### **PROGRAM AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION**



# **98TH ANNUAL MEETING**

MAY 28-30, 2025 | MONONA TERRACE, MADISON, WI





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## Welcome to the 98TH ANNUAL MEETING



**Troy Larson** CSWEA President 2024-2025

The Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) is pleased to welcome you to the CSWEA's 98th Annual meeting at the Monona Terrace in Madison, WI. Our theme is *One Water for All*. We applaud those in our industry that are preserving our water resources for all who need it and are welcoming anyone with interest into our water workforce!

This is the last stop in Madison before the 100th Annual Conference that will be held in Illinois in 2027, and we are going to raise the bar to start the countdown towards that centennial event. This event is ambitious, as we want to have a memorable and valuable experience for all the members of CSWEA who join us. The Young Professionals (YPs) will be front and center in this conference, as they have been for years. This year, the YPs are planning many things, including a service project at the Henry Villas Zoo!

This year's local tours are going to be memorable as well. We will tour the Sun Prairie Water Pollution Control Facility and the stormwater tour will be on the grounds of Epic in Verona, an extraordinary campus that will serve as a backdrop to conversations on stormwater management.

Other events we are hosting include a golf outing at the scenic Pleasant Prairie Golf Club and a 5K run for those looking for some activity. Rick Wilcox, who is nationally renowned at his craft, will entertain our crowd at the Meet and Greet Social Hour. The social hour will be held in an extraordinary space within the Madison Public Library with views of the Wisconsin Capital.

Presentations will kick off with a keynote from Kyle Dreyfuss-Wells from the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, who will provide their perspective on One Water For All. As always, the technical committee has put together an exceptional show, where technical experts from the Central States area and beyond will share their thoughts on many different topics central to our water workforce. We will have an operations track for the people who are interested in practical applications, as well as an ethics track for those in need of refresher credits.

Our exhibitors will be available for two days in the exhibit hall, where they will be happy to talk about the latest and greatest as well as the tried and true of their offerings. Please support them, as they are instrumental to the success of the organization!

There will be a silent auction, where we will raise money and awareness for the Global Water Stewardship (GWS). We will also celebrate the success of our Operations Competition Teams and will offer opportunities for people to try some of the competitions that they are working to master while making the membership proud. Finally, the Banquet Dinner is a great opportunity to network and share gratitude for those that are doing so much to improve our industry.

Many thanks to the LAC under the leadership of Cathy Wunderlich and the technical committee led by Steven Graziano. Thanks also to the Executive Committee, Haque Associates, and the Association and State Section Committees that do so much for the organization and work so hard to put together an extraordinary annual conference. I hope you enjoy your time with us in Madison!

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### **Conference at a Glance**

| WEDNESDAY, MAY 28 | ACTIVITY                        | LOCATION                        | ADDRESS                                |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 10:00 am-4:00 pm  | Pre-Conference Workshop         | Monona Terrace, Halls MNQR      | 1 John Nolen Drive, Madison, WI        |
| 10:00 am-3:00 pm  | Golf Outing                     | Pleasant View Golf Course       | 1322 Pleasant View Road, Middleton, WI |
| 12:30 pm-3:30 pm  | Stormwater Tour                 | Epic Systems Headquarters       | 1979 Milky Way, Verona, WI             |
| 1:00 pm-3:00 pm   | Plant Tour                      | Sun Prairie Wastewater Facility | 3040 Bailey Road, Sun Prairie, WI      |
| 1:00 pm-3:30 pm   | YP Service Project              | Henry Vilas Zoo                 | 702 South Randall Avenue, Madison, WI  |
| 6:00 pm-9:00 pm   | Social Meet and Greet           | Madison Public Library          | 201 West Mifflin Street, Madison, WI   |
| THURSDAY, MAY 29  | ACTIVITY                        | LOCATION                        | ROOM                                   |
| 6:30 am-7:45 am   | Jim Shaw Memorial 5k Run/Walk   | Lake Monona Bike Path           |  |
| 8:00 am-8:45 am   | Opening Session and Keynote     | Monona Terrace                  | Grand Terrace                          |
| 9:00 am-6:00 pm   | Exhibits                        | Monona Terrace                  | Ballroom ABCD                          |
| 9:00 am-10:00 am  | Technical Sessions              | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ                   |
| 10:00 am-11:00 am | Morning Break/Poster Sessions I | Monona Terrace                  | Capital Promenade                      |
| 11:00 am-12:00 pm | Technical Sessions              | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ                   |
| 12:00 pm-1:00 pm  | Exhibitor Lunch                 | Monona Terrace                  | Ballroom ABCD                          |
| 1:00 pm-2:00 pm   | Technical Sessions              | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ                   |
| 2:00 pm-2:30 pm   | Break/Poster Sessions II        | Monona Terrace                  | Capital Promenade                      |
| 2:30 pm-3:30 pm   | Technical Sessions              | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ                   |
| 3:30 pm-3:45 pm   | 7S Meeting                      | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas EH                       |
| 3:45 pm-4:00 pm   | Golden Manhole Society          | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas FI                       |
| 4:00 pm-4:30 pm   | YP/New Member Meeting           | Monona Terrace                  | Hall of Ideas G                        |
| 4:00 pm-6:00 pm   | Exhibitor Reception             | Monona Terrace                  | Ballroom ABCD                          |
| 6:30 pm-7:00 pm   | Awards Reception                | Monona Terrace                  | Grand Terrace                          |
| 7:00 pm-9:00 pm   | Annual Awards Event             | Monona Terrace                  | Grand Terrace                          |
| FRIDAY, MAY 30    | ACTIVITY                        | LOCATION                        | ROOM                                   |
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| 7:00 am-8:00 am   | State Section Breakfasts                   | Monona Terrace | Meeting Rooms M-R    |
| 8:00 am-8:45 am   | Annual Association Business Meeting        | Monona Terrace | Meeting Rooms M-R    |
| 9:00 am-12:00 pm  | Exhibits                                   | Monona Terrace | Ballroom ABCD        |
| 9:00 am-10:00 am  | Technical Sessions/Operators Track         | Monona Terrace | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ |
| 10:00 am-11:00 am | Morning Break                              | Monona Terrace | Hall of Ideas        |
| 11:00 am          | Silent Auction Bids Due                    | Monona Terrace | Ballroom ABCD        |
| 11:00 am-12:00 am | Technical Sessions/Operators Track         | Monona Terrace | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ |
| 12:00 pm-1:30 pm  | Annual Association<br>Meeting and Luncheon | Monona Terrace | Grand Terrace        |
| 1:30 pm-3:30 pm   | Technical Sessions/Ethics                  | Monona Terrace | Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ |
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| <b>REGISTRATION HOURS</b> | DATE              | LOCATION               |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 10:00 am-4:30 pm          | Wednesday, May 28 | Monona Terrace         |
| 6:00 pm-9:00 pm           | Wednesday, May 28 | Madison Public Library |
| 8:00 am-5:00 pm           | Thursday, May 29  | Monona Terrace         |
| 8:00 am-4:00 pm           | Friday, May 30    | Monona Terrace         |
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| EXHIBIT HALL              | DATE              |                        |
| 2:00 pm-6:00 pm           | Wednesday, May 28 | Exhibitor Set-Up       |
| 6:00 am-9:00 am           | Thursday, May 29  | Exhibitor Set-Up       |
| 9:00 am-6:00 pm           | Thursday, May 29  | Exhibit Hall Open      |
| 9:00 am-12:00 pm          | Friday, May 30    | Exhibit Hall Open      |
| 12:00 pm-3:00 pm          | Friday, May 30    | Exhibitor Move Out     |

### **Local Arrangements Committee**

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### **PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP**

## Advancing Nutrient Trading within the Circular Water Economy

Wednesday, May 28 | 10:00 am-4:00 pm | Monona Terrace, Halls MNQR \$30 with Annual Meeting Registration | \$50 for Workshop Only | Limited Space

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n response to the challenges posed by nutrient pollution, some states have implemented water quality trading programs. These programs allow regulated entities to buy offsets for permit compliance. Generally, these programs will remove more nutrients from watersheds as a whole than what is required in effluent limits.

