLINES

This summer, the Office of Water issued a memo, *Policy for EPA Review and Action on Clean Water Act Program Submittals*, directing regional offices to comply with statutory deadlines for acting on state and tribal CWA submittals while improving responsiveness in the agency's oversight role. This policy applies to EPA's review of all CWA program submittals. Representatives from OST, OWOW and Region 6 will join us to discuss how each will work with states to implement the memo.

Deborah Nagle, Director, Office of Science & Technology, EPA Office of Water  
John Goodin, Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, EPA Office of Water  
Charles Maguire, Director, Water Division, EPA Region 6  
Adam Schnieders, Water Quality Resource Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources

10:30 - 11:00 AM

BREAK

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

LEAD & COPPER RULE & CLEAN WATER ACT NEXUS

As EPA works to update the lead and copper rule, it is important for state water quality programs to understand what the implications of the new rules may be on meeting their CWA obligations. Representatives from EPA will join Colorado in discussing the potential implications for state clean water programs.

Nicole Rowan, Clean Water Program Manager, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

12:00 PM

CLOSING STATEMENTS/ ANNUAL MEETING ADJOURNS

THANKS FOR JOINING US AT THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING!  
SAFE TRAVELS HOME AND SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

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