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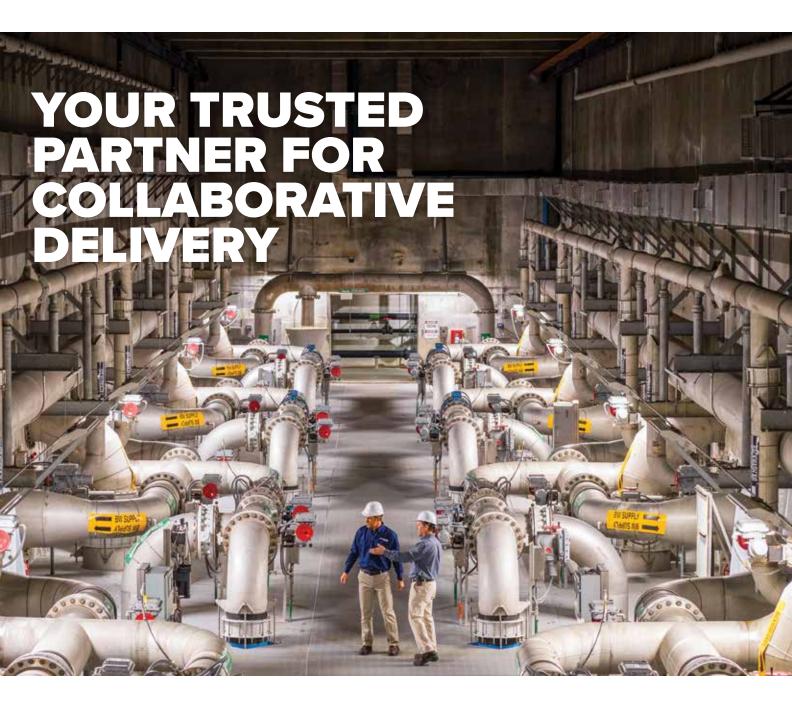
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#### **A Message From the Conference Planning Committee**



Linda Leopold Chair, PennTec 2023 Conference Committee



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Jeff Cantwell Chair, PennTec 2023 Program Committee

On behalf of the PWEA Board of Directors and the 2023 Conference Committee, we welcome you to PWEA's 94th Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition (PennTec 2023) at the Hershey Lodge & Convention Center in Hershey, PA.

This year's Conference Program includes a wide range of topics related to water quality. In addition to the Conference technical sessions, we are also presenting workshops which have been approved by the PA DEP for additional contact hours for water and/or wastewater operator licenses. By attending these workshops, you could earn **up to 19.0 DEP Contact Hours**, or **up to 19.0 Continuing Education Hours**, in just a few days!

A very important part of the Conference is the vendor exhibition. By visiting the exhibits, you will gain insight into new and innovative solutions and discover new products and equipment that will help you do your job in a more efficient and safer manner. We encourage you to talk to the vendors about what is most important to you.

The Conference includes many networking opportunities for you to meet and interact with your colleagues. The Students & Young Professionals (SYP) Committee is organizing a **Community Service Project** for Sunday.

On Monday, the Professional Operators Committee and the SYP Committee are hosting a Plant Tour. Also on Monday is **the President's Reception**, the **Annual PWEA Awards Ceremony & Reception**, and the **Tailgate Dinner & Cornhole Tournament.** 

On Tuesday, the Stormwater Committee is hosting the **Stormwater Tour.** Also on Tuesday is the **Women in Water Luncheon**; the **Operations Challenge** event, the **Beer & Pretzels Reception**, and **Operator Olympics**. The **Annual PWEA Golf Tournament** will be on Wednesday this year.

We believe the PennTec Conference will provide everything you need under one roof—education, vendor contacts, and networking.

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#### NEED CONTACT HOURS OR PDH CREDIT?

Pick up your tracking sheet in the PWEA Registration Area

#### **PWEA Annual Business Meeting**

Monday, 12:30-1:00pm

Cocoa Terrace & Cocoa 1



Conference attendees are invited to attend and participate in the Annual Business Meeting. The Board of Directors welcomes input from everyone. PWEA members will vote on Officer positions.

Coffee and dessert will be available during the Annual Business Meeting.



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#### **Conference at a Glance**

Sunday, June 1	Sunday, June 18		Tuesday, June 20	
11:00am-3:00pm	Community Service Project	7:00am-5:00pm	Registration Open	
3:00-5:00pm	Registration Open	7:30-8:30am	Exhibit Hall Open with Continental Breakfast	
·		7:55-8:00am	5-Minute Vendor Presentations	
Monday, June 19		8:00-11:45am	Morning Technical Programs Collection Systems – Crystal A	
7:00am-5:00pm	Registration Open		Engineering & Construction – Magnolia AB	
7:00-8:00am	Continental Breakfast – <b>Hallway</b>		Industrial Waste Pretreatment – <b>Magnolia CD</b>	
7:30-8:30am	Keynote Presentation – Nigerian		Privatization – <b>Empire A</b> Professional Operators – <b>Wild Rose B</b>	
8:35-8:40am	5-Minute Vendor Presentations		Utility Management & Government Affairs –	
8:40am-12:00pm	Morning Technical Programs		Wild Rose A	
·	Biosolids – <b>Magnolia CD</b> Collection Systems – <b>Crystal A</b> Engineering & Construction – <b>Magnolia AB</b> Stormwater – <b>Wild Rose B</b> Utility Management & Government Affairs – <b>Wild Rose A</b>	9:00-11:30am	Stormwater Tour – meet at Convention Center entrance	
		9:40-10:40am	Exhibit Hall Open with Break Refreshments	
		9:40-10:40am	Operations Challenge – Exhibit Hall	
		11:15-11:45am	Biosolids Mobile Sessions – Exhibit Hall	
9:45-10:15am	Exhibit Hall Open with Break Refreshments	11:45am-1:00pm	Exhibit Hall Break with Complimentary Lunch	
		11:45am-1:00pm	Student Research Poster Presentations	
12:00-1:00pm	Exhibit Hall Open with Complimentary Lunch	11:45am-1:00pm	Women in Water Luncheon – Cocoa 1 & Terrace	
12:30-1:00pm	PWEA Annual Business Meeting	12:55-1:00pm	5-Minute Vendor Presentations	
	with Dessert & Coffee – Cocoa 1 & Terrace	1:00-4:45pm	Afternoon Technical Programs	
12:55-1:00pm	5-Minute Vendor Presentations		Collection Systems – <b>Crystal A</b> Engineering & Construction – <b>Magnolia AB</b>	
1:00-3:30pm	PO/SYP Plant Tour – meet at Convention Center entrance		Industrial Waste Pretreatment – <b>Magnolia CD</b> Laboratory Practices – <b>Empire D</b> Privatization – <b>Empire A</b> Professional Operators – <b>Wild Rose B</b> Student Research – <b>Wild Rose A</b>	
1:00-4:45pm	<b>Afternoon Technical Programs</b> Biosolids – <b>Magnolia CD</b> Collection Systems – <b>Crystal A</b>			
	Engineering & Construction – Magnolia AB	2:40-3:40pm	Exhibit Hall Open with Break Refreshments	
	Stormwater – <b>Wild Rose B</b> Utility Management & Government Affairs –	4:45-5:45pm	Beer & Pretzels Reception – Exhibit Hall	
2 40 2 40	Wild Rose A	4:45-5:45pm	Operator Olympics – <b>Exhibit Hall</b>	
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3:40-4:45pm	Collection Systems		Wednesday, June 21	
51.16 11.15p	Mobile Sessions – <b>Exhibit Hall</b>	7:00-8:00am	Continental Breakfast – <b>Hallway</b>	
4:45-5:45pm	President's Reception – Exhibit Hall	7:00am-12:00pm	Registration Open	
5:45-7:00pm	Annual PWEA Awards Ceremony	7:55-8:00am	5-Minute Vendor Presentations	
7:15-9:30pm	Reception – <b>Aztec/Nigerian</b> Tailgate Dinner and  Cornhole Tournament –  Cocoa 1 & Cocoa Ballroom	8:00-11:15am	Morning Technical Programs  Engineering & Construction - Magnolia AB  PFAS - Magnolia CD	
		8:30am	Golf Tournament – <b>Deer Valley Golf Course</b>	
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#### Workshops

These workshops are approved for additional PA DEP contact hours. You must have a ticket to attend. Limited tickets are available onsite.

#### Monday, June 19

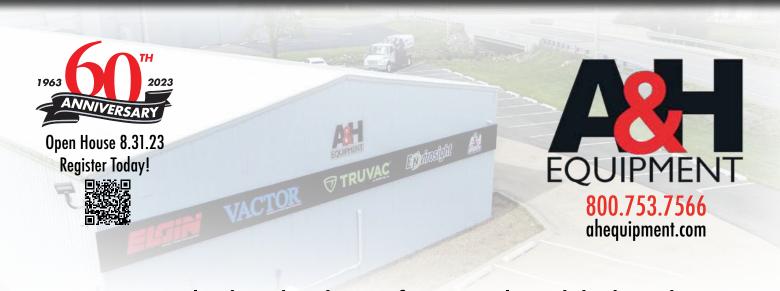
**8:00am-5:00pm** Activated Sludge Refresher (Day 1 of 2) – **Empire B 8:45am-4:00pm** Laboratory Supervisor Training – **Empire C 12:45-4:45pm** Responsibilities of Clean Water Professionals – **Empire D** 

#### Tuesday, June 20

8:00am-11:45am Common Pump Station Electrical Issues – Empire D 8:00am-4:45pm Nutrient Workshop – Empire C 8:00am-5:00pm Activated Sludge Refresher – Day 2 of 2 – Empire B

Wednesday, June 21

8:00am-11:30am Introduction Locator Program – Wild Rose B 8:00am-11:45am Solids Handling & Disposal – Wild Rose A



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#### **Keynote Presentation**

#### Monday, 7:30-8:30am - Nigerian Ballroom

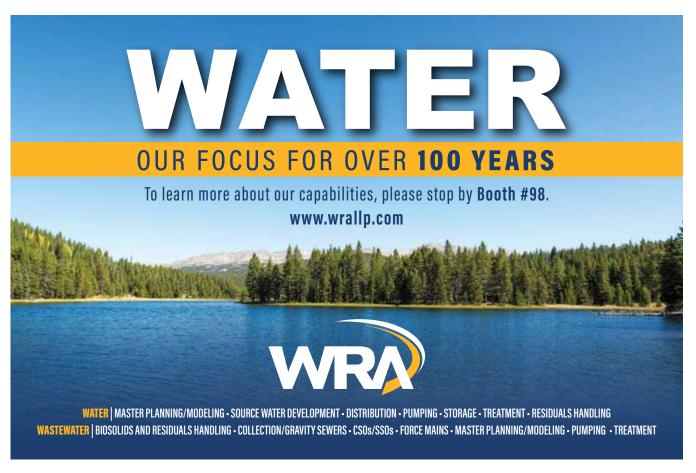


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Tom Kunetz weaves the story of how he came to combine the disparate fields of environmental engineering and theater which lead him to excel in both fields, becoming a high-ranking engineer at one of the largest wastewater utilities in the U.S., and a distinguished comic actor, director, playwright, and teacher at the famed Second City Theater in Chicago. With a presentation that is highly engaging, Tom will demonstrate using audience participation how he teaches professionals to improve their communication skills and unlock their creativity using concepts from the theater

world. The presentation will be energetic, funny, and inspiring, a perfect way to springboard participants into the PennTec experience.