Wisconsin and Iowa have been at the forefront of water quality trading in the Midwest. These programs have focused on reducing nutrient pollution in the Mississippi River Basin. By creating a market for pollution credits, these states have encouraged innovative and cost-effective solutions to water quality problems. **Wisconsin's Nutrient Trading Program:** This program allows point source dischargers to buy and sell nutrient credits, which can be generated through various measures, including advanced wastewater treatment technologies, agricultural best management practices, and wetland restoration.

**Iowa's Nutrient Reduction Strategy:** Iowa has implemented a comprehensive strategy to reduce nutrient pollution, including a nutrient trading program that allows farmers to generate and sell nutrient reduction credits.

**Now Illinois is beginning a water quality trading program.** This new approach offers WWTP's Nutrient Reduction Offset Credits for

### Nutrient Trading Pre-Conference Workshop (Continued)

reducing nutrient pollution through the implementation of landscape best management practices. These credits can be used to offset future nutrient discharge limits in its NPDES permits. This creates a partnership between the Districts and area farmers and landowners, and promotes early adoption by including a "nutrient bank" for use in future permit years.

Join us for a dynamic workshop focused on nutrient trading, addressing agricultural nutrient management through the circular water economy. Nutrient trading is a market-based approach to reduce nutrients in water bodies by allowing wastewater treatment plants to obtain nutrient reduction credits from farmers and landowners. This system enables entities that can reduce pollutants at lower costs to sell credits to those facing higher reduction costs (EPA).

This event will highlight challenges around nutrient reduction within the framework of the *Clean Water Act* and existing nutrient trading programs, foster a better understanding of the challenges of farmers, and begin conversations around concrete solutions to the existing problems. Experts from IL, WI, and other states in the Mississippi River basin will present their nutrient reduction strategies, offering insights into successful policies and practices.

We will examine the science and effectiveness of this approach, implementation in three States, and provide opportunity to take immediate action towards setting up your own opportunities. The watershed approach to water quality management has proven to be a valuable tool in addressing complex environmental challenges. As we continue to face increasing pressures on our water resources, it is essential to adopt a holistic perspective that considers the interconnectedness of our waterways.

This workshop offers unique opportunities for wastewater treatment plant representatives, industry, farmers, landowners and regulators to collaborate and explore actionable solutions for water quality issues.

#### Workshop Goals

- 1. Identify concrete lessons in nutrient trading you can implement in your operation.
- 2. Create multiple connections to follow up on implementation of a watershed-focused program.
- 3. Help determine opportunities for national water quality efforts.

### AGENDA

### 10:00 am-11:00 am Molecular Circularity and the Gulf of Hypoxia

- 10:00 am-10:30 am | Molecular Circularity Chemical composition/description of water, nitrogen, phosphorus – 1. Wastewater treatment system
  - 2. Cyanobacteria plant growth harmful algae blooms. **University of Wisconsin-Madison**
- 10:30 am-11:00 am | Gulf of Hypoxia The second largest zone of coastal hypoxia (oxygen-depleted waters) in the world is found on the Northern Gulf of Mexico, adjacent to the outflows of the Mississippi and Atchafalaya Rivers. The zone is set to increase by 5%. (ResearchGate). Upper Mississippi River Basin Association (UMBRA)

### 11:00 am-12:00 pm Mississippi River Basin Perspectives

- 11:00 am-11:45 am | Panel Discussion with Local Representatives Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Northern Moraine WRD Other Speakers TBA
- 11:45 am-12:00 pm | Q&A with the Audience

12:00 pm-1:00 pm Lunch Spotlight: Walton Family Foundation

### 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Circular Water and Existing Solutions

- 1:00 pm-1:10 pm | Overview of circular water economy as the framework aimed at improving water sustainability – closing water loops by reducing waste, reusing water, and optimizing nutrient cycles.
  - Water Environment Federation
- 1:10 pm-1:45 pm | Panel Discussion: A Look at Biosolids, Watersheds, Public-Private-Partnerships Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District Other speakers TBA
- 1:45 pm-2:00 pm | Q&A with the Audience

#### 2:00 pm-2:15 pm | Coffee Break

#### 2:15 pm-3:45 pm | Pathway Dialogues

- 2:15 pm-2:45 pm | Rapid Exchanges | 6 minutes each lowa Department of Natural Resources
  Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource Other speakers TBA
- 2:45 pm-3:45 pm | World Cafe (Report-Out) Round-table discussions with reports of the talks.

### 3:45 pm-4:00 pm Closing and Next Steps

### **Conference Highlights**

#### Wednesday, May 28

#### **GOLF OUTING**

Pleasant View Golf Course | 10:00 am to 3:00 pm 1322 Pleasant View Road, Middleton, WI 53562



Situated on hills approximately 300 feet above Lake Mendota, Pleasant View Golf Course provides a panoramic view of the City of Madison, WI. The course offers 27 holes of well-maintained, championship golf, a nine hole, scenic par 3 course, and an outstanding practice range. The course was awarded the Gold in *Madison Magazine's* Best of Golf Courses for 2018, 2019, and 2020.

For corporate sponsorship opportunities or for outing details, contact Mel Butcher, Golf Outing Coordinator, at mbutcher@carollo.com.

### **STORMWATER TOUR**

Epic Systems Headquarters | 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm 1979 Milky Way, Verona, WI 53593 Bus transportation provided



#### Itinerary:

12:15 pm: Check-in at Monona Terrace 12:30 pm: Bus departs from Monona Terrace 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm: Tour of Epic Campus 3:30 pm: Bus drops off attendees at Monona Terrace

Epic's campus in Verona, WI covers 1,670 acres, including 89 buildings, a working farm, and utility systems to support operations. Like their software products, Epic's campus focuses on quality, reliability, and innovation, including green roofs, solar power, geothermal systems, and more. Several individuals from Epic's facilities team will lead a tour that will be a combination of walking and bus travel to view various points of interest around Epic's campus. Tour highlights may include the following: design and operation of multi-use stormwater ponds, infiltration practices, and 40+ acres of green roofs, operation of wastewater conveyance systems including a lift station that serves an 11,400-seat auditorium and greasy waste tanks that manage waste from the seven on-campus eateries that serve 10,000+ meals per day, and much more!

Transportation is included in the tour sign-up. Please do not arrange for private transport so we can efficiently coordinate the tour logistics while on Epic's campus. The tour bus will begin at and return to the Monona Terrace upon conclusion.

