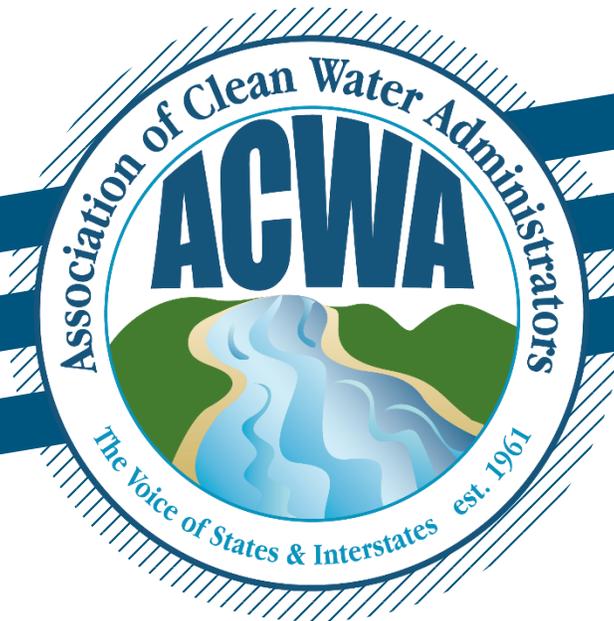


Association of Clean Water Administrators

58th 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), Lee Currey, (MD), Nicole Rowan (CO), Vivien Zhong (NC), and Koon Tang (NY).

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Hill Country Ballroom – Lobby level

12:00 – 5:00 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00 – 9:00 PM

LEADERSHIP DINNER

Iron Cactus Mexican Grill & Margarita Bar
606 Trinity St, Austin, TX 78701

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

CLOSED SESSIONS

Zilker North Lobby/Zilker Terrace

7:30 – 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

9:00 - 9:45 AM

NEW MEMBER/ FIRST TIME ATTENDEE BREAKFAST

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.

Zilker Ballroom 1

9:45 – 10:15 AM

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Allison Woodall, *ACWA President, Special Assistant, Office of Water Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*

Special Guests:

L'Oreal W. Stepney, P.E., *Deputy Director for the Office of Water, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*

Chairman Jon Niermann, *Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*

10:15 - 10:30 AM

BREAK

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

WATER REUSE

States representatives will address the roll water reuse plays in their states and their priorities for water reuse going forward. Additionally, EPA will provide an update on development of the Water Reuse Action Plan and solicit feedback from the audience on the proposed plan.

Moderator:

Erica Gaddis, *Director, Division of Water Quality, Utah Department of Environmental Quality*

Speakers:

Shellie Chard, *Director, Water Quality Division, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality*

Mary Anne Nelson, *Administrator, Water Quality Division, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality*

Jeff Lape, *Deputy Director, Office of Science and Technology, EPA Office of Water*

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

Zilker Terrace

12:00 - 1:30 PM

LUNCH PROVIDED FOR ATTENDEES

Zilker Ballroom 1

1:30 – 2:15 PM

NEW POLICY ON EPA OVERSIGHT OF DELEGATED PERMITTING PROGRAMS

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.

Moderator:

Tom Stiles, *Director, Bureau of Water, Kansas Department of Health and Environment*

Speakers:

Andrew Sawyers, *Director, Office of Wastewater Management, EPA Office of Water*

Tom Stiles, *Director, Bureau of Water, Kansas Department of Health and Environment*

2:15 – 3:30 PM

EPA REGIONAL WATER PROGRAM DIRECTORS ROUNDTABLE

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.

Moderator:

Jennifer Wigal, *Water Quality Deputy Administrator, OR Department of Environmental Quality*

Speakers:

Jeananne Gettle, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 4*

Joan Tanaka, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 5*

Jeffery Robichaud, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 7*

Tomas Torres, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 9*

3:30 - 3:45 PM

BREAK

3:45 - 5:00 PM

OWOW UPDATE ON KEY REGULATORY ACTIVITIES

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.

Moderator:

Melanie Davenport, *Director, Water Division, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality*

Speakers:

John Goodin, *Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, EPA Office of Water*

Melanie Davenport, *Director, Water Division, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality*

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

Zilker North Lobby/Zilker Terrace

REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

9:00 - 10:30 AM

Zilker Ballroom 1

COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOWS AND PRESUMPTIVE APPROACH: 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 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.

Moderator:

Peter Goodman, *Director, Division of Water, Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection*

Speakers:

Peter Goodman, *Director, Division of Water, Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection*

Andrew Sawyers, *Director, Office of Wastewater Management, EPA Office of Water*

Deborah Nagle, *Director, Office of Science & Technology, EPA Office of Water*

Martha Clark Mettler, *Assistant Commissioner, Office of Water, Indiana Department of Environmental Management*

10:30 -11:00 AM

BREAK

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

PARTNERSHIP IN ACTION: USGS & STATES

The 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 discuss their partnership with USGS on understanding harmful algal blooms (HABs).

Moderator:

Frances Bothfeld, *Environmental Analyst, ACWA*

Speakers:

Peter VanMetre, *Deputy Program Coordinator, National Water Quality Program, United States Geological Survey*

Jacqueline Lendrum, *Research Scientist, New York Department of Environmental Conservation*

Foothills Room II – 17th Floor

12:00 - 1:15 PM

AWARDS LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

Zilker Ballroom 1

1:15 – 2:30 PM

PFAS: How States are Leading the Way

State PFAS experts will provide updates and examples on how their state is addressing PFAS. They will go over dealing with legislative mandates, PFAS in biosolids, and creating PFAS pretreatment programs.

Moderator:

Connie Brower, *Water Quality Standards Coordinator, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality*

Speakers:

Teresa Seidel, *Director, Water Resources Division, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy*

Pete LaFlamme, *Director, Watershed Management Division, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation*

Julie Grzyb, *Supervisor, NPDES Complex Permitting, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality*

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?

Moderator:

Mark Patrick McGuire, *Environmental Program Manager, Association of Clean Water Administrators*

Speakers:

Sally Gutierrez, *Acting Director, Water Permits Division, Office of Wastewater Management, EPA Office of Water*

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

Carin Spreitzer, *Associate Attorney, Office of General Counsel, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation*

5:00 PM

DAY TWO WRAPS UP

Foothills Room II – 17th Floor

6:30 – 9:00 PM

RECEPTION & WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

CLOSED SESSIONS

Zilker North Lobby/Zilker Terrace

8:00 - 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION/ CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

Zilker Ballroom 1

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 Regions 1 and 6 will join us to discuss how each will work with states to implement the memo.

Moderator:

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

Speakers:

Deborah Nagle, *Director, Office of Science & Technology, EPA Office of Water*

John Goodin, *Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, EPA Office of Water*

Ken Moraff, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 1*

Charles Maguire, *Director, Water Division, EPA Region 6*

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

Jill Csekitz, *Technical Specialist, Water Quality Planning Division, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*

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 ASDWA will join Colorado in discussing the potential implications for state clean water programs.

Moderator:

Mark Patrick McGuire, *Environmental Program Manager, Association of Clean Water Administrators*

Speakers:

Wendi Wilkes, *Senior Policy Analyst, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators*

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