Tom Kunetz is Past President of the Water Environment Federation, a WEF Fellow, a member of the Board of Directors of the Water Research Foundation, and Assistant Director of Engineering at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, retired. Tom is also an accomplished actor, comedian, playwright, and director, and served on the faculty of the Second City Training Center comedy school in Chicago for 20 years. He is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, including the Charles Walter Nichols Award for Environmental Excellence from the American Public Works Association, and the Ralph Fuhrman Medal from the Water Environment Federation. Tom is a native of Hershey, Pennsylvania, a graduate of Penn State and Villanova Universities, and a former member of the Water Pollution Control Association of Pennsylvania. Now with Mosley I Kunetz Workshops, he travels the country presenting workshops to professionals teaching leadership skills, high-value communication, and creating a culture of innovation.



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#### **Community Service Project**

Sunday, 11:00am-3:00pm

This year marks the fifth annual PennTec Community Service Project. We hope you will consider joining the PWEA Students & Young Professionals (SYP) Committee to help with the Project. The event will take place at Hershey Gardens.

Hershey Gardens opened in 1937 with Milton Hershey's request to "create a nice garden of roses." More than 80 years later, the small rose garden has blossomed into 23 acres of botanical beauty providing visitors with unique experiences and enriching opportunities. Overlooking the town of Hershey, Hershey Gardens features a breathtaking assortment of flowers and shrubs, a stately collection of rare, signature trees, and various programs designed to delight visitors of all ages.

The historical highlight of Hershey Gardens, this is where it all began in 1937. The brilliant assortment of 3,000 roses representing 115 varieties includes an interesting mix of heights, colors and flower forms of Hybrid Tea, floribunda, shrub, and miniature roses, and features the new AARS rose variety winners each year.



Volunteers will be doing basic gardening tasks, such as planting annuals, weeding, mulching, etc.

We would like to acknowledge the Conference attendees who volunteered their time to help PWEA promote environmental stewardship, and to leave a positive imprint on this year's host location.



#### **Plant Tour**

#### Hosted by the Professional Operators and Students & Young Professionals Committees

**Derry Township Municipal Authority, Clearwater Wastewater Treatment Facility** 

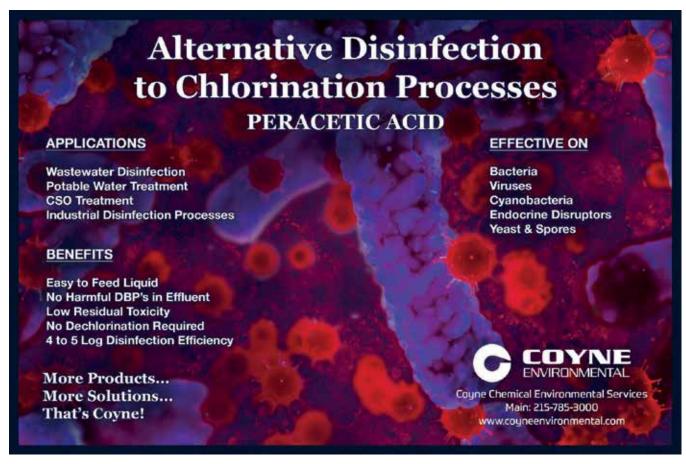
Monday, 1:00-3:30pm

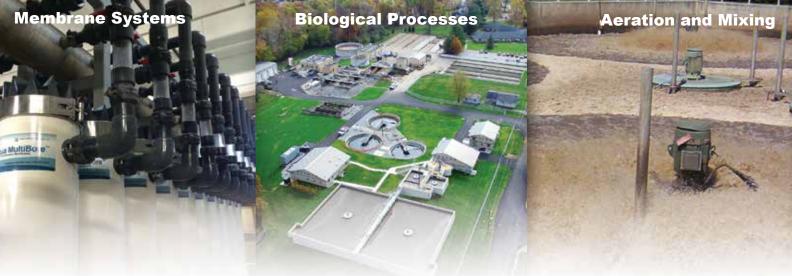
The Derry Township Municipal Authority (DMTA), located in Hershey, PA, maintains a forward-thinking approach for its services and has continuously implemented self-sustaining facility improvements over the years at their Clearwater Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF). For nearly four decades, the DTMA has operated a hauled-in-waste program (Septage, FOG, Municipal Sludge, and Food Waste) which provides an alternate source of revenue through tipping fees. In 2000, the commissioning of the anaerobic digestion process enabled the DTMA to enhance their on-site energy recovery and solids management by utilizing the biogas for beneficial uses such as the thermal drying process, digester heating, and to fuel a 280-kW combined heat and power (CHP) system. With the excess biogas resulting from the co-digestion of high strength organic waste (HSOW or Food Waste), the DTMA embarked on the completion of the Energy Enhancements project in 2020 to improve upon the plant's capacity for accepting additional HSOW, to utilize the on-site renewable energy, and to approach "Net Zero" energy at their Clearwater WWTF. The project includes biogas storage and mixing improvements to the existing



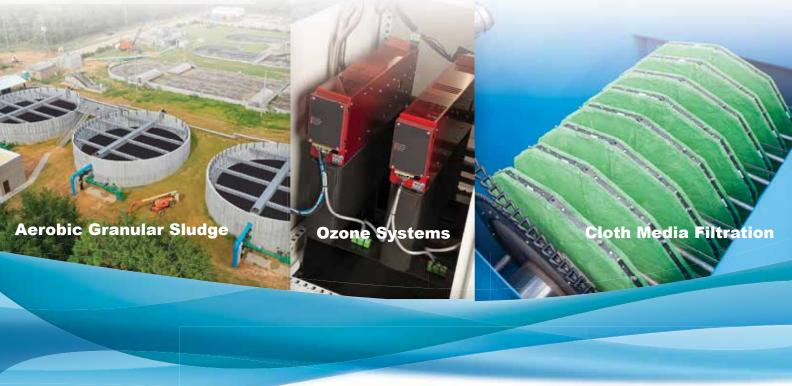
secondary anaerobic digester, new biogas conditioning system for H2S removal and a regenerative siloxane removal system, and two (2) 1-MW CHP engines housed in a new building. The project is anticipated to be completely operational by Spring 2023.

A limited number of tickets may be available at the PWEA Registration Desk. The cost is \$35 per person. Bus will begin boarding at 12:30pm at the Convention Center entrance, and will depart the hotel at 12:45pm.





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#### **Special Events**

#### **PWEA Annual Awards Ceremony & Reception**

Monday, 5:45-7:00pm

#### Aztec/Nigerian Ballroom

The Annual Awards Ceremony honoring your colleagues who have won prestigious state and national awards will take place following a short reception. This event is open to all Conference attendees. Pre-registration was required. There is no charge to attend. Includes hors d'oeuvres and a drink ticket.



#### Tailgate Dinner & Cornhole Tournament

Monday, 7:15-9:30pm

#### Cocoa Terrace & Cocoa 1 – Dinner Cocoa Ballroom – Cornhole Tournament

The PWEA Students & Young Professionals Committee will host a fun and friendly evening of networking, cornhole tournament, food, drinks and great prizes. A tailgate themed dinner buffet will begin at 7:15pm and cornhole teams will be randomly formed beginning after dinner. The event is open to all experience levels, professionally and competitively. Attendees are encouraged to don their favorite team's tailgating attire.



A limited number of tickets may be available at the PWEA Registration Desk.Tickets are \$55 per person. Dinner and a drink ticket are included.



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#### Stormwater Tour Hosted by the Stormwater Committee Derry Township Municipal Authority Bullfrog Valley Stream Restoration

#### Tuesday, 9:00am-11:30am

Derry Township is undertaking the restoration of a waterway extending approximately 1,800 linear feet upstream of Bullfrog Valley Park. The project will serve as a sediment reduction BMP for the Township's Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan, but also provide a number of other benefits. At the bottom of the project area, the stream discharges into a pond at Bullfrog Valley Park. At this location, the stream deposits silt and sediment into the pond which requires periodic dredging. By stabilizing the streambanks, this deposition and need for dredging is reduced, and some of the deposited material from the pond could be reincorporated into the grading for the stream restoration project. Similarly, rock removed from a sanitary sewer extension project located elsewhere in the same geologic formation could be reincorporated into the streambank stabilization measures, and a careful inventory of trees being removed was taken so that their trunks and root wads could be reused as in-stream structures. A highly traveled multiuse trail runs parallel to the stream, providing ample



opportunity for public education and outreach and a portion of the sediment reduction credits from the project were transferred from Derry Township to a neighboring municipality under an inter-municipal agreement.

A limited number of tickets may be available at the PWEA Registration Desk. The cost is \$35 per person. Bus will begin boarding at 8:30am at the Convention Center entrance, and will depart at 8:45am.

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#### **Special Events**



#### **Operations Challenge**

Tuesday, 9:40-10:40am

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#### Women in Water Luncheon

Tuesday, 11:45am-1:00pm

Cocoa Terrace & Cocoa 1

#### Leadership, Career Paths, and the Future of Water - A Panel Discussion

Panelists include:

- Kara Humes, Entech Engineering, PWEA First Past President
- · Autumn Crawford, Western Butler County Authority, Board Member and Professional Operators Committee Chair
- · Pamela Penatzer, LB Water

Join your colleagues for the third annual Women in Water Luncheon. This luncheon will feature networking opportunities and a panel discussion with prominent women who are dedicated to water quality.

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#### **PWEA Student Research Poster Contest**

Tuesday, 11:45am-1:00pm

#### **Exhibit Hall**

The PWEA Research Committee reviews student research submissions and invites qualifiers to participate in the Poster Contest. After judging by faculty and practicing engineers, the top three poster presenters in both undergraduate and graduate categories are chosen. Posters will be available for viewing by Conference attendees. Awards will be presented at the Student Research Program.





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#### **Operator Olympics**

Tuesday, 4:45-5:45pm

#### **Exhibit Hall**

This is a fun activity based on some real Olympic events, but with a wastewater twist. Games may include:

Bowling, using a ball from a pump and BOD bottles; Plunger Toss, tossing small plungers into a bucket; Golf Ball Chip, chipping golf balls into a toilet; Hockey, score a goal through a toilet seat; and Turd Toss, throw (plastic!) turds into a bucket.