#### PLANT TOUR

Sun Prairie Wastewater Facility | 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm 3040 Bailey Road, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

The Sun Prairie Wastewater Treatment Facility serves the community of Sun Prairie, one of the fastest growing communities in Wisconsin with a current population at 39,419. The facility meets strict effluent permit limits utilizing BNR activated sludge and anaerobic digestion. The facility treats approximately 4 million gallons of water, produces 90,000 cubic feet of



gas, and generates 13 cubic yards of biosolids daily. The facility was originally constructed in 1982 with upgrades in 2002, 2005, and 2022. The most recent upgrade added new horizontal dry pit submersible influent pumps, an additional fine screen and wash press, additional primary clarifiers, primary gravity thickener/fermenter, additional secondary clarifiers, and cloth disc filters. The facility is currently in the design phase for a 2025 upgrade that will address biosolids handling. The future solids handling facility will feature a pre-digestion Class A biosolids process, an ELODE dewatering device, a solar dryer with in floor heat, and pelletizing of the material.

After the tour, attendees can gather at the downtown Great Dane Pub & Brewing Company. No shuttle bus will be arranged. Attendees will need to drive or carpool.

#### YP SERVICE PROJECT Henry Vilas Zoo | 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm 702 South Randall Avenue, Madison, WI 53715

Come spend the afternoon at the Henry Vilas Zoo and work alongside other CSWEA volunteers! The Henry Vilas Zoo is one of the few free Zoos across the country with staff and supporters dedicated to conserving and protecting the wonders of the natural living world. The Vilas family donated the land on which the Zoo stands in 1904 and is named after the Vilas' son,



Henry, who passed away at a young age. The family stipulated the park be free to the public and has been enjoyed by Madison locals and tourists alike for over 100 years. We will be working with the Zoo's horticulturist and help with planting, weeding, mulching, and other tasks for the day.

Materials and tools will be provided. Be sure to wear closed toe shoes and clothing appropriate for outdoor work. Bring a reusable water bottle to fill. For more information about this year's project, contact Rahim Ansari at ransari@msa-ps.com.

### **Conference Highlights**

Wednesday, May 28

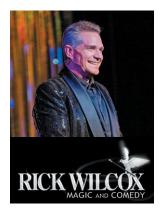
### SOCIAL MEET AND GREET Madison Public Library | 6:00 pm-9:00 pm 201 West Mifflin Street, Madison, WI

Don't miss the pre-conference social of the year! Kick off the conference with an unforgettable evening of magic, mingling, and merriment! Join your fellow CSWEA members and exhibitors at the stunning Madison Public Library Central Library for a night of entertainment, delicious bites, and great company.

Be prepared to be dazzled as top-rated performers, Rick and Susan Wilcox, deliver captivating magical performances throughout the evening – this is a show you won't want to miss!

Enjoy heavy appetizers, refreshing drinks, and the chance to connect with old friends and new colleagues before the conference officially begins.

Mark your calendars and get ready for a magical night!



#### Thursday, May 29

#### JIM SHAW MEMORIAL 5K RUN/WALK Lake Monona Bike Path | 6:30 to 7:45 am

Participants are asked to meet at the starting line for 6:30 am start. Directions will be provided at registration and via email.

### OPENING SESSION AND KEYNOTE

Monona Terrace Grand Terrace | 8:00 to 8:45 am

We are excited to welcome Kyle Dreyfuss-Wells, Chief Executive Officer of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, as our Keynote Speaker this year. Overseeing the operation of one of the largest clean-water agencies in Ohio treating more than 75 billion gallons of water every year and providing sanitary and stormwater management services to Cleveland and 62 suburban



communities across 363 square miles of the Lake Erie watershed, Kyle has an enlightening perspective related to the challenges and opportunities of balancing infrastructure needs, regulation, customers, funding, climate change and resiliency in the clean-water cycle.

Every utility has an origin story. A decision made, a problem faced, challenges perhaps unique to a region, but more common when seen through a wider lens. Kyle will connect Northeast Ohio's clean-water history with the realities of the broader Midwest, exploring the intersection of land use and water quality, the importance of water infrastructure to sustainable built spaces, and how her utility's renowned stormwater management and combined sewer overflow control efforts are accounting for the real impacts of wetter, warmer, wilder weather – all while engaging customers and a workforce for the long haul.

### TECHNICAL SESSIONS

### Monona Terrace Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

There will be five concurrent half-hour sessions in the morning, and then in the afternoon on Thursday. Sessions A, B, C, D and E will be from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, with one hour break at 10:00 am.

There will be five afternoon concurrent half-hour sessions F, G, H, I and J will be from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, with a half-hour break at 2:00 pm. For more information, please see the Technical Program.

### EXHIBITS

#### Monona Terrace Ballroom | 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Exhibits showcasing the latest technology in wastewater, collection systems, treatment and many related items will be on display. Be sure to visit our fine exhibitors and thank them for their support of our association.

### EXHIBITOR LUNCH Monona Terrace Ballroom | 12:00 to 1:00 pm

The Exhibitor Lunch offers exhibitors and conference attendees to meet in a relaxing and social environment. Visit the Monona Terrace Ballroom to take part in this exciting chance to mingle.

### POSTER SESSIONS Monona Terrace Capital Promenade | 10:00 am to 11:00 am, 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Posters will be on display in the Hall of Ideas twice on Thursday. Presenters will be available at their posters at this time to discuss their posters and answer questions. Please stop and visit to learn more.

### **Conference Highlights**

### Thursday, May 29

### EXHIBITOR RECEPTION Monona Terrace Ballroom | 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Light snacks and refreshments will be provided in the ballroom. Share some refreshments and visit with our exhibitors, and thank them for attending this year's Annual Meeting.

#### **CSWEA ANNUAL AWARDS EVENT**

Monona Terrace Grand Terrace | 7:00 pm-9:00 pm

#### 6:30 to 7:00 pm – Awards Reception

Connect with friends and enjoy refreshments before the Awards Banquet.

#### 7:00 to 9:00 pm - Awards Presentations

Hear updates about CSWEA activities from the outgoing president, the vision for the year ahead from our incoming president and honor this year's award winners for the many WEF and SWEA Awards presented to the very best of our industry.

The Annual CSWEA Awards Event is a ticketed event and includes a meal. Please remember to purchase a ticket and bring the ticket to the event.

### Friday, May 30

#### STATE SECTION BREAKFASTS AND MEETINGS

Monona Terrace Meeting Rooms K-R | 7:00 am to 8:00 am

Please attend your respective State Section's breakfast and business meeting to be updated on the activities of the section and its committees. Don't miss this opportunity to get involved and find out where you can help your section. This is a ticketed event and includes a meal. Please remember to purchase and bring your ticket with you!

### CSWEA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING Monona Terrace Meeting Rooms K-R | 8:00 am-8:45 am

The Association Business Meeting will include reports from the Association Committees and Sections and the annual election of officers. We encourage everyone to attend and learn about our association's activities.

#### EXHIBITS

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### **TECHNICAL SESSIONS**

### Monona Terrace Hall of Ideas EFGHIJ 9:00 to 10:00 am, 10:30 to 11:30 am, 1:30 to 3:30 pm

There will be four concurrent half-hour sessions in the morning, and then in the afternoon on Wednesday. Sessions K, L, M, and N will be from 9:00 am to 12:00 am, with half-hour break at 10:00 am.

There will be four afternoon concurrent half-hour sessions. Sessions P, Q, R, and S will be from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, with no break. For more information, please see the Technical Program.

