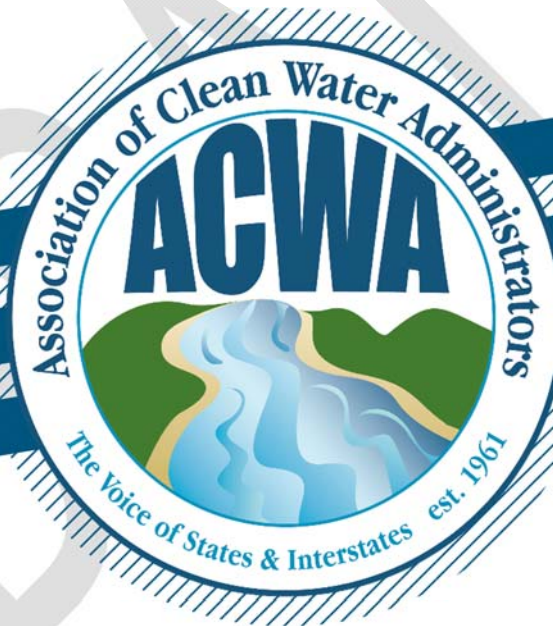


Association of Clean Water Administrators
2019 Mid – Year Meeting

**Hilton Alexandria Old Town
Alexandria, Virginia
March 19-20, 2019**



MONDAY, MARCH 18

Madison Room (Mezzanine Level)

12:00-5:00 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00-9:00 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS/COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP DINNER

The Warehouse

214 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Grand Ballroom Salon A & B Foyer

7:00-9:00 AM

REGISTRATION/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Grand Ballroom Salons A & B

9:00-9:45 AM

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Allison Woodall, ACWA President, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

David Ross, Assistant Administrator Office of Water

Donald Welsh, Executive Director, ECOS

9:45-10:45 AM

ACWA/ASDWA CONTAMINANTS OF EMERGING CONCERN ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

Over the past few months volunteers from ACWA and ASDWA have worked on developing an assessment framework for state regulators as they encounter contaminants of emerging concern. The goal is to improve the emerging contaminants assessment process, better engage the Federal statutes that regulate the introduction of substances into commerce for source control purposes, better coordinate SDWA and CWA interventions to optimize the control of impacts across the entire water cycle. Representatives from the workgroup will join us to provide an update on the results of their work.

Jennifer Wigal, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Brandon Kernen, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Leslie McGeorge, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

10:45-11:00 AM

BREAK

11:00 AM-12:15 PM

ROLE OF STATES IN PROMOTING WATER REUSE

As water resources become more constrained, states are seeking innovative approaches to water reuse. What role do state regulators play in promoting these new innovative approaches and what barriers or challenges must be overcome to ensure success.

Shellie Chard, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

Jeff Lape, EPA Office of Science and Technology, Office of Water

Allison Woodall, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Alan Roberson, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Grand Ballroom Salon A & B Foyer

12:15-1:30 PM

LUNCH PROVIDED TO ATTENDEES

Grand Ballroom Salons A & B

1:30-2:45 PM

PARTNER ASSOCIATIONS DISCUSSION

Representatives from ACWA's state partner organizations will join in a moderated panel discussion focusing on key CWA issues and areas ripe for collaboration and cooperation.

Melanie Davenport, Director, Water Division, VA DEQ
Alan Roberson, Executive Director, ASDWA
Dan Yates, Deputy Executive Director, GWPC
Marla Stelk, Executive Director, ASWM
Alex Schaffer, Legislative Director, NGA

2:45-3:00 PM

BREAK

3:00-4:15 PM

A VIEW FROM CAPITAL HILL

What lies ahead in the 116th Congress? Will water make the short list? Will we see CWA amendments? A new infrastructure fund? How will the budget look for EPA? This panel will touch on the prospects for these and other important issues.

Shellie Chard, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality
John Pawlow, Minority Senior Counsel, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
Ryan Seiger, Majority Senior Counsel, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
Christophe Tulou, Senior Minority Counsel, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee

4:15 -- 5:30 PM

WHAT'S NEXT NOW THAT INTEGRATED PLANNING IS NOW LAW

Congress recently enacted law that codified EPA's 2012 policy framework that sought to ease municipalities' compliance with wastewater and stormwater requirements on a pollution-reduction priority basis, rather than all at once. Now that Integrated Planning is law, what role can states play in facilitating its implementation.

Tiffani Kavalec, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Judy Sheehan, US Conference of Mayors
Nathan Gardner-Andrews, National Association of Clean Water Administrators
Chris Kloss, US EPA, Office of Wastewater Management

5:30 PM

WRAP UP DAY 1

Grand Ballroom Salon A & B Foyer

6:30-8:00 PM

RECEPTION FOR ATTENDEES AND INVITED GUESTS

CLOSED SESSIONS – OPEN TO STATES,

EPA OFFICE OF WATER PARTNERS, AND INVITED GUESTS ONLY

Grand Ballroom Salon A & B Foyer

8:00-9:00 AM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Grand Ballroom Salons A & B

8:30—9:30 AM

INNOVATIVE STATE NUTRIENT REDUCTION APPROACHES

States have been very active in attempting new and unique methods to reduce nutrient pollution outside of numeric nutrient criteria. Presenters will offer case studies describing how their states have managed reductions in nutrient loads through strategic partnerships, market-based methods, incentive programs, and more.

Adam Schnieders, Water Quality Resource Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Anna Wildeman, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA

Chris Wieberg, Director, Water Protection Program, Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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

9:30-10:15 AM

HOT TOPICS DISCUSSION

Representatives from ACWA and EPA will lead dialogues on 4 current priorities. The goals of these intensive discussions are to solicit input from attendees, identify opportunities for collaboration, and identify prospective strategic issues for the coming year. Attendees will be encouraged to participate in the discussions by asking questions and providing input.

Moderator:

Allison Woodall, ACWA President, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

1. **Significant Non-Compliance (SNC)**

Dan Palmer, Deputy Director, Planning Measures and Oversight Division, Office of Compliance, EPA

2. **304(a) Joint Prioritization**

Connie Brower, MSA Co-Chair, North Carolina Department of Natural Resources
Colleen Flaherty, Deputy Director, Health and Ecological Criteria Division, EPA Office of Water

10:15-10:30 AM

BREAK

10:30-11:00 AM

3. **Waters of the U.S. Step 2**

4. **Combined Sewer Overflow – Are they in compliance?**

Andrew Sawyers, Director, Office of Wastewater Management, EPA

Peter Goodmann, Director, Division of Water, Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

PROGRAM AND PERMIT OVERSIGHT

ECOS and EPA have been working to identify a set of principles outlining the ways in EPA should oversee delegated program implementation in order to improve environmental outcomes and maximize efficiency. This session will provide an update on these efforts.

Carolyn Hanson, Deputy Director, Environmental Council of States
Martha Shimkin, Deputy Director, Office of Wastewater Management, EPA
Elizabeth Kingsland, Chief, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection

12:00 PM

WRAP UP & CLOSING REMARKS

SAFE TRAVELS HOME & WE HOPE TO SEE YOU at the 2019 ANNUAL MEETING, AUGUST 27-29, 2019!

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