Can you think of a better way to spend the afternoon?



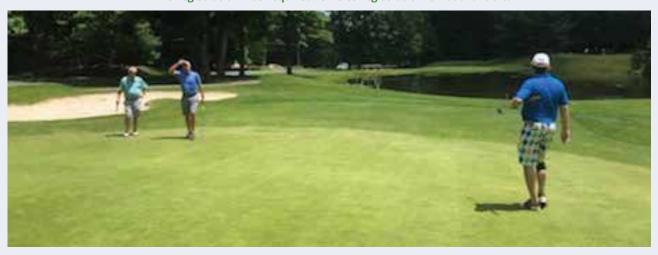
There is no charge and pre-registration is not required. This is a competitive event and prizes will be awarded.

#### **Annual PWEA Golf Tournament**

Wednesday, 8:30am Shotgun Start

This year's Golf Tournament at the Deer Valley Golf Course in Hummelstown, PA. The course is located about 15 minutes from the Hershey Lodge. Net proceeds from the tournament will benefit PWEA's Operations Challenge Program.

Pre-registration was required. On-site registration is not available.



#### **Exhibit Hall Highlights**

The Exhibit Hall is a very important part of the PennTec Conference. The exhibits will open on Monday at 9:45am and will close on Tuesday at 5:45pm. Visiting the vendors will be informational, educational, and it will also be fun!



#### **Exhibit Hall Bingo**

The PWEA Exhibits & Sponsors Committee organized this event for Monday and Tuesday during the Conference.

Conference attendees will receive a Bingo card in their registration packets, along with a list of participating exhibitor names. Each participating exhibitor will be assigned a letter/number from the Bingo cards. Attendees will need to visit the exhibitors in order to have their cards stamped.

Once the squares are stamped horizontally, vertically or on the diagonal, the attendee will then turn in the card to Booth 80 during the afternoon break of each day (Monday or Tuesday) for confirmation. Attendees must be present to win and can only turn in one card, either on Monday or on Tuesday.

Prizes will be awarded to all Bingo winners during the Exhibit Hall receptions on Monday and on Tuesday. Each day's winners will be entered into a Prize Drawing on Monday and on Tuesday.

#### **Bingo Participants**

(as of May 19; final list available at Registration Desk)

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#### **Exhibit Hall Highlights**



#### **NEW - Car Racing in the Exhibit Hall**

The Exhibits & Sponsors Committee is hosting a new event this year: Car Racing!

Hot Wheels cars will be raced down a track in the Exhibit Hall during breaks. Races will be in heats of 6-8 numbered cars. Winner of each heat advances to the final. Each heat winner and the overall winner will receive a gift card.



#### **NEW – The Biosolids Beauty Contest!**

This year, the Exhibits & Sponsors Committee and the Biosolids Committee added a new fun contest to the Conference. Biosolids Professionals were invited to decorate Class A and Class B biosolids in a fun and imaginative way, and to bring their submissions to PennTec. Entries will be judged and a winner will be announced. This photo is an example of an entry from another state's beauty contest.

Please be sure to stop by Booth 79 in the Exhibit Hall in order to view the submissions and to see how creative our Biosolids Professionals can be!

The winner will be announced during the lunch break on Tuesday, June 20! Who will be crowned winner of the first PWEA Biosolids Beauty Contest?

#### **Exhibit Hall Highlights**



#### **Conference Raffle Prizes**

Prizes will be raffled at different times throughout the Conference. Attendees registered for the conference will be given raffle tickets, and there will be marked containers placed randomly throughout the Exhibit Hall – one for each prize. Attendees can put as many of their tickets as they'd like in each marked container. Raffle tickets will be drawn in the Exhibit Hall at various times during the Conference. You must be present to win. Exhibitor representatives are not eligible for these drawings. See Page 39 for the Raffle Prize Drawing Schedule.



#### **Exhibit Hall Food Functions**

Lunch, morning and afternoon breaks, and the President's Reception will be in the Exhibit Hall on Monday. Continental breakfast, morning and afternoon breaks, lunch, and the Beer & Pretzels Reception will be in the Exhibit Hall on Tuesday.



#### **President's Reception**

Monday, 4:45-5:45pm

Be sure to attend the President's Reception! Enjoy **FREE BEER, WINE and snacks** while you network with your colleagues and the vendors.

There is no charge for this event.



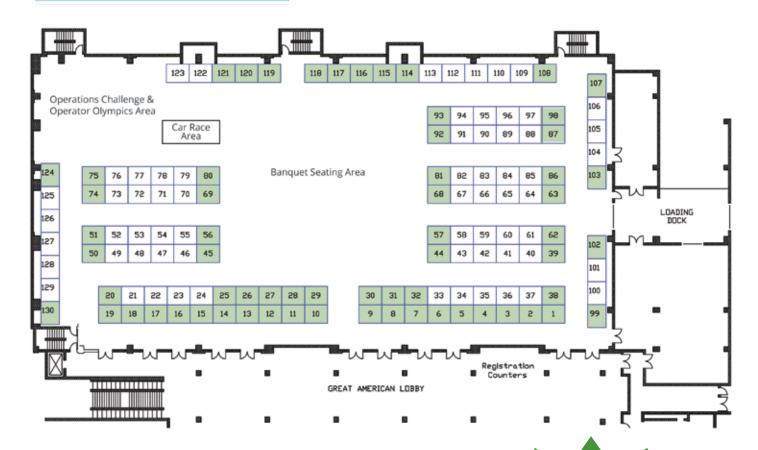
#### **Beer & Pretzels Reception**

Tuesday, 4:45-5:45pm

**FREE BEER, WINE and soft pretzels** will be served! Come to the Hall to relax and visit with the vendors.

There is no charge for this event.

#### **Exhibit Hall Floor Plan**



#### **Exhibit Hall Hours**

**Monday** 

The Exhibit Hall will be open during the following times:

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Morning Break	9:45-10:15am
Lunch	2:00-1:00pm
Afternoon Break	2:40-3:40pm
President's Reception	4:45-5:45pm
Tuesday	7:30am-5:45pm
Continental Breakfast	7:30-8:30am
Morning Break	9:40-10:40am
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#### **Workshop Details**

### You must have a ticket to attend. Seating is limited. If you did not register in advance, check at the PWEA Registration Desk for seat availability.

#### Monday & Tuesday, 8:00am-5:00pm - Empire B

**Activated Sludge Refresher Course** 

This course is PA DEP approved for **16.0 wastewater contact hours**. Course ID 3884. You must attend both days to earn DEP credit. Partial credit will not be awarded.

Instructors: Jeremy Miller, PA DEP; Walter Higgins, US EPA; and Anita Stabile, PA DEP

This course was developed as a preparatory course for the activated sludge certification exam as well as a refresher for certified operators. Students will be engaged in active classroom discussion as well as small group exercises. In advance of the training date, students will be provided with vocabulary and other training material to review before the classroom training. Interactive instruction and handouts explaining the activated sludge process, exam taking skills and practice, math drills, general knowledge review, concept reinforcement, confidence building, homework, and a supportive learning environment are included. Registrants should bring a calculator, a notebook, and a pen/pencil.

#### Monday, 8:45am-4:00pm - Empire C

A Laboratory Practices Committee Workshop

Laboratory Supervisor Training
This course is PA DEP approved for **6.0 drinking water & wastewater contact hours**. Course ID 6759.

Moderator: Curtis Huey, Borough of Mechanicsburg

Instructor: Larissa Hoover, ALCOSAN

Students will learn common lab terms, the role and expectations of a lab supervisor, current Chapter 252 regulations, and typical calculations used to evaluate lab data. The class will be presented in five sections: background information and general provisions; general standards; QA/QC requirements; proficiency study, onsite assessment requirements and miscellaneous provisions; and basic math. Students will apply what they learn during discussion and question/answer sessions; and they will complete a math worksheet to demonstrate their understanding of the math section of the presentation. This course may help students prepare to take the laboratory supervisor test.

#### Monday, 12:45pm-4:45pm - Empire D

A Training Committee Workshop

Responsibilities of Clean Water Professionals This course is PA DEP approved for 3.5 wastewater contact hours. Course ID 7122.

Instructors: Thomas Brown, Erick Ammon, Marc Neville, and Anita Stabile, all with PA DEP

This course will include an introduction to the Wastewater Operator Code of Ethics. Upon conclusion of the course, students will be able to describe the importance of good communication and establish a communication system with system owners, customers and regulatory agencies. And they will be ready to accept and carry out the responsibilities and rewards of being a Clean Water Professional. Course content will include: Operator Best Practices;

Protecting/Maintaining Your System, Utilizing Resources Wisely; Laws, Rules and Regulations that Impact Wastewater Operators; Security and Emergency Planning

for Wastewater Systems; and Educating Owners, Customer and the Public.

#### Tuesday, 8:00am-12:30pm - Empire D

A Training Committee Workshop

Common Pump Station Electrical Issues
This course is PA DEP approved for 3.0 drinking water & wastewater contact hours. Course ID 8421.

Instructors: Josh Price and Roger Stauffer, both with Envirep

Wastewater and Water Treatment managers and operators deal with numerous electrically driven processes at treatment plants and outlying sewage pump stations and water booster pump stations. These processes utilize equipment that is controlled and powered from electrical control panels and various electrical components. Most operations personnel are not electrical engineers but they still have to maintain, troubleshoot and identify problems associated with the electrical equipment. This course will give an in-depth overview of why electrical problems occur, common terminology, discussions of motors, control panels, components, design considerations, startup, troubleshooting, failure analysis, and prevention.

#### Tuesday, 8:00am-4:45pm - Empire C

A Training Committee Workshop

**Nutrient Workshop** 

This course is PA DEP approved for **6.5 wastewater contact hours.** Course ID 9149.

Instructor: Christine Volkay-Hilditch, City of Lancaster

The purpose of this course is to prepare students for the wastewater operator certification exam and as a review for students who are already operators. There is a significant need for operators who understand nutrient removal and how to do the process control testing required to operate a plant properly. Course content will include: Nitrogen & Phosphorus in Wastewater; Chemistry Review; Biological Nitrification; Biological Denitrification; Process Variables; Nitrogen Removal Review; Chemical Precipitation of Phosphorus; and Enhanced Biological Phosphorus Removal.



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#### **Workshop Details**

#### Wednesday, 8:00am-11:30am - Wild Rose B

A Safety Committee Workshop

**Introduction Locator Program** This course is PA DEP approved for 3.0 drinking water and wastewater contact hours. Course ID 579.

Moderator: Shane Edge, Whitpain Township

Instructor: Maria White, PA One Call System

The program objectives explain the definitions and terminology used in the PA Act 287 of 1974, as amended; a description of a correct notification; an explanation of marking underground lines with the American Public Works Association (APWA) color code standards; and an illustration of how to respond through the Karl Automated Response to Locates (KARL) system.