#### ANNUAL CSWEA ASSOCIATION MEETING AND LUNCHEON Monona Terrace Grand Terrace | 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

Hear from our President and WEF Visitor as they present a summary of activities and initiatives of the organizations. We will recognize our Operations Challenge teams for their performance at WEFTEC and our newest inductees to the Golden Manhole Society and the 7S will be announced and honored. This is a ticketed event and includes a meal. Please remember to purchase and bring your ticket with you.

### SILENT AUCTION Exhibit Hall



Global Water Stewardship (GWS) is dedicated to addressing sanitation challenges in developing countries by educating

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communities and creating sustainable solutions to protect waterways and promote public health. GWS operates entirely through volunteer efforts and relies on donor support. CSWEA recognizes the critical impact of GWS' work and contributes to its mission through proceeds from the Silent Auction held at the Annual Meeting.

Exhibitor's auction item donations, benefiting GWS, will be showcased in the Exhibit Hall. Join this vital social and humanitarian

initiative by contributing auction items or placing bids to support clean water solutions worldwide.

Contact Autumn Fisher at afisher@donohue-associates.com for more information. Bids will be posted at 11:15 am in the registration area.



## **Technical Program**

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| Session           | Α  | В   | с   | D  | E  |  |
|                   | WATERSHED<br>MANAGEMENT  | DISINFECTION  | ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE<br>AND DIGITAL SOLUTIONS  | OPTIMIZATION   | COLLECTION SYSTEMS<br>AND CONVEYANCE   |  |
| Moderator         | McKala Kiessling   | Shanna Czeck  | Colin Fitzgerald  | Chris Buckley  | Brad Bennett   |  |
| 8:00 am-9:00 am   | Keynote Speaker: Kyle Dreyfuss Wells   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 9:00 am-9:30 am   | Why Extreme Rainfall Events<br>Appear to Happen Much<br>More Often than Expected<br>Nathan Zick  | Let There Be Light! Constructing<br>and Commissioning a<br>Multi-Phase UV Disinfection<br>Replacement on Lake Michigan<br><b>Matthew Sokolowski</b> | Maximizing Efficiency and<br>Augmentic Operational Decision-<br>Making: A Case Study of Hybrid<br>Modeling at Fond Du Lac<br>Wastewater Treatment and Water<br>Resource Recovery Facility<br>Aryan Emaminejad | Designing to Low DO:<br>Full-Scale Implementation<br>of Suboxic Biological<br>Nutrient Removal<br><b>Natalie Beach</b>   | Regional I/I Reduction Program<br>Cost-Effectiveness Evaluation:<br>A Madison, WI Case Study<br>Jennifer Hurlebaus                         |  |
| 9:30 am-10:00 am  | Identify, Prioritize, and Build:<br>A GSI Program from<br>Concept to Execution<br><b>Olivia Sims</b>   | Teaching an Old Dog<br>New Tricks: Troubleshooting<br>and Optimizing Chlorine<br>Disinfection Systems<br>Arun Mande                                 | Enhancing Flood Resilience<br>Using AI and Digital Tools<br><b>Cristina Popa</b>  | Low DO Operation for<br>Biological Nutrient Removal<br>and Densification at Green Bay<br>Gretchen Gutenberger  | Getting to the ROOT of<br>the Problem an Asset<br>Management Plan in Action<br>Amanda Leipard  |  |
| 10:00 am-11:00 am |  |   | Break/Poster Session I  |  |  |  |
| 11:00 am-11:30 am | Nutrient Reduction Strategies<br>for the Rock River Watershed:<br>A Collaborative Approach to<br>Tackling Phosphorus Pollution<br>Karoline Qasem<br>and Jeff Reininger | PAA Pilot Study Provided<br>Invaluable Data and Operational<br>Experience for the Fox Metro<br>Water Reclamation District<br><b>Michael Ott</b>     | O&M Centered Digital<br>Support Tools<br>John Rickermann  | How Are We DOing?<br>A Comparison of SSWRF's New<br>and Existing Aeration Systems<br>Operating During Construction<br>Matthew Sokolowski   | The MCES Minneapolis<br>Interceptor Study: Using Tools<br>and Data to Prioritize System<br>Improvements and Minimize Risk<br>Walter Atkins |  |
| 11:30 am-12:00 pm | Watershed Approaches to<br>Achieving Regulatory Compliance<br>for Nutrient Removal: Illinois<br>Crosses the Rubicon<br>Mohammed Haque<br>and Bartlett Durand           | Pioneering Potable Reuse in<br>Tennessee: Unveiling the State's<br>Inaugural Water Reuse Pilot<br><b>Emily Evans</b>                                | Out With the Old, in With the<br>New: A Systematic Approach<br>to System-Wide PLC Renewal<br><b>Brendan Wolohan</b>   | Decarbonization of<br>Biological Nutrient Removal<br>Leon Downing  | Digital Tools Streamlining<br>Collection System Operations<br>and Management<br>Jennifer Baldwin   |  |
| 12:00 pm-1:00 pm  |  |   | Lunch   |  |  |  |
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|                   | MANAGEMENT   | BIOSOLIDS   | SAFETY  | INTENSIFICATION  | COLLECTION SYSTEMS<br>AND CONVEYANCE   |  |
| Moderator         | Shanna Czeck   | Chris Buckley   | Steve Graziano  | Brad Bennett   | Colin Fitzgerald   |  |
| 1:00 pm-1:30 pm   | Leading in the Age of<br>"Be Ready for<br>Anything, Anytime"<br>Panel Discussion<br><b>Rick Warner</b>   | Streamlining Digester<br>Improvements: Lessons Learned<br>from Design and CMAR<br><b>Sheamus Togher</b>   | Safety Fundamentals for<br>Wastewater Treatment Plants<br><b>Robert Evangelisti</b>   | Like Rome, Wet Weather<br>Treatment Capacity Can't Be<br>Built in a Day – But Improved<br>Settleability Can Shift the<br>Paradigm Quickly, Allowing<br>the Colosseum to Wait<br>Ken Kamper | Protecting a Park Using CIPP<br>and CIPMH Rehabilitation<br>Lexi Duve  |  |
| 1:30 pm-2:00 pm   | Thomas Sigmund<br>Shannon Spurlock<br>Cory Williams  | When the Landfill<br>Says No More Sludge:<br>ELODE May Be the Answer<br><b>Terry Boyer</b>  | Deadly Digesters and Bad<br>Biogas: Safety from Hard<br>Lessons-Learned<br>Matthew Williams   | Nanobubble Technology:<br>A Novel Approach to Wastewater<br>Treatment Intensification and<br>Enhanced Nutrient Removal<br>Andrea White   | MMSD Edgewood Avenue<br>Near Surface Collector<br>Jon Meyer and<br>Matthew Bednarski   |  |
| 2:00 pm-2:30 pm   |  |   | Break/Poster Session II   |  |  |  |
|                   | PUBLIC POLICY BIOSOLIDS PFAS R&D AND NOVEL APPROACHES NU   |   |   |  | NUTRIENTS  |  |
| 2:30 pm-3:00 pm   | Tips and Tricks<br>for Federal Funding<br><b>Emily Platt</b>   | Biosolids Regionalization:<br>Better When We're Together<br>Adam Parmenter  | Wet Weather Sampling of<br>Urban Waterways for a PFAS<br>Treatment Pilot<br><b>Daniel Stockard</b>  | Pilot Testing and Implementation<br>of ANITA™ Mox at UCSD NEP<br>Terry Boyer   | Heart of the Valley<br>Effluent Filtration<br>Christine Wood   |  |
| 3:00 pm-3:30 pm   | Wastewater-Based<br>Surveillance for Monitoring the<br>Circulation of Respiratory and<br>Enteric Diseases in Wisconsin<br>Adelaide Roguet                              | D.O.G.E. Biosolids<br>Eric Lynne  | Seven Habits of Highly Effective<br>PFAS Source-Trackers<br><b>Michelle Young</b>   | Cloth Media Filter in<br>Series for Phosphorus Removal:<br>Pilot Test Study<br>Joseph Martirano  | Put the Lime in the Blended<br>Sludge and Shake It All Up:<br>Centrate P Removal Improves<br>Secondary Performance<br>Colin Fitzgerald     |  |

