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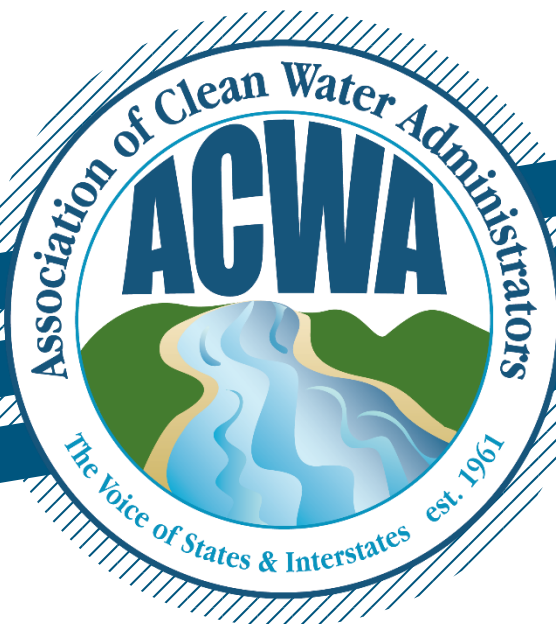
# **2026 Mid-Year Meeting**

**March 24-26, 2026**

**KEEPING THE VISION OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT IN FOCUS**

*Highlighting strong partnerships, regulatory innovations, resilient strategies, and modern policies  
to ensure the CWA's promise in a changing world*

**CLOSED SESSION FOR STATES/INTERSTATE REPRESENTATIVES ONLY**



## TUESDAY, MARCH 24

12:00 – 5:00 PM ET

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00 – 9:00 PM ET

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND LEADERSHIP DINNER

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

**THIS IS A CLOSED MEETING – STATE/ INTERSTATE PROGRAM STAFF, OFFICE OF WATER PARTNERS AND OTHER INVITED GUESTS ONLY**

8:00 – 9:00 AM

REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:30 AM

WELCOME & KEYNOTE

**Shelly Lemon**, Surface Water Quality Bureau Chief, New Mexico Environment Department, ACWA President

**Jessica Krammer**, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (*invited*)

9:30 – 11:00 AM

**Aligning Priorities: EPA Office Director Updates**

The Office Directors from the Office of Water and the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance will join us to discuss their priorities for the coming year and highlight areas for collaboration and coordination with the states and interstates.

**Brian Frazer**, Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, Office of Water

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

**Jacqueline Werner**, Director, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (*invited*)

**David Travers**, Director, Office of Water Emergency Response and Cybersecurity

11:00 – 11:15 AM

BREAK

11:15 – 12:15 PM

**HOT TOPICS IN CWA LITIGATION**

The session will focus on the latest legal developments and challenges in the field of clean water law. The session will cover a range of topics impacting state water quality programs.

12:15 – 2:00 PM

LUNCH

2:00 – 3:00 PM

**STAKEHOLDERS' PERSPECTIVES: POLICY PRIORITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION**

As we move into 2026, panelists from organizations representing key stakeholder groups will join us to discuss their organizations' priorities for federal CWA policy and participate in a discussion on data center development focusing on issues such as gaps in policy or regulations or barriers to development.

**Tracy Mehan**, Executive Director of Government Affairs, American Water Works Association (*invited*)

**Cy McNeill**, Senior Director, Federal Affairs, the Data Center Coalition

**Bruno Pigott**, Executive Director, the WaterReuse Association

**Carolyn Berndt**, Legislative Director, Sustainability, the National League of Cities (*invited*)

**3:00 – 3:30 PM**

**BREAK**

**3:30 – 5:00 PM**

**STATES ONLY DISCUSSION**

**5:00 PM**

**ADJOURN**

## THURSDAY, MARCH 26

**THIS IS A CLOSED MEETING – STATE/ INTERSTATE PROGRAM STAFF, OFFICE OF WATER PARTNERS AND OTHER INVITED GUESTS ONLY**

**8:00 – 9:00 AM**

**REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**

**9:00 – 10:00 AM**

**A VIEW FROM THE HILL**

What lies ahead for Congress? Will we see amendments to the CWA? This panel will touch on the prospects for these and other important issues happening on Capitol Hill.

**10:00 – 10:30 AM**

**BREAK**

**10:30 – 12:00 PM**

**UPDATES FROM ACWA'S STATE PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS**

Representatives from ACWA's state partner organizations – The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), the Association of Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA), the Western States Water Council (WSWC) and the Groundwater Protection Council (GWPC) will join in a moderated panel discussion focusing on key issues and areas ripe for collaboration.

**Ben Grumbles**, Executive Director, Environmental Council of the States (*invited*)

**Anthony DeRosa**, Executive Director, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators

**Dan Yates**, Executive Director, Groundwater Protection Council

**J.D. Strong**, Executive Director, Western States Water Council

**12:00 PM**

**ADJOURN**

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ACWA ANNUAL MEETING!

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