#### Wednesday, 8:00am-11:45am - Wild Rose A

A Biosolids Committee Workshop

**Solids Handling & Disposal** This course is PA DEP approved for 3.5 wastewater contact hours. Course ID 9165

Moderator: Richard Valiga, Tully Environmental

Instructor: Charles Winslow, GHD; Chris Boyd, Charter Machine Co.; and Howard Butler, GHD

The purpose of this course it to provide an overview of current trends in biosolids thickening, processing, dewatering, and disposal. The core topics will include thickening technologies, anaerobic digestion, aerobic digestion, and solids management planning. Dewatering strategies and technologies will also be discussed, as well as biosolids disposal and beneficial use opportunities.



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# Schedule for Conference Raffle Drawings in the Exhibit Hall

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Solo Tabletop Fire Pit

**Monday President's Reception** 5:30pm

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**Tuesday Morning Break** 10:15am

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Tuesday Lunch
12:30pm

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**Tuesday Afternoon Break** 3:30pm

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**Tuesday Beer & Pretzels Reception** 5:15pm

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### **MONDAY MORNING**

### 8:35-8:40pm – 5-Minute Vendor Presentations

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### **Collection Systems - Reversing Grinder Pumps**

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### **BIOSOLIDS PROGRAM**

### **Bioenergy**

### Magnolia CD

Moderators: Charles Winslow, GHD; and Richard Valiga, Tully Environmental

### 8:40-9:10am – Digester Upgrade and Expansion for Cogeneration Coupling Membrane Gasholders Covers with Microturbine Generators

Speakers: Britt Bassett, PE, Bassett Engineering, Inc.; and Michael Matechak, Lackawanna River Basin Sewer Authority

Lackawanna River Basin Sewer Authority installed dual membrane gasholder covers on the anaerobic digesters at its Throop Wastewater Treatment Plant. This dramatically expanded gas storage and also increased sludge storage which in turn increased sludge detention time, VSS destruction, gas production, and electricity generation, which reduced operating costs.

### 9:45-10:15am – Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 9:15-9:45am – Maximizing the Value of Biosolids from THP at the Piscataway WRRF Bio-Energy Project

Speaker: Joe Uglevich, Stantec

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) is in the process of implementing a Bio-Energy project to thermally hydrolyze and anaerobically digest all biosolids from their five Water Resource Recovery Facilities (WRRFs). The WSSC bioenergy project is aimed at capturing the maximum value of the process without compromising the very real capital investment constraints.

### 10:15-10:45am – Biosolids Processing Alternatives Evaluation: Towamencin Municipal Authority Case Study

Speakers: Trudy Johnston and Mikayla Regan, both with Material Matters, Inc.

A biosolids planning study was completed for Towamencin Municipal Authority to identify and evaluate viable alternatives for biosolids processing and associated beneficial use options. Presentation will include results of technology alternatives evaluation, a comparison of energy efficiency and 20-yr costs for short-listed technologies: anaerobic digestion, composting, thermal drying, pyrolysis, and gasification.

# 10:50-11:20am – Thermal Processing Resiliency and Sustainability: Comparison of Pyrolysis, Gasification, and Incineration with Real-World Applications

Speaker: Charles Winslow, PE, GHD

This presentation examines the fundamental differences between biological and thermal oxidation, with a particular focus on the three most common thermal technologies - pyrolysis, gasification, and incineration. These technologies are compared in terms of end product quality, greenhouse gas emissions, fossil fuel demand, and bioenergy potential.

### 11:25-11:55am – Unattended Operation Using Unique Design Features & Remote-Monitoring and SCADA Optimizes Dryer Capacity and Performance for PFAS Pretreatment Prior to Pyrolysis/ Gasification or Volume Reduction

Speaker: Rick Treleven, BCR Environmental

Incorporating dryers into biosolids processing operations at wastewater-treatment facilities, for Class A & Volume reduction or Pretreatment to Pyrolysis or Gasification for PFAS destruction, must consider the coordination between existing operating schedules and processing rates as well as the balance between capacity and capital cost.

### **COLLECTION SYSTEMS PROGRAM**

### Collection System Maintenance and Rehabilitation Crystal A

Moderators: Hyon Duk Shin, Gannett Fleming; and Jeff Cantwell, Flow Assessment Services

# 8:40-9:10am – Town of Swampscott, MA, Stacy's Brook Comprehensive Sewer Rehabilitation – Lessons Learned from Lateral Renewal

Speakers: John Rahill, EIT, and Cecilia Carrion-Carmona, both with Kleinfelder

The Town of Swampscott, MA is completing a comprehensive sewer rehabilitation program to reduce concentrations of bacteria in the stormwater discharging at King's Beach. Kleinfelder's presentation will provide a discussion on the design approach and lessons learned regarding the design and construction of cured in placed pipe (CIPP) lateral lining.

# 9:15-9:45am – ACUA Ventnor Margate Emergency FM HDD Replacement

Speakers: Michael E. Bisignani, PE, and David Woolley, EIT, both with GHD

ACUA experienced multiple critical failures of its Ventnor Margate Forcemain which conveys raw sewage via a 24/30-inch pipeline from pumping stations to the ACUA WWTP. Due to the difficult alignment around Bader Air Field, under the bay, Atlantic City Expressway, Amtrak, and many environmentally sensitive areas HDD was utilized.

### 9:45-10:15am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:15-10:45am – Providing Emergency Response and Funding Support to Replace Failing Sewer Infrastructure

Speaker: Sean P. Riley, PE, HDR

After sewer failure in a stream, a collaborative effort between HDR, the City of Steubenville, Ohio, and the Contractor was necessary to mitigate the situation quickly, efficiently, and within regulatory requirements. The importance of communication and proactive engagement of regulators and the importance of securing funding will be demonstrated.

# 10:50-11:20am – Stuck Between a Rock and a Hard Place – What to Do with Your Failing Infrastructure

Speaker: Ashley Reed, PE, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.

Much of the sewer infrastructure within the Borough of Ellwood City was installed back in the early 1900's. The main interceptor line runs along a steep hillside above Connoquenessing Creek and is inaccessible and in disrepair. Learn how we overcame physical and regulatory obstacles to replace the failing interceptor.

### 11:25-11:55am - Clearing Up the FOG: Fats, Oils & Grease

Speaker: Tori Morgan, LO, Entech Engineering, Inc.

Several FOG Programs that Entech Engineering recently implemented varied in size and scope, specifically crafted to the needs of those clients. All started with a comprehensive understanding of the collection system, then followed six steps to create the FOG Program, resulting in enhanced system operations and improvement of the environment.

### **ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

### Constructability

### Magnolia AB

Moderators: Robert Dengler, Gannett Fleming; and Robert McIntyre, Stone Hill Contracting Co.

### 8:40-9:10am – Investigative-Design-Build Keeps GLWA's Repair Projects Flowing

Speakers: Brian Gombos, PE, Wade Trim; and Rob Johnson, PULLMAN

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the CSO facilities in its footprint. Understanding that the repair of these structures required a higher level of investigation, solution building and budget adherence, GLWA chose the Investigate-Design-Build Delivery system for a major repair of the CSO outfall structures.

# 9:15-9:45am – Creative Approaches to Successfully Managing Treatment System Upgrade Programs

Speaker: Diane Altland, PE, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.

Proposed upgrades will improve the plant's effluent quality and increase the overall ADF capacity from 6.0 to 8.4 MGD. Challenges included maintaining plant operations and compliance during the 2-year construction which was overcome with construction sequencing and taking equipment offline during low flow periods.

### 9:45-10:15am – Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:15-10:45am – Facilitating Large Construction Projects by Advancing Strategic Utility Improvements

Speaker: Mason Beck, PE, HDR Engineering

As part DELCORA's deep tunnel wastewater program a utility staging project was developed to facilitate multiple parallel construction contracts and reduce future impacts to plant operations. This presentation will provide an overview of the utility improvements, including tapping and bypass of two existing large diameter wastewater forcemains.

# 10:50-11:20am – Modern Construction Inspection and Administration Tools

Speaker: Brad Sick, PE, Larson Design Group

Broad overview of various modern construction-phase tools, with an emphasis on general benefits and challenges, supported by examples across a variety of wastewater treatment and collection projects. Four general categories will be covered: cloud-based document management and data collection systems, photo and video collection, 3D modeling, and asset management.

# 11:25-11:55am – Keeping the Bugs Alive - Planning for ALCOSAN's Secondary Treatment Bypass

Speakers: Meredith Welle, PE, HDR; Rucha Shah, Arcadis; and Jeff Argyros, ALCOSAN

The ALCOSAN North End Project first secondary treatment shutdown that occurred in December 2022, the coordination with ALCOSAN operations and maintenance staff that occurred months ahead of time, and any lessons learned from the shutdown that will be important to carry into the subsequent secondary shutdowns.

### STORMWATER PROGRAM

# Stormwater Management at the Site Level Wild Rose B

Moderator: Beth Dutton, Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority

### 8:40-9:10am - Mansfield Borough Pipe Arch Replacement Study

Speaker: Steven Rowe, PE, Larson Design Group

Larson Design provided an Engineering Study for replacement options for a 50-year-old pipe arch that is undersized and causing flooding within the Borough. The Study determined that the existing pipe arch can convey a 2-year storm event and options for a culvert that could handle the 100-year storm event were proposed.

### 9:15-9:45am – Construction Lessons Learned from an Innovative Stream Restoration

Speakers: Shawn Fabian, CPESC, CPSWQ, Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.; and Monique Dykman, Londonderry Township

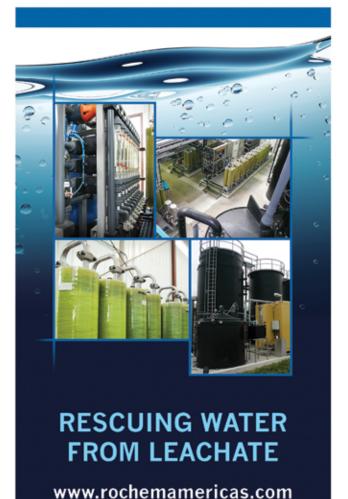
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### 9:45-10:15am – Morning Break in Exhibit Hall



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### 10:15-10:45am – Innovative Approaches for Improving Water Quality 11:25-11:55am – Weathering the Storm 2.0: of Ponds and Creating Community Amenities

Speakers: Daniel Wible, Susan Beck, Claire Maulhardt, and Angela Brackbill, all with Jacobs

This presentation will discuss two innovative water quality/ community amenity projects. In the City of Lancaster, PA, stormwater treatment wetlands are planned to help achieve the City's Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan. In Harrisburg, PA, Capital Region Water is retrofitting two historic community ponds using smart stormwater controls to optimize performance.