## Technical Program

| FRIDAY, MAY       | 30, 2025   |   |  |  |  |
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|                   | PFAS   | R&D AND NOVEL<br>APPROACHES   | NUTRIENTS  | OPERATIONS   | COLLECTION SYSTEMS<br>AND CONVEYANCE   |
| Moderator         | Steve Graziano   | McKala Kiessling  | Colin Fitzgerald   | Chris Buckley  | Shanna Czeck   |
| 8:00 am-9:00 am   |  | Annual  | Member Association Business I  | Meetings   |  |
| 9:00 am-9:30 am   | PFAS Data Guidelines and<br>Implications to Fate through<br>Thermal Processes<br>Lloyd Winchell  | Intensifying Research and<br>Innovation for a Resilient<br>and Sustainable Future<br><b>David Diehl</b>   | Planning and Implementation of<br>Low-Level Phosphorus Treatment<br><b>Troy Larson</b>                   | Benefits of Using Microscopes<br>to Aid in Wastewater  | Illinois Utilities Conquer<br>Resiliency Challenges Using<br>Sewer-Monitoring Technology<br>and Real-Time Data<br><b>Megan Livak</b> |
| 9:30 am-10:00 am  | Novel Wastewater Treatment<br>Process for PFAS Removal<br><b>Paul Rodriguez</b>  | Innovative Applications of Pile<br>Cloth Media Filtration: Primary<br>Filtration, Dual-Use and Tri-Mode<br>Wet Weather Treatment for<br>Wastewater Challenges<br><b>Vedansh Gupta</b> | Flexible BNR Design<br>to Meet Current and<br>Future Facility Needs<br><b>Don Esping</b>                 | Operations with Case Study<br>Adib Amini and<br>NEW Water Operations Staff   | Pressure Pipe Condition<br>Assessment: Force Main Focus<br><b>Michelle Carter</b>  |
| 10:00 am-11:00 am |  |   | Break  |  |  |
| 11:00 am-11:30 am | PFAS Reduction in Landfill<br>Leachate and Biosolids<br><b>Patrick McNamara</b>  | Microaeration Part II:<br>The Impact of<br>Sulfur Transformations<br>Matt Seib  | Flexibility in Biological<br>Phosphorus Removal System<br>Design: Case Studies<br><b>Nick Bartolerio</b> | What We Learned at   | Expanding a Pump<br>Station in the Floodway<br><b>Adam Ross</b>  |
| 11:30 am-12:00 pm | PFAS Assessment of<br>a Rotary Drum Dryer<br><b>John Ross</b>  | Secondary Treatment<br>Intensification: MOB Process<br>Trial to Enhance Capacity and<br>Improve Sludge Settleability at<br>Winona, MN WWTP<br>Erik Anderson                           | Nitrate: The Next Chapter<br>in Nutrient Regulations<br><b>Abram Peterson</b>                            | WEFTEC and Beyond:<br>Panel Discussion<br>CSWEA Operations Team  | Trend Setters:<br>A Wastewater Pump Station<br>and Its Surge Tank<br><b>Robert Walton</b>  |
| 12:00 pm-1:00 pm  |  | A   | ssociation Meeting and Lunche  | on   |  |
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|                   | R2E  | ENGINEERING ETHICS  | CAREER AND PERSONAL<br>DEVELOPMENT   | COMMISSIONING AND<br>STARTUP   |  |
| Moderator         | Matt Magruder  | Cary Solberg<br>Jessica Mederson  | Rahim Ansari   | Brad Bennett   |  |
| 1:00 pm-1:30 pm   | Navigating the D3/D5 Split:<br>Renewable Natural Gas<br>and Co-Digestion<br><b>Eider Alvarez Puras</b>   | Englanda Ellin  | Bridging The Gap Between<br>Young and Seasoned   | Screenless IFAS System<br>Eliminates Media Loss and<br>Reduces O&M Costs<br>for the City of Peterborough<br>Lauren Takitch |  |
| 1:30 pm-2:00 pm   | Developing GHG Inventory<br>Tools for Water and Wastewater<br>Treatment Facilities: A Utility's<br>Effort to Quantify and<br>Reduce GHG Emissions<br>George Kontos | and Resiliency in the<br>Built Environment  |  |  |  |
|                   | No Break   |   |  |  |  |
|                   | R2E  | ENGINEERING ETHICS  | CAREER AND PERSONAL<br>DEVELOPMENT   | COMMISSIONING AND<br>STARTUP   |  |
| 2:00 pm-2:30 pm   | Recovering Nutrients and Trust!<br>A Case Study in Communication<br>Strategies for Biosolids<br>Katelyn Skornia  | Engineering Ethics  | Essential Skills for Success:<br>Team Development, Leadership,   | Formation of Granular Sludge<br>with Low Strength Wastewater<br><b>Brett Quimby</b>  |  |
| 2:30 pm-3:00 pm   | Two Birds, One Test:<br>Off-Gas Testing for Assessing<br>Aeration Efficiency and<br>Microbial N2O Stress Insights<br><b>Michelle Young</b>                         | and Resiliency in the<br>Built Environment  | and Productivity<br>Liz Kramer<br>Quentin Hahn   | Start from Scratch:<br>Construction through Startup<br>for a 0.35 MGD Greenfield<br>Municipal Facility<br>Natalie Cook     |  |

### **Presenters**

### **KEYNOTE PRESENTER**

Wednesday May 28 | 8:00 am

### **KYLE DREYFUSS WELLS**



Kyle Dreyfuss Wells is the Chief Executive Officer of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District. Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District is a regional entity providing sanitary and stormwater management services to Cleveland and 62 suburban communities in Northeast Ohio. As CEO, Ms. Dreyfuss-Wells oversees one of the largest clean water agencies in Ohio, a district that treats 90 billion gallons of water every year, thanks to the work of more than 750 employees. She works closely with seven trustees and eleven directors managing hundreds of miles of sewer and stream networks, a multi-billion dollar 25-year Project Clean Lake program, and a regional wet-weather strategy for the health of Lake Erie and more than one million residents. Ms. Dreyfuss-Wells was formerly Deputy Director of the District's Watershed Programs, including the Regional Stormwater Management Program and the applica90n of stormwater control measures to reduce combined sewer overflows through green infrastructure. Ms. Dreyfuss-Wells graduated summa cum laude from Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology. She earned master's degrees with honors in both public affairs and environmental science at Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs and volunteered in Samoa for the Peace Corps.

### **SPECIAL GUEST**

#### COREY WILLIAMS, WEF TRUSTEE





Corey Williams is a member of the 2024-2025 Board of Trustees for the Water Environment Federation (WEF), an international organization of water quality professionals headquartered in Alexandria, VA.

