



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS SEMINAR

Thursday, February 15, 2024

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center – 625 Rolling Meadows Dr, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

This seminar provides municipal officials, treatment plant operators, consultants, and government employees with an overview and update of current issues facing permitted dischargers in Wisconsin. Coverage on a wide array of environmental issues is presented by recognized experts within the water-quality field.

GENERAL SEMINAR INFORMATION

Fee: \$80.00 Pre-Registration ends on February 9, 2024
\$100.00 Day of Seminar or after February 9, 2024
(Both fees include program materials, breaks, and lunch)

Pay and Register On-Line: <https://cswea.wufoo.com/forms/2024-wi-government-affairs-seminar/>
Same Day Registration: Begins on site at 7:30 AM

Credits: **WDNR CEU** - 6 hours Wastewater; 6 hours Municipal Waterworks
PDH - Available upon request

Lodging: Each registrant is responsible for their own hotel reservations. Make your reservations as soon as possible for the best rates. Radisson Hotel 920-923-1440 **HOTEL BLOCK CODE:** Government Affairs Seminar

COMMITTEE

Ben Brooks, Superintendent, Wausau WWTF
Brent Brown, P.E., Project Manager, Jacobs Engineering
Brett Bevers, P.E., Regional Sales Mgr, Centrisys
Lisa Creegan, Wastewater Specialist, WDNR
Sam Hocevar, P.E., Project Engineer, Strand Associates
Jennifer Jerich, Wastewater Specialist, WDNR
Leo Kucek, Project Manager, Applied Technologies, Inc.
Kathy Lake, P.E., Pollution Prevention Mgr, MadisonMSD
Nick Lent, Wastewater Engineer, WDNR
Cody Schoepke, Superintendent, Fond du Lac WTRRF
Jeff Smudde, Dir. Environmental Programs, NEW Water
Sharon Thieszen, Field Services Manager, NEW Water
Chris Tippery, P.E., Senior Project Manager, raSmith
Vanessa Wishart, Attorney, Stafford Rosenbaum LLP

SPEAKERS

Lisa Creegan, WDNR
Matt Claucherty, WDNR
Jerry Deschane, League of WI Municipalities
Zach Eisner, City of Waukesha
Amy Garbe, WDNR
Dr. Rosa Gwinn, AECOM
Laura James, WDNR
Jason Knutson, WDNR
Rob Lee, Midwest Environmental Advocates
Dustin Maas, Jacobs
Ezra Meyer, WDNR
Eric Olson- UW-Stevens Point
Tom Pluess, Village of East Troy
Dr. Charles Schaefer, CDM Smith
Nate Willis, WDNR
Vanessa Wishart, MEG Wastewater



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

8:00 Welcome / Opening Remarks
Ben Brooks, WWOA

Keynote

Moderator: Lisa Creegan

8:05 Keynote
Eric Olson, UW-Stevens Point

Funding Updates

Moderator: Chris Tippery

8:35 BIL Funding through Clean Water Fund: Updates, Climate Resiliency Planning, and Funding Nonpoint Projects
Lisa Creegan, WDNR
Ezra Meyer, WDNR
Laura James, WDNR

9:05 BREAK (15 minutes)

PFAS Panel

Moderator: Sharon Thieszen

9:20 Regulatory Update
Vanessa Wishart, MEG Wastewater

9:30 WI DNR PFAS Update
Amy Garbe, WDNR
Nate Willis, WDNR

9:50 PFAS Perspectives
Dr. Rosa Gwinn, AECOM
Dr. Charles Schaefer, CDM Smith
Rob Lee, Midwest Environmental Advocates

10:50 PFAS Panel Discussion and Q&A

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Updates

Moderator: Jeff Smudde

11:15 DNR Update and Awards
Jason Knutson, WDNR

12:00 LUNCH AND NETWORKING

Wisconsin Legislative Updates

Moderator: Chris Tippery

1:30 Municipal Legislative Update
Jerry Deschane, League of WI Municipalities

2:30 BREAK (15 minutes)

WI Phosphorus Update and Real Compliance

Moderator: Leo Kucek

2:45 Phosphorus Implementation and Compliance Updates
Matt Claucherty, WDNR

3:00 Real Compliance Stories
Zach Eisner, City of Waukesha
Dustin Maas, Jacobs
Tom Pluess, Village of East Troy

3:40 Closing Remarks / Seminar Adjourns
Cody Schoepke, WWOA

QUESTIONS?

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