### 10:50-11:20am - Improved Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) **Treatment Systems with Innovative Technically Advanced Equipment**

Speaker: Harley Schreiber, WesTech Engineering LLC

Acid mine drainage (AMD) treatment plants are crucial in cleaning up contaminated waters across the coal mine regions. Process refinements improve system efficiency and reduce cost, as they enable AMD plants to control, manage, and reuse contaminated water streams while safely disposing of toxic wastewaters. This presentation focuses on AMD treatment plants and processes used.

# **Challenges to Stormwater Fees**

Speakers: E. Lee Stinnett, Esq., and Isaac P. Wakefield, Esq. both with Salzmann Hughes, P.C. Attorneys at Law

Join us for an update of the evolving legal landscape of stormwater fees. Achieve an understanding of new Pennsylvania and national caselaw. Review critical elements of properly structured stormwater fees and receive information on how interested authorities may pursue setting up or amending their own program.

### UTILITY MANAGEMENT & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS PROGRAM

### Managing Assets in the Digital Age Wild Rose A

Moderators: Mark Pickering, GHD; and Maria White, PA One Call System

### 8:40-9:10am – Security is Not Just Tech:

### **Developing Effective Policy, Plans, and Procedures**

Speaker: Padraic Gray, PE, CISSP, CDM Smith

Policy and planning take a backseat to technology in security planning, yet over 70% of the controls identified in the NIST Cybersecurity Framework pertain policy. This presentation illustrates an approach that utilities can apply to develop effective policies and plans.



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### 9:15-9:45am – Starting on the Road to Digital Transformation

Speaker: Alton Whittle, GHD

GHD's Aquanomics (water risk) model projects a total loss of \$3.7 trillion to US GDP by 2050. It is critical for utilities to accelerate their digital transformation by adopting agile processes and smart analytics to improve performance, customer satisfaction, mitigating environmental concerns, and adapting to a dramatically changing environment.

### 9:45-10:15am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:15-10:45am – A Data-Driven Approach to Increasing Compliance Margins

Speaker: Kevin Flis, Xylem

The audience will learn how leveraging a digital twin to evaluate treatment plant performance will enhance the capabilities of the operations staff and result in better compliance margins and reduced energy and chemical consumption.

### 10:50-11:20am - Lifecyle Management of Operations Technologies

Speakers: Heather Heltzinger, Renegade Solutions, LLC; and William Teodecki, LO, Aqua America

Disparate Operational Technology (OT) systems, such as SCADA, CCTV Systems, Power Generation, BAS, and LIMS, are comprised of components responsible for controlling and monitoring the

environment. Lifecyle management is critical to ensure the efficacy, security, and reliability of critical OT systems. Emerging Standards and Practices to be considered will be discussed.

# 11:25-11:55am – Improving Field Mobility & Digital Record Keeping with GIS

Speaker: Kenneth A. de Groh III, PE, Suburban Consulting Engineers Inc.

Utilizing GIS software saves time and money by collecting, accessing and sharing utility information in real time. This presentation will provide an overview of benefits of field-based digital web mapping, GIS-based inspection forms, utilization of dashboard views to summarize information and metrics and leveraging high accuracy GNSS to improve productivity.



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### **MONDAY AFTERNOON**

### 12:55-1:00pm – 5-Minute Vendor Presentations

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### Biosolids - Improving Sludge Quality Before Digestion

Presented by World Water Works / Kershner Environmental Technologies

Collection Systems – Wet Well Aeration to Eliminate FOG and H2S Presented by Maryland Biochemical Company

Engineering & Construction - One Call Applications Update Presented by PA One Call System

Stormwater - New Technology in Coliform Detection
Presented by IDEXX Laboratories

**Utility Management & Government Affairs – Funding in 5**Presented by Entech Engineering

### BIOSOLIDS PROGRAM

### **PFAS and Bioenergy**

Magnolia CD

Moderators: Charles Winslow, GHD; and Richard Valiga, Tully Environmental

# 1:00-1:30pm – The Opportunity for WRRFs to Advance Regional GHG Reduction Goals

Speaker: Jay Surti, PE, GHD

GHG footprint reduction goals are driving cities and utilities to adopt a holistic resource recovery approach for organic waste streams typically disposed in landfills. Using case studies, the authors will share their experience and lessons learned assisting early North American adopters with implementation of organic resource recovery and co-digestion facilities.

### 1:35-2:05pm – PFAS Emissions Testing for Biosolids Pyrolysis and Incineration

Speaker: DJ Wacker, Brown and Caldwell

Findings from a recent literature review of thermal PFAS treatment in biosolids will be presented, as well as a review of studies led by the co-authors to evaluate the fate of PFAS in two incinerators and a pyrolysis facility. Objective: Provide a framework for assessing the effectiveness of destruction technologies.

# 2:10-2:40pm – Technology Demonstration and Cost Analysis for PFAS Destruction in Biosolids

Speaker: Micah Blate, Hazen and Sawyer

The EPA PFAS Innovative Technology Team identified pyrolysis and supercritical water oxidation for destroying PFAS. The presentation will highlight results from three projects: WRF #5107: Understanding Pyrolysis for PFAS Removal; Demonstration AirSCWO – 6 at Orange County Sanitation District in CA; and Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Analysis of Alternatives for PFAS Destruction.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

### 3:40-4:10pm - Using Recycled Glass in Reed Beds

Speaker: Jason S. Coyle, LO, Spotts, Stevens and McCoy

Four wastewater treatment facilities in Central Pennsylvania have taken an innovative approach to the construction of reed beds at their plants by using recycled glass instead of sand. These are some of the first cases of this in Pennsylvania and have opened a door for other plants across the nation.

### 4:15-4:45pm – Leaving It In the Dust – Full Scale Piloting of Dust Suppression Methods for Dried Biosolids

Speaker: Megan Brown, PE, Jacobs

A pilot test was completed to evaluate dust reduction by dust suppressant addition for dried biosolids. Dust suppressant was applied in an existing screw conveyor used for truck loading. This presentation will review complications encountered during testing, adaptations that were made to produce a partly promising result, and lessons learned.

### **COLLECTION SYSTEMS PROGRAM**

### **Pump Station Rehabilitation**

### Crystal A

Moderators: Alexandria King, Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. and Roger Lehman, Weston Solutions

# 1:00-1:30pm – A Space Saving Approach to Pump Station Expansion

Speaker: Gautam Patwardhan, PE, Remington & Vernick Engineers

Wastewater Pump Station design is regularly limited by site or capital restraints. The site in this case study is bordered by high-pressure gas lines to the back, and wetlands or restricted land on all sides. This presentation discusses the design process of expanding the station's capacity without changing the footprint.

### 1:35-2:05pm – Pump Station Rehabilitation Leads to Long-Term Reliability Improvement and Preservation of Assets

Speakers: Jeff Naumick, PE, Hazen and Sawyer; and Thomas LaRocco, PE, Cape May County MUA

The Cape May Municipal Utilities Authority (CMCMUA) engaged in the rehabilitation of 13 wastewater pumping stages during off-peak seasons. Pump station inspection, design, and construction phase services included the bypass pumping of each station and the rehabilitation of the structural and mechanical features with the intent of restoring them to "like new" condition.

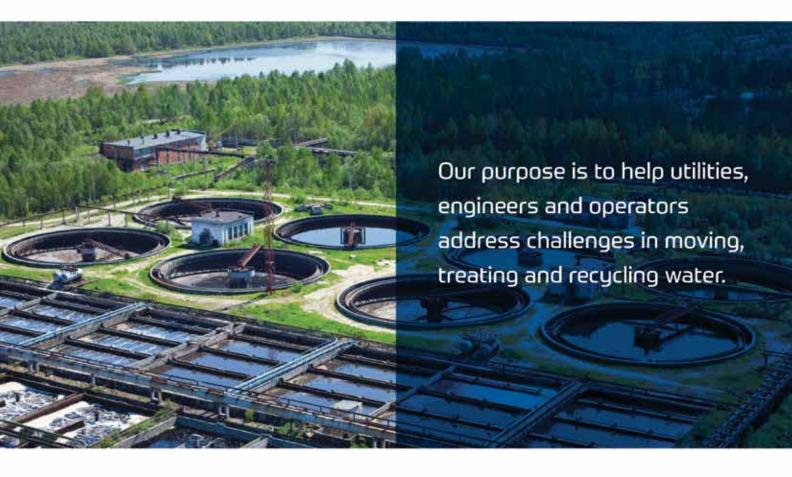
# 2:10-2:40pm – Evaluation of a Treatment Plant Pump Station for Improved Operations

Speaker: Casey Cowan, PE, GHD

Faced with aging equipment, the Niagara Falls Water Board had to determine what to do with their four 250 HP eddy current variable speed pumps at their WWTP to maintain system reliability.

### 2:40-3:40pm – Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall





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### 3:40-4:45pm - Mobile Sessions in the Exhibit Hall

Moderator: Jim Shelton, Arcadis

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### Meet near the PWEA Registration Desk at 3:25pm:

**Different Types of Wastewater Pumps** 

Presented by Kelso

**Manhole Rehabilitation** 

Presented by Utility Services Group

**Epoxy Liners and Coating** 

Presented by Atlantic Coating Consultants

**Wastewater Impellers** 

Presented by Municipal Maintenance Co

**Air in Forcemains** 

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### **ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

# Wastewater Treatment Design & Case Studies Magnolia AB

Moderators: Robert Dengler, Gannett Fleming; and Scott Armbrust, PA American Water Co.

### 1:00-1:30pm – Hiccups and Speed Bumps – Years One and Two Construction of a New 300 MGD Headworks in the City of Philadelphia

Speaker: Isaac Katz, PE, ENVSP, Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP

Construction has begun on a Preliminary Treatment Building adding 300 MGD of wet weather capacity to the Philadelphia NEWPCP. A year and a half into a four-year project, where are we, how did we get here, and how do we see this project playing out?

### 1:35-2:05pm - LTTTJMSA Lake Carey WWTP & LPSS

Speaker: Steven Rowe, PE, Larson Design Group

Lake Carey is a lake community that is located in Wyoming County, PA. All of the residential properties around the lake are served by failing on-lot disposal systems. LDG designed a conveyance system and new WWTP, and is currently overseeing the construction of these improvements.

# 2:10-2:40pm – Enhancing Nitrification Stability with Chemically Enhanced Primary Treatment

Speaker: Benjamin Deatrich, PE, AECOM

The City of Bethlehem's WWTP is implementing CEPT to improve primary settling performance and aid in the stability of nitrification to manage effluent NH3 concentration by reducing organic loading to secondary treatment. Process design and bench testing to develop storage needs, metering pumps, and mixing devices will be presented.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

# 3:40-4:10pm – Optimizing Biological Nitrogen Removal Within Existing Tankage at the Lancaster AWWTP

Speaker: Brian Lubenow, PE, PMP, CDM Smith

The pure oxygen Lancaster AWWTP was upgraded to optimize the existing biological nutrient removal process to meet Total Nitrogen limits at flow of 26 MGD within existing tankage. Improvements included converting tankage to anoxic conditions, DO-based oxygen control, and structural repairs to reduce oxygen leakage.