Williams currently serves as president and CEO of SmartCover Systems, the innovation leader for intelligent, real-time sewer monitoring systems. Prior to his role at SmartCover, he served as the CEO of a Suez subsidiary, Optimatics; as vice president and general manager of Inflection Point Solutions, a software development and management consulting firm also serving the water industry; and at Black and Veatch as the director of environmental information systems.

Williams earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Kansas State University. A WEF member for his more-than-30-year career, Williams has guided multiple companies, engaged in advisory board positions for startups, and served as project manager or executive in charge of more than 125 projects for water and wastewater utilities throughout the US, Australia, and Europe. Williams has authored more than 75 papers in IT, OT, IoT, and the smart water and innovation space for the water industry.

Williams is active in many professional associations and has been the co-principal investigator in research initiatives related to the application of technology to drive business value in utilities. He is the co-founder and moderator of both the Water and Wastewater CIO and CFO Forums. He founded these forums with the mission of bringing together innovative water and wastewater utility leaders from all over the country and creating a valuable space for knowledge transfer and networking.

### **CAREER AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT TRACKS**

#### Track 1

### Career Focus: Bridging The Gap Between Young and Seasoned Professionals

Presenters: Natalie Cook, Donohue & Associates; Elizabeth Heise, Trotter & Associates; and Mike Piller, Johnson County Wastewater Duration: 1 hour

### Track 2

### Essential Skills for Success: Team Development, Leadership, and Productivity

Presenters: Liz Kramer, City of St. Cloud; and Quentin Hahn, Burns & McDonnell Duration: 1 hour

### **MODERATOR: RAHIM ANSARI, MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**



Rahim Ansari is a Wastewater Engineer at MSA Professional Services. He earned his bachelor's degree in civil and environmental engineering in 2021 and his master's degree in environmental engineering from the University Wisconsin – Madison 2024. Joining MSA in 2021, Rahim has assisted in the planning, design, and construction of wastewater treatment facilities and carries experience in activated modeling and design,

biological and chemical phosphorus removal, pilot testing, lift station design, and biosolids planning, management, and design. Rahim has been the Chair of the WI Section Student and Professionals Committee since 2022 and is passionate about engaging the next generation of water industry leaders and environmental stewards. In his free time, Rahim enjoys playing and coaching tennis, Wisconsin's many rivers and streams.

### NATALIE COOK, DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES



Natalie Cook is a Wastewater Process Engineer with Donohue & Associates. She has her Bachelors in Applied Mathematics and Masters in Environmental Engineering from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. Her work covers all inside the fence wastewater treatment plant design, but her favorite projects are in biological nutrient removal. She lives in Chicago, where she spends her free time eating,

playing with her dog, and teaching and performing circus arts. Ask her about that last one, I dare you.

### **ELIZABETH HEISE, TROTTER & ASSOCIATES**



Liz earned her bachelor's degree in Biological Engineering and master's degree in Environmental Engineering from the University of Illinois. Liz is a wastewater project manager with more than nine years of experience. Specializing in the design and implementation of sustainable wastewater treatment solutions, she has successfully led numerous projects in Northern Illinois. Within CSWEA, Liz has served as the Illinois Section YP Chair (2017-2019), the LAC Chair (2024), GWS Chair (2019-2023), and is currently serving as a CSWEA Delegate. Additionally, Liz is the current Students and Young Professionals Community Chair for WEF and is involved in the Municipal Resource Recovery and Design Community as the Design Subgroup Chair in the Nutrient Removal Group.

### MIKE PILLER, JOHNSON COUNTY WASTEWATER



Mike serves as the Collections Program Manager for Johnson County Wastewater (JCW), bringing nine years of experience in wastewater collection system projects. He earned a technical degree in civil engineering from Lake Superior College in Duluth, MN, in 2014 and a bachelor's degree in management and project management from Park University in 2023. Passionate about enhancing

utility coordination and public outreach, Mike leads JCW's Collection System Asset Management Program, overseeing municipal coordination projects, pipe and manhole rehabilitation, private 1/1 removal, emergency repairs, and more. An active member of Kansas WEA, he also plays a key role in WEF SYPC, currently serving as the 2nd Vice Chair. Originally from Superior, WI, Mike grew up in the heart of the Northland, where he developed a strong appreciation for infrastructure and community service. He is excited to be at CSWEA's 98th Annual Conference.

### LIZ KRAMER, CITY OF ST. CLOUD



Liz Kramer currently serves as the Sustainability Coordinator for the City of Saint Cloud, MN. Liz started with the City in 2018 after graduating from Gustavus Adolphus College. Since then, she has assisted with creating and maintaining the City's Energy Fund Budget, tracking key performance indicators, analyzing data, and coordinating community sustainability projects, public education

efforts, and grant applications and management. Liz is currently the Student and Young Professional Chair of CSWEA and serves on the CSWEA Executive Committee, as well as the MN Section Operations, Safety, and Laboratory Committee Chair.

### **QUENTIN HAHN, BURNS & MCDONNELL**



Quentin Hahn, PE is an assistant project manager and chemical engineer focused on water and wastewater projects. He joined Burns & McDonnell after graduating with a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University in 2017. Since joining the water and wastewater industry, Quentin has worked on a variety of municipal and industrial projects, but he has substantial experience in wastewater reuse,

hydraulic design, and specialty manufacturing wastewater treatment. Quentin has been involved with CSWEA for several years, serving as the Student and YP chair and on multiple local arrangements committees. He is currently the incoming vice-chair for CSWEA's Minnesota Section.

### **Presenters**

### **OPERATIONS TRACK**

### Session 1 Benefits of Using Microscopes to Aid in Wastewater Operations

**Presenters:** Adib Amini, PhD, PE, ENV SP, BCEE; and NEW Water Operations Staff **Duration:** 1 hour

This session will discuss how use of microscopes can benefit wastewater engineering and operations, simple methods one can use, examples of what wastewater samples look like, examples of bacteria that may be seen, and ways to begin use of this powerful tool. The session will be presented in conjunction with a case study at NEW Water (Green Bay, WI) – *Microscopy* – *The Good, Bad and Lessons Learned*, presented by NEW Water Operations Staff.

### Session 2

What We Learned at WEFTEC and Beyond: The CSWEA Operations Team Discusses Bringing Value from Their Professional Organization Experiences to Their Daily Responsibilities Presenters: CSWEA Operations Team Duration: 1 hour

This session will be a round table discussion led by the operations teams that will discuss how they use professional organization participation to network, learn and bring value to their employers. They will share practical thoughts regarding the start and optimization of processes and how professional networking benefited their facilities during capital improvement projects. This is a must-have conversation for anyone looking to increase their knowledge pertaining to operation of water reclamation facilities.

### **ETHICS TRACK**

Engineering Ethics and Resiliency in the Built Environment Presenters: Jessica Mederson, Stafford Rosenbaum; and Cary Solberg, the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD)

### JESSICA MEDERSON, STAFFORD ROSENBAUM



Jessica Mederson is a partner and member of the Board at Stafford Rosenbaum in Madison, Wisconsin. She litigates business matters in state and federal courts across the United States, focusing her practice on construction disputes, Wisconsin dealership disputes, UCC litigation, contract disputes, and employer-side employment litigation. She also advises corporate clients on

contractual negotiation issues, addressing resiliency in the built environment in the face of climate change, and employment law issues. Jessica is admitted to practice in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Texas, and Florida as well as a number of federal courts across the Midwest and in Texas. She writes and presents nationally on addressing resiliency in construction projects and business operations. She also created and co-hosts a podcast, Adapt: Climate Change and the Built Environment, dedicated to discussing issues related to the built environment and its resiliency to climate change and extreme weather events.

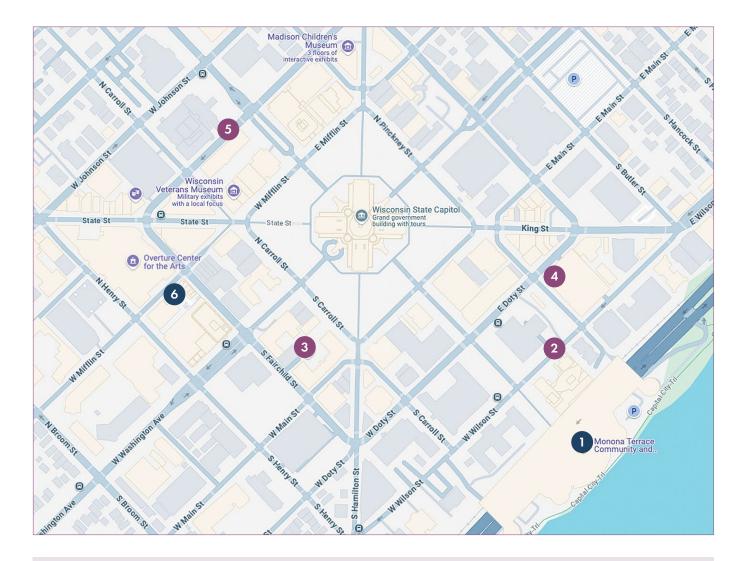
### CARY SOLBERG, THE MILWAUKEE METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT (MMSD)



Cary Solberg is an Engineering Section Manager at the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD). He leads and supports a team of project managers focused on MMSD's water reclamation facilities, electrical systems, and instrumentation and control systems. The combined team project portfolio totals more than \$800 million in active and planned improvements. 2025 will mark Cary's

30th year in the engineering profession.

### Map of Madison, Wisconsin



- 1. Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center
- 2. Hilton Madison Monona Terrace
- 3. Best Western Premier Park Hotel

- 4. Embassy Suites by Hilton Madison Downtown
- 5. The Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club
- 6. Madison Public Library

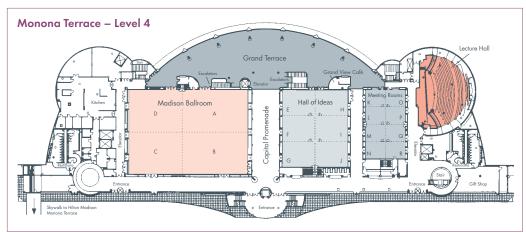


### **CSWEA'S 98TH ANNUAL MEETING**

### Venue

### MONONA TERRACE 1 John Nolen Drive, Madison, WI 53703

The conference will be held at Monona Terrace in Madison, Wisconsin on May 28-30, 2025. The venue is a 250,000 square-foot, multi-level convention center. The venue is a mix of beautiful, curvy architecture that contrasts with the surrounding natural environment.





### **Hotel Information**

**The Hilton Madison Monona Terrace** is the recommended hotel for the 98th Annual Conference. Located on 9 East Wilson Street and connected to the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center by Skywalk. The Hilton is offering a group rate for CSWEA at \$159.00 per room.

Book online at www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=MSNMHHF&groupCode=CSW&arrivaldate=2025-05-28&departuredate=2025-05-30&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT.

Alternatively, call Hilton reservations at 800-445-8667 or call the hotel directly at 608-255-5100 and reference the group code: CSW.

**The Best Western Premier Park Hotel** is on 22 South Carroll Street. Choose to stay in a traditional room (1-2 beds) for \$179 plus tax per night, a deluxe room (1-2 beds) for \$189 plus tax per night, or a king suite for \$219 plus tax per night.

Book at www.bestwestern.com/en\_us/book/hotel-rooms.50061.html?groupid=8l2ujóp0.

**The Embassy Suites by Hilton Madison** are on 231 South Pinckney Street. Book a one king-sized bed, one-bedroom suite for \$189.00 plus tax per night by visiting https://group.embassysuites.com/iht6ze.

**The Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club** is located on 1 West Dayton Street, Madison, WI 53703. Rooms are \$169.00 plus tax per night. Book a room at https://reservations.travelclick.com/6388?groupID=4380395. We expect that there will be great demand for these rooms, so please book early.







THE MADISON CONCOURSE HOTEL AND GOVERNOR'S CLUB

### **Exhibit Hall**

The Exhibit Hall will be open two days: Thursday and Friday, May 29-30, 2024. This year, there will be an Exhibitor Lunch from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm on Thursday in the Exploration Hall for those who wish to attend. As well, the conference provides longer breaks during the technical sessions with refreshments in the exhibit hall.

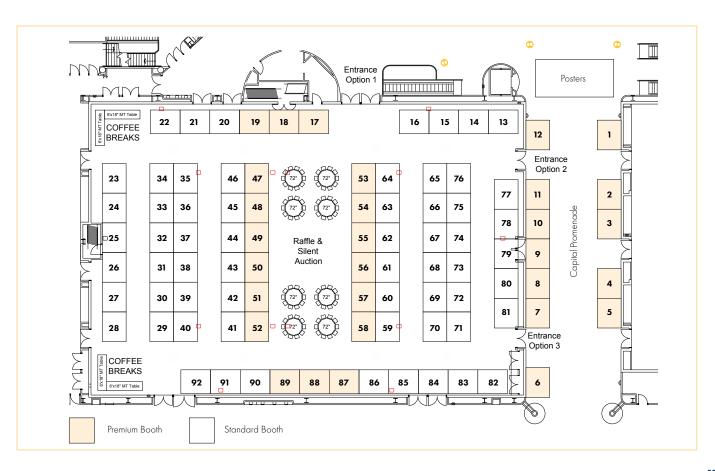
### Exhibitor Lunch 12:00-1:00 pm

Thursday

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| Applied Technologies Inc.        | Duke's        |
| APX10                            | Ecosorb by    |
| Badger State Inspection, LLC     | ENECON        |
| Baxter & Woodman, Inc.           | Energenec     |
| Berg-Johnson Associates Inc      | Foth Infrastr |
| Bolton & Menk, Inc.              | Green Stee    |
| Brenntag                         | H2O Innov     |
| Brierley Associates Corporation  | HDR Engine    |
| Carollo Engineers, Inc.          | HR Green,     |
| Chemtrade Logistics              | Internation   |
| Clean Water Technology           | Interstate Er |
| DN Tanks, LLC                    | Jacobs        |
| Drydon Equipment – A DXP Company | Jaeger Aer    |

| COMPANY NAME                        |
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| Duke's                              |
| Ecosorb by OMI Industries           |
| ENECON Corporation                  |
| Energenecs                          |
| Foth Infrastructure and Environment |
| Green Steel Environmental           |
| H2O Innovation                      |
| HDR Engineering, Inc.               |
| HR Green, Inc.                      |
| International Paint                 |
| Interstate Energy Systems           |
| Jacobs                              |
| Jaeger Aeration                     |

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| Jim Jolly Sales, Inc.        | Ruekert & Mielke, Inc.       |
| KLM Engineering              | Shand & Jurs                 |
| LAI Ltd                      | Sherwin-Williams Co.         |
| Lystek International         | SmartCover Systems           |
| Malloy Electric              | Teledyne ISCO                |
| Mead & Hunt                  | ТКДА                         |
| Moleaer                      | Trident Actuators            |
| Mulcahy Shaw Water           | Trillium Pumps USA           |
| Peterson and Matz, Inc.      | Trotter and Associates, Inc. |
| Prime Resins                 | USALCO, LLC                  |
| RIN Group                    | VEGA Americas                |
| Rodney Hunt                  | Visu Sewer, LLC.             |
| Rudolf Messner Umwelttechnik | WaterSurplus                 |



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### **ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FORM**

### **FULL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

Includes Wednesday Night Social, Exhibits, Technical Sessions, Thursday Exhibitors Lunch, Friday Exhibitors Reception and Annual Awards Event. Full Conference Registration also includes all meals on Thursday, State Section Business Meeting, and Annual Association Meeting.