# 4:15-4:45pm – LOOP MBR: Cost-, Energy- and Space-Saving Cyclical Step Feed MBR Process with Uniquely High Denitrification Efficiency

Speaker: Larry Morris, Kubota Membrane USA Corporation

This presentation describes a new MBR-based wastewater treatment process, LOOP MBR (Low Opex and OPtimized MBR), and reports the results of successful pilot studies where 90% nitrogen removal was achieved without post-denitrification. N-removal is achieved by the cyclical step feed system with a total realized 12Q recycle.

### STORMWATER PROGRAM

# Stormwater Management at the Regional Level Wild Rose B

Moderator: Nathan Walker, Gannett Fleming

### 1:00-1:30pm - Next Generation Stormwater Master Planning

Speaker: Andrew Anderson, PE, Hazen and Sawyer

Recent history has demonstrated how rapidly and unexpectedly watershed conditions and priorities can change, which can quickly diminish the value of a conventional stormwater master plan. This presentation will provide examples of the range of tools and approaches available to municipalities to support next generation stormwater master planning efforts, while discerning the benefits and limitations of these tools.

# 1:35-2:05pm – The Social and Economic Impacts of an Urban Flood Prone Watershed in Pittsburgh, PA and Nature Based Strategies for Flood Mitigation

Speakers: Tom Batroney, PE, CFM, HDR; and Lisa Brown, Watersheds of South Pittsburgh

The Saw Mill Run watershed in Pittsburgh, PA is historically prone to dangerous flash flooding. As a result, significant disinvestment has occurred. This presentation will outline an approach for quantifying the economic and social impacts of persistent flooding and using this information for developing flood mitigation strategies.

### 2:10-2:40pm – Blue and Green Infrastructure for Climate Resiliency: A New Orleans Case Study

Speaker: Bernadette Callahan, PE, Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

Successful urban water management strategies that promote resilient and adaptive design require us to explore to a new norm of treating water as a resource instead of a nuisance or threat. This presentation highlights the importance of blue and green infrastructure with a New Orleans case study.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

### 3:40-4:10pm - Public Outreach Success for All

Speaker: Barbara Arnold, Lower Allen Township

Collaborating with school systems and other large properties in a municipality can increase understanding, improve community relations, and provide ongoing growing of BMPs for future generations.

### 4:15-4:45pm - Pennsylvania State Water Plan Update

Speaker: James Horton, PA DEP

This interactive session will summarize the updated Pennsylvania State Water Plan. The Plan is intended to educate all Pennsylvanians on stewardship of our lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater. DEP's Water Use and Planning Section developed the Plan in collaboration with more than 100 water resources professionals on six regional committees.

### **UTILITY MANAGEMENT & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS PROGRAM**

### Managing Risk in Today's Regulatory Environment Wild Rose A

Moderators: Nicole Brown, Suburban Consulting Engineers; and Elizabeth Cheeseman, GHD

### 1:00-1:30pm – Extracting Actionable Findings from a Condition Assessment of Over 8,000 Assets

Speakers: Benjamin Deatrich, AECOM; and Melanie Murphy, Philadelphia Water Department This presentation will review steps taken by the Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) to assess the conditions of over 8,000 vertical wastewater assets and discuss how PWD overcame the challenge of translating the collected data into an actionable replacement schedule for its wastewater treatment plants.

### 1:35-2:05pm – Human Resources: Retention and Recruiting the 21st Century Worker

Speaker: Heath Edelman, PE, LO,

Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology

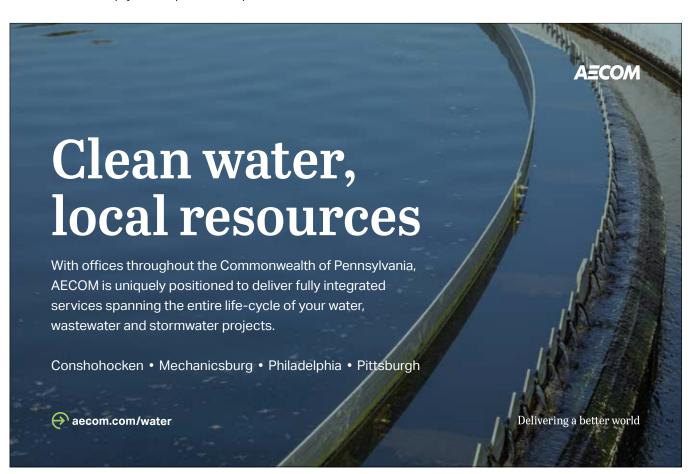
Water utilities are finding it increasingly difficult to recruit, hire, and retain talent in this post-COVID-19 labor market. This presentation will review current challenges including escalation of labor costs, legal concerns, ethics, and succession planning. Historical approaches to recruiting and hiring should be reimagined and workforce development merged with community outreach initiatives.

### 2:10-2:40pm - Risk Management Perspectives Panel

Panelists: Tom Spokas, Philadelphia Water Dept (Large Utility); Mike Kyle, Lancaster Area Sewer Authority (Medium Utility); and Jan Klotz, Mount Pocono Municipal Authority (Small Utility)

Managers of large, medium, and small utilities will engage with the audience on how they manage fiscal and operational risks in today's world.

### 2:40-3:40am - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall



### 3:40-4:45pm - DEP Update

Speaker: Jay Patel, PA Department of Environmental Protection

DEP will present an update on various initiatives and ongoing changes to its regulations and policies that could affect you as an operator or manager of a utility.

### TUESDAY MORNING

### 7:55-8:00am - 5-Minute Vendor Presentations

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Collection Systems - Making Structures Stronger and Last Longer Presented by PULLMAN

Engineering & Construction - Improved Technology for Wastewater Treatment Plant Processes

Presented by Parkson Corporation / Kershner Environmental Technologies

Privatization - Privatization of Water & Wastewater Utilities - Pros and Cons

Presented by Remington & Vernick Engineers

### **BIOSOLIDS PROGRAM**

### 11:15-11:45am - Mobile Sessions in Exhibit Hall

Moderator: Chris Boyd, Charter Machine Company

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**How Does a Centrifuge Work** 

Presented by Flottweg Separation Technology Inc.

**Types of Dewatering Equipment Used in Industrial Applications**Presented by Mobile Dredging & Video Pipe Inc.

**Description of Electroosmosis Dewatering** 

Presented by Charter Machine Company

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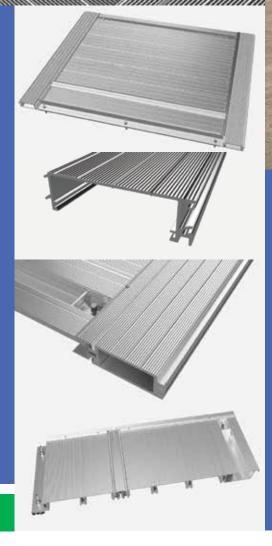
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### **COLLECTION SYSTEMS PROGRAM**

### System Technologies Crystal A

Moderators: Elizabeth Cheeseman and Melissa Smith, both with GHD

# 8:00-8:30am – Innovation vs. Risk: Using Artificial Intelligence Responsibly to Augment the Role of CCTV Operators in Wastewater Inspections

Speaker: Justin Starr, PhD, Community College of Allegheny County

Artificial Intelligence has been touted as a technology with the potential to replace CCTV operators. This positioning is unrealistic, as inspectors provide essential data about system health. Instead, we will show how AI deployed correctly – as a 'decision support' tool – can compensate for cognitive overload and augment rather than replace an inspector.

### 8:35-9:05am – Assessing I&I Issues Using Intelligent Data Collection and Management Systems

Speaker: Ifeanyi Odigboh, PE, CFM, CPESC, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.

Accurately identifying and assessing I&I and its impacts on collection systems and WWTPs has always been problematic. This paper presents Smartwater approaches and techniques you can use to characterize flows in your systems which will enhance assessment and mitigation efforts while reducing costs.

# 9:10-9:40am – The Implementation of Artificial Intelligence for Optimizing Odor Control Chemical Dose Rates

Speaker: Calvin Horst, Evoqua Water Technologies

This presentation will demonstrate the successful use of artificial intelligence for the routine optimization of dosing odor control chemicals into a wastewater collection system. Included are the results of its implementation in two odor control applications, optimized weekly resulting in as good or better odor control without increasing chemical usage.

### 9:40-10:40am – Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

### 10:40-11:45am - Smart Panel

Panelists: Alton Whittle, GHD; George Sarapa, GPI; Claire Maulhardt, Capital Region Water; Calvin Horst, Evoqua Water Technologies; Kevin Flis, Xylem, and Justin Starr, Community College of Allegheny County

The advancement of Smart Technologies to function as a tool to assist in the operation and management of collection systems has progressed significantly in recent years. Please join us for a discussion with industry experts to discuss the current and future state of Smart Technologies and applications.



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### **ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

### **PFAS and Wastewater**

### Magnolia AB

Moderators: Jeremiah Stratton, Bowen Engineering Corp; and Scott Armbrust, PA American Water Co.

# 8:00-8:30am – Designing a PFAS Removal System – More Than Just Carbon

Speaker: Mark A. Hubal, PE, BCEE, Remington & Vernick Engineers

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a high-priority concern in the water/wastewater sectors. There are thousands of PFAS compounds; several are already regulated by certain states. EPA will soon be promulgating regulations - utilities should prepare to design treatment. This presentation will review different treatments and issues/constraints associated with each.

# 8:35-9:05am – PFAS in Wastewater: Promising Management and Treatment Strategies

Speaker: Jay Surti, PE, GHD

Using case studies, this presentation will provide regulatory updates, steps wastewater utilities can take to evaluate and mitigate PFAS risks through promising management strategies such as source control, adaptive planning, implementing treatment (separation and destruction) to address PFAS challenges, and disposal approaches for PFAS laden treatment media.

### 9:10-9:40am - PFAS Treatment Design 102: Beyond the Basics

Speakers: Jon Reuther, PE, and Kyle Hay, PE, both with Brown and Caldwell

It's important for utilities to keep abreast of the rapidly changing PFAS treatment industry to appropriately respond to potential challenges. Utilities and consultants will benefit from this presentation which will move beyond design basics and shine a light on some of the unique challenges associated with PFAS treatment in drinking water.

### 9:40-10:40am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:40-11:10am – A Multi-Pronged Approach for Managing PFAS in Water Resource Reclamation Facilities

Speakers: Mohammad Abu-Orf and Micah Blate, both with Hazen and Sawyer

PFAS are ubiquitous, mobile, persistent, and can be cycled within the WRRF and be present in the effluent and biosolids. This presentation will provide insights into how two WRRFs are utilizing a combination source control, and terminal liquids and biosolids treatment technologies to address PFAS.

### 11:15-11:45am - PFAS Considerations for Wastewater Professionals

Speaker: Kevin W. Custer, PhD, Pace Analytical Services, LLC

In this session you will learn about PFAS sources and receivers for wastewater systems, selecting the applicable test methods, field sampling considerations, and a regulatory update at the federal and state levels.

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### INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT PROGRAM

### Magnolia CD

Moderators: Jenna Bishop and Dave Schlott, Jr., both with ARRO Consulting, Inc.

### 8:00-8:30am - PFAS Removal? Problem Solved

Speaker: Mike Cecil, DBIA, Cecil Consulting, LLC

The first-of-its-kind patented system for PFAS removal! This is the latest buzzword in the industry, and you will learn all about groundbreaking technology that is proven and currently going through extensive pilot testing. A case study on the city of Summerville, Georgia. It is intriguing.

### 8:35-9:05am - Sampling 101

Speaker: Brad Griffiths, M.J. Reider Associates

To obtain representative and legally defensible sampling results, it is necessary to follow specific protocols that are standard practice in the industry. This session will cover the basics of industrial user sampling, including sample types, field parameters, equipment maintenance, chain of custody, sample preservation and hold times, etc.

# 9:10-9:40am – Degreasing the Pipes: Effectively Processing FOG at the Central WPCF

Speaker: Kelly Baxter, PE, Mott MacDonald

The Ocean County Utility Authority is looking to improve handling of fats, oils, and grease (FOG) at its Central Water Pollution Control Facility. This presentation details challenges and engineered solutions associated with bulk FOG conveyance and storage. Learn also how OCUA plans to beneficially use FOG.

### 9:40-10:40am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

### 10:40-11:10am – Most-Open-Valve Automation Automated Solutions for Optimizing Aeration Blowers Using VFDs & Advanced Controls

Speaker: Bob Kisler, Hoffman & Lamson

A successful control system design must integrate the process requirements at the basins, the distribution of air flow between basins, and control of the blowers providing the air flow. A variety of parameters must be incorporated into the control logic for each portion of the process.

### 11:15-11:45am – Elements of an Industrial User Permit

Speaker: Jenna Bishop, ARRO Consulting, Inc.

This presentation reviews the requirements of an industrial user permit required for all industrial users that are part of the industrial pretreatment program as required by 40 CFR Part 403.

### **PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM**

### **Empire A**

Moderator: Michael Kyle, Lancaster Area Sewer Authority

# 8:00-9:40am – Privatization Issues for Water and Wastewater Authorities in Pennsylvania, Part 1

Speaker: Steven A. Hann, Esq, Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin

This presentation will cover the background of privatization. Privatization is a misunderstood phenomenon occurring with our water utilities. While there are certainly cases where a private utility is more beneficial to a community than a public one, and vice-versa, communities need to prepare and educate themselves to make informed decisions for their community now and in the future. An informed decision should be made based on the right information and data. This presentation will cover the background of privatization, the *Municipality Authorities Act*, Act 12 of 2016, the Public Utility Commission, resources for Municipal Authorities regarding private party acquisitions, the value of a Municipal Authority to the community and recent examples of privatization.

### 9:40-10:40am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:40-11:10am – Privatization Issues for Water and Wastewater Authorities in Pennsylvania, Part 2

Speaker: Steven A. Hann, Esq, Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin

This is a continuation of the earlier presentation. See description for Part 1.

### 11:15-11:45am – Our Negotiation with Privatization: The Financial Analysis

Speaker: John Larson, Norristown Sewer Treatment Plant

The Norristown Sewer Authority operates the sewer system for Norristown, PA. The Municipality of Norristown and the Authority experienced full exposure to selling their assets to a private organization. This presentation will examine the financial analysis and politics that drove the final outcome.

### PROFESSIONAL OPERATORS PROGRAM

### Wild Rose B

Moderator: Dennis Duryea, Kiski Valley Water Pollution Control Authority

### 8:00-8:30am – Will It Fit? Using 3D Laser Scanning Technology to Integrate New Infrastructure into Existing Facilities

Speakers: Dan Goodwin, PE and Neil Wakeman, both with Wade Trim, Inc.

Recently our industry has been challenged to retrofit new projects into existing infrastructure. Reality capture is a technological advancement that allows digital capture of existing facilities that can be transformed into a 3D model for use in design, allowing for new facilities to be designed in and around existing infrastructure.

### 8:35-9:05am – Facility Planning for Nutrient Removal Using Proactive Testing of Innovative Technologies

Speaker: Sean McKelvey, PE, Philadelphia Water Department

The Philadelphia Water Department (PWD) has explored different innovative nutrient management technologies to meet pending effluent ammonia and TN limits. This presentation will cover desktop, bench, and ongoing pilot studies for evaluating an innovative nutrient management technology called the Nuvoda mobile organic biofilm (MOBTM).

# 9:10-9:40am – FlexRake IQ® Screens Increase Safety, Decrease Costs and Minimize Risk in Crookston, MN

Speaker: Steve Macomber, Duperon Corporation

The City of Crookston, Minnesota, needed an efficient and capable tool to remove problem contaminants including rocks, sand, and flushable wipes from its sewage. To eliminate the dangerous and expensive problem, the city turned to Duperon's FlexRake IQ® screen.

### 9:40-10:40am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

### 10:40-11:45am - Advanced Biological Nutrient Removal

Speaker: Dennis J. Barnes, PE, Xylem, Inc.

Traditionally, Biological Nutrient Removal was based on nitrification in aerobic zones, denitrification in non-aerated anoxic zones, and non-aerated anaerobic zones to enhance biological phosphorus removal. In recent years, other pathways to achieve BNR have been demonstrated. The benefits of using these pathways to achieve BNR will be discussed.

### **UTILITY MANAGEMENT & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS PROGRAM**

# Project Planning and Financing Wild Rose A

Moderators: Peggy Miller, RETTEW;

and Maria White, PA One Call Systems

# 8:00-8:30am – Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning from a Utility Management Perspective

Speaker: William L. Bohner, Jr., PE, ARRO Consulting, Inc.

This presentation will look beyond Act 537 Sewage Facilities Planning as the municipal and regulatory exercise to plan for future wastewater needs. It will provide an overview of how to plan operationally to be ready for future wastewater flows related to potential upgrade to collection, conveyance, and treatment systems.

### 8:35-9:05am – Accelerate Your Project(s) by Utilizing the Technical Assistance Program to Increase Access to IIJA Funding

Speaker: Quay Schappell, Larson Design Group

Want to get your project ready to ensure you maximize the opportunity to receive Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding? Learn about the no-cost program to assist in preparing and submitting a complete funding application for eligible capital improvement projects.

# 9:10-9:40am – Don't Flush Your Savings: Cost Effective Energy Conservation for Your Plant

Speakers: Ben Pressman, PE, Spotts, Stevens and McCoy; and Heather Cowley, PA DEP

Explore cost-effective energy conservation opportunities common to many plants, increasing challenges of balancing water and air quality regulations with energy and climate concerns to minimize overall negative impacts, and insight from DEP on the department's sustainability goals and plans to assist municipalities in reaching their goals.

### 9:40-10:40am - Morning Break in Exhibit Hall

# 10:40-11:10am – Developing Projects with Complex Planning and Permitting Requirements; When It Makes Sense to Separate Projects to Meet Compliance Deadlines

Speakers: Josiah D. Bair, PE and Elizabeth Cheeseman, both with GHD, Inc.

What started out as an inflow and infiltration removal project to meet consent order compliance became a review of end-of-service-life of the force main, determination of future capacity of the trunk line, and evaluation of construction alternatives to reduce forested wetland impacts. The presentation will discuss associated planning, permitting, decisions, and impacts.

# 11:15-11:45am – Developing Projects with Complex Planning and Permitting Requirements; When It Makes Sense to Separate Projects to Meet Compliance Deadlines

Speaker: Tesra Schlupp, PENNVEST

PENNVEST funding options – traditional, new and innovative ways to fund projects as well as Federal Infrastructure Bill funding information. PENNVEST services the communities and citizens of Pennsylvania by funding sewer, storm water, non-point source and drinking water improvement projects. The primary focus of the presentation will be on PENNVEST funding opportunities.

### **TUESDAY AFTERNOON**

### 12:55-1:00pm – 5-Minute Vendor Presentations

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**Collection Systems - Manhole and Pump Station Rehabilitation**Presented by Advanced Rehabilitation Technology

Engineering & Construction – Dutchland Precast Concrete Tank Solutions Presented by Dutchland

Industrial Waste Pretreatment – How to Have a Successful Multi-jurisdictional Pretreatment Program

Presented by Remington & Vernick Engineers

Professional Operators - Benefits of Oxygen & Ozone for H2S Removal in Collection Systems
Presented by Anue/Kershner Environmental Technologies

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### **COLLECTION SYSTEMS PROGRAM**

Wet Weather Flows Crystal A

Moderators: Alexandra King, Herbert, Rowland & Grubic; and Lucas Chapman, Flow Assessment Services

### 1:00-1:30pm – Regional Combined Sewer Separation – Challenges & Lessons Learned

Speakers: Stephanie Cuthbert, PE, CME, and Christopher McCormick, both with Remington & Vernick Engineers

Combined Sewer Systems have established their respective Long Term Control Plans and the evaluation of alternatives to control combined sewer overflows. For three Combined System Owners, the regional separation of their systems is underway. The presentation will review lessons learned from a technical and construction perspective and government collaboration effort.

### 1:35-2:05pm – Storm Event Analysis for Active Control Structures

Speakers: Philip Pickering, PE, Philadelphia Water Department; and Eddie Speer, PE, PMP, Stantec Inc.

Engineers at the Philadelphia Water Department analyze storm event data collected by remote sensors using spreadsheet templates as a powerful tool for monitoring the health of the collection system. Their focus is on active gate controls used to direct flows and minimize combined sewer overflows.

# 2:10-2:40pm – Hydraulic Modeling, Can It Be More than Steady State Snapshots?

Speaker: Matt Crow, PE, Hazen and Sawyer

This presentation will provide a defined approach to assessing the impacts of treatment facilities upgrades as well as wet-weather flow, utilizing calibrated dynamic hydraulic model. A series of PA case studies will be shared as practical application of this approach.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

### 3:40-4:45pm - Collection Systems Quizzo

Moderators: Jim Shelton, Arcadis; and Cheryl Paulin, `ADS Environmental

The Collection Systems Quizzo will feature multiple short presentations with fun quizzes to test your knowledge led by industry experts.

### How to Calculate the Slope of a Pipe

Presented by Vanessa Nedrick, Remington & Vernick

### How to Calculate the Capacity of a Gravity Pipe

Presented by Steve Gibson, Gwin, Dobson & Foreman

### Selecting CSO Storage vs. Treatment

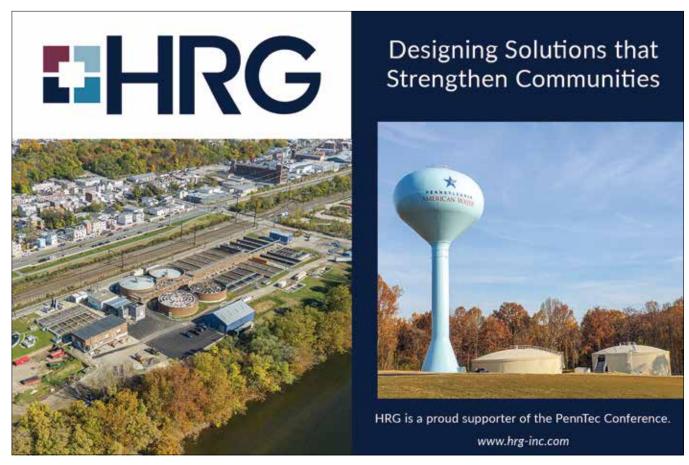
Presented by Ed Zalewski, Sherwood Logan

### **How to Read a Pump Curve**

Presented by Dan Hennessy, Municipal Maintenance Co

### **Manhole Inspections Using 3D Cameras**

Presented by Shawn Downey, Larson Design Group



### **ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

### Wastewater Process and Technology

Magnolia AB

Moderators: Robert Dengler. Gannett Fleming; and Matt Chisnell, Capital Region Water

### 1:00-1:30pm – A Comprehensive Approach to Utilizing Embedded Carbon Maximizes Bio-P and Aeration Efficiency

Speaker: Tyler Kunz, PE, EnviroMix

A demonstration at a 5.5 MGD water reclamation facility modified existing infrastructure to add an adaptive process reactor and inline fermentation using compressed gas mixing. This approach improves management of the carbon that enters the facility. Results will be shared demonstrating improved nutrient removal, chemical reduction and energy savings.

### 1:35-2:05pm – Using Siphon to Reduce Cost and Simplify MBR Operations

Speakers: Joel Kostelac, PE BCEE; and Thor Young, both with GHD

Most membrane bioreactors (MBRs) use pumps to draw permeate through the membranes. However, with sufficient downstream head, a siphon or partial siphon can be used to draw permeate through the membranes by gravity, thus saving energy. This paper explores siphon design, operation, and multiple case studies to highlight its benefits.

# 2:10-2:40pm – Utilization and Practical Approach of Ammonia-Based Aeration Control (ABAC) at Bonnybrook Wastewater Treatment Plant, Canada

Speaker: Danelle Bishoff, MASc, EIT, Stantec Consulting Ltd.

Ammonia-based aeration control (ABAC) can provide energy savings with the aim of maintaining partial nitrification in the system. Two strategies for ABAC in a full-scale system and BioWin® were reviewed: feedforward-feedback based on (i) cascading DO setpoints dependent on ammonia load; and, (ii) modified DO setpoints based on microbial kinetics.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

### 3:40-4:10pm – Shining a Light on UV Disinfection Facility Design

Speaker: Andrew D. Crew, Gannett Fleming; and Richard Dudek, PA American Water Co.

Ultra-violet (UV) disinfection has gained popularity in wastewater treatment. Gannett Fleming recently designed a 60 MGD UV system for an existing facility. Design challenges included treating landfill leachate, providing back-up disinfection, reducing algal growth and maintaining residual dissolved oxygen. This presentation will discuss preliminary engineering though construction and lessons learned.

### 4:15-4:45pm – Wet Weather Compliance and ALCOSAN'S CSO Bypass and Disinfection Project

Speakers: Joel Kostelac, PE BCEE, GHD; and Jeff Argyros, ALCOSAN

As part of their ongoing wet weather compliance program, the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN) continues their major plant expansion and upgrade projects. This presentation focuses on the design of the project at the heart of the facility, which will provide primary effluent bypass and disinfection to nearly 300 MGD.

### **INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT PROGRAM**

### Magnolia CD

Moderators: Jenna Bishop and Dave Schlott, Jr., both with ARRO Consulting, Inc.

### 1:00-1:30pm – Brewery Wastes and Impact on Wastewater

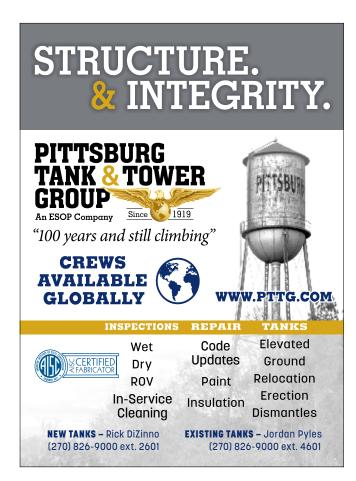
Speaker: Natalie O'Connor, Entech Engineering, Inc.

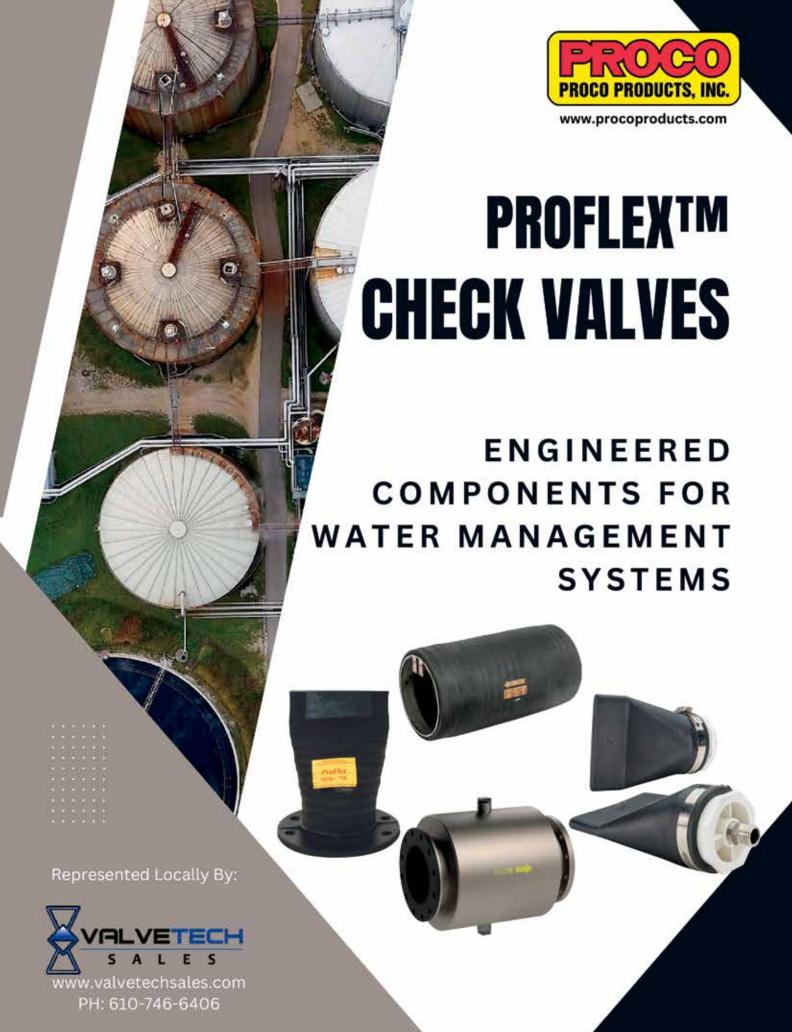
Microbreweries are popping up in communities across the state. These breweries can grow rapidly, increasing the wastes generated and the impact on wastewater. This session will present information on brewery wastes, opportunities for recycling in lieu of discharge with wastewater, and possibilities for reduction in organic loading with the wastewater discharged to a POTW.

### 1:35-2:05pm – Industrial User Inspections

Speaker: H. David Miller, Entech Engineering, Inc.

In accordance with the Industrial Pretreatment regulations, all Significant Industrial Users (SIUs) must be inspected at least annually. This session will cover the steps for conducting an inspection of an SIU, including Pre-Inspection Conference, Review of Records, Facility Walk-Through, Wastewater Sample Collection, Facility and Pretreatment System Photos, Employee Interviews, and Closing Conference.





# 2:10-2:40pm – A Sustainable Real-World Approach to Removing PFAS from Contaminated Water Sources

Speaker: George Federico, Theia, LLC

This presentation explores the application of dry media for treating PFAS contaminated water. We provide data and comparative performance of different medias as well as hurdles these different water sources present and the solutions to overcoming them. We touch on exciting new destruction technologies for dealing with spent treatment media.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

### 3:40-4:10pm - Reducing Bakery Wastewater FOG - A Case Study

Speakers: Kara Humes and Dale Miller, both with Entech Engineering, Inc.

Large commercial bakeries can be a significant source of fats, oils and grease (FOG). This session will include a case study of a sweet goods manufacturing industry and the method used to reduce FOG and total suspended solids in the wastewater effluent discharged to a POTW.

# 4:15-4:45pm – Wastewater: A Reflection of Society – The Impact of PFAS on Water Reclamation Facilities

Speaker: Jane Madden, PE, BCEE, CDM Smith

PFAS fast are becoming part of the vernacular of water/ wastewater utilities, and their impact on the cost to operate can be astounding. Research to date on the occurrence and fate and transport of PFAS through WRRFs, current regulations, and means to help Pennsylvania prepare for future regulations will be presented.

### LABORATORY PRACTICES PROGRAM

### **Empire D**

Moderator: Curtis Huey, Borough of Mechanicsburg

# 1:00-2:00pm – Q&A Roundtable with PA DEP Bureau of Laboratories

Presenter: Annmarie Beach,

Chief of the Laboratory Accreditation Program

Join this roundtable discussion to talk about your questions regarding the Laboratory Accreditation Program, future changes to the program, audits, and other related topics.

### PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM

### **Empire A**

Moderator: Autumn Crawford, Western Butler County Authority

# 1:00-1:30pm – Best Practices of Effectively Managed Utilities – Private and Public

Speaker: Michael Kyle, Lancaster Area Sewer Authority

The presenter will discuss how to implement and maintain asset management for proactive success. An update on SB 597 will be included.

# 1:35-2:05pm – Effective Educating – Stakeholder and Community Outreach

Speaker: Jason Dailey, Dailey Operation Consulting, LLC

The presenter will discuss effective communication and education of stakeholders, key decision makers, and the community on privatization.

### 2:10-2:40pm – Why We Offer Privatization: A Brief Talk from Aqua PA

Speaker: Todd Duerr, Aqua PA

The passage in 2016 of Act 12 allowed water and wastewater utilities to offer their assets for sale at fair market value. Several utilities in Pennsylvania have sold their systems to Aqua PA. This presentation will offer insight from Aqua PA.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

# 3:40-4:10pm – Downingtown Area Regional Authority – Alternatives to Privatization

Speaker: Herbert Mays, Downingtown