### **BASIC CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

Includes Wednesday Night Social, Exhibits, Technical Sessions, Exhibitors Lunch, and Thursday Exhibitors Reception. Sit-down meals on Thursday and Friday must be purchased separately.

|                | Before<br>April 25 | After<br>April 25 | AMOUNT |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Member         | \$515              | \$575             |        |
| Non-Member [1] | \$535              | \$585             |        |
| Retiree        | \$315              | \$345             |        |
| Student        | \$175              | \$175             |        |

|                | Before<br>April 25 | After<br>April 25 | AMOUNT |
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| Member         | \$380              | \$405             |        |
| Non-Member [1] | \$410              | \$435             |        |
| Retiree        | \$190              | \$210             |        |
| Student        | \$ 50              | \$ 50             |        |

### **ONE DAY REGISTRATION**

Thursday: Includes Wednesday Night Social, Exhibits, Technical Sessions, Exhibitors Lunch, and Exhibitors Reception. Sit-down meals must be purchased separately. Friday: Includes Exhibits and Technical Sessions. Sit-down meals must be purchased separately.

|                        | Before<br>April 25 | After<br>April 25 | AMOUNT |
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| Thurs - Member         | \$230              | \$255             |        |
| Thurs - Non-Member [1] | \$260              | \$285             |        |
| Fri - Member           | \$230              | \$255             |        |
| Fri - Non-Member [1]   | \$260              | \$285             |        |

### **EVENTS AND MEALS (A LA CARTE)**

Please circle event & meal selections for you and any guest/spouse who may be joining you for an event or meal.

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| ATTENDEE OR<br>GUEST NAME | PRE-CONFERENCE<br>WORKSHOP | GOLF OUTING<br>STORMWATER<br>TOUR |      | 5K RUN/WALK | SERVICE PROJECT | WEDNESDAY<br>SOCIAL (GUESTS) | PLANT TOUR | STATE SECTION<br>BUSINESS<br>MEETING | ANNUAL<br>ASSOCIATION<br>MEETING | ANNUAL AWARD<br>EVENT | ALL MEALS | BANQUET<br>CHOICE | TOTAL |  |
|                           | \$30/\$50                  | \$90                              | \$35 | \$25        | N/C             | \$25                         | N/C        | \$25                                 | \$35                             | \$75                  | \$135     | S C F V           |       |  |
|                           | \$30/\$50                  | \$90                              | \$35 | \$25        | N/C             | \$25                         | N/C        | \$25                                 | \$35                             | \$75                  | \$135     | S C F V           |       |  |
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[1] Includes one (1) year of membership to CSWEA.

Global Water Stewardship Donation \$ [2] Guest/Spouse Registration includes Meet & Greet, Exhibitor Reception and Refreshments in Exhibit Hall. **GRAND TOTAL** \$ [S] Roasted Garlic Sirloin, [C] Truffle Butter Chicken, [F] Seafood Wellington, [V] Quinoa Stuffed Zucchini Boats.

Name Employer\_\_\_\_ State ZIP City Address Phone Email WEF Member Number\_\_\_\_ New Member (within last year) Yes No Operator Number (if applicable)\_\_\_\_ Are you a Young Professional (less than 36 years old)  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No Do you want to become more active in CSWEA?  $\Box$ Yes Dietary Restrictions/Special Accomodations Golf Partners\_ Would you like to donate an item to the CSWEA Global Water Stewardship Silent Auction

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### UTILITY REGISTRATION FORM

| Contact Person | Utility        |
|----------------|----------------|
| Address        | City State ZIP |
| Phone          | Email          |

### **UTILITY REGISTRATION [1]**

Registration includes Wednesday Night Social, Exhibits, Technical Sessions, Box Lunch, and Exhibitors' Reception. (Registration does not include the State Section Business Meeting, Annual Association Meeting, Annual Awards Event, or other Events. Register for them below).

| Before<br>April 25 | After<br>April 25                              | AMOUNT  |
|--------------------|--|---|
| \$300              | \$350  |   |
| \$500              | \$600  |   |
| \$900              | \$1,000  |   |
| \$2,000            | \$2,500  |   |
| \$3,000            | \$3,500  |   |
|                    | April 25<br>\$300<br>\$500<br>\$900<br>\$2,000 | April 25     April 25       \$300     \$350       \$500     \$600       \$900     \$1,000       \$2,000     \$2,500 |

**98TH ANNUAL** 

MEETING

MAY 28-30, 2025

### **UTILITY ATTENDEE REGISTRATION INFO & A LA CARTE SELECTIONS**

Please mark the days of attendance, circle events and meals for each utility attendee and indicate the total for each attendee to the right.

|               | ATT   | END | ING  |                            |             |                    | EVE                | NTS         |                                 |           |                                      |                                  |                       |           |                   |       |
|---------------|-------|-----|------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| ATTENDEE NAME | THURS | FRI | BOTH | PRE-CONFERENCE<br>WORKSHOP | GOLF OUTING | STORMWATER<br>TOUR | SERVICE<br>PROJECT | 5K RUN/WALK | WEDNESDAY<br>SOCIAL<br>(GUESTS) | PLANTTOUR | STATE SECTION<br>BUSINESS<br>MEETING | ANNUAL<br>ASSOCIATION<br>MEETING | ANNUAL<br>AWARD EVENT | ALL MEALS | BANQUET<br>CHOICE | TOTAL |
|               |       |     |      | \$30/\$50                  | \$90        | \$35               | N/C                | \$25        | \$25                            | N/C       | \$20                                 | \$25                             | \$35                  | \$80      | S C F V           |       |
|               |       |     |      | \$30/\$50                  | \$90        | \$35               | N/C                | \$25        | \$25                            | N/C       | \$20                                 | \$25                             | \$35                  | \$80      | S C F V           |       |
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[1] Registration based on NPDES permitted flow.

Global Water Stewardship Donation \$\_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_

[2] Rates reflect maximum rates allowable on per diem or GSA rates. Only Available to members registered as utilities. [S] Roasted Garlic Sirloin, [C] Truffle Butter Chicken, [F] Seafood Wellington, [V] Quinoa Stuffed Zucchini Boats.

### **GUEST & SPOUSE REGISTRATIONS**

Please use the Attendee Form on previous page to purchase all Guest/Spouse event and meal tickets.

List any new WEF/CSWEA Members from the last year:\_

List all Young Professionals (35 years old or younger):

List attendees that would like to be more active in CSWEA:\_

Dietary Restrictions/Special Accomodations\_

Please list name with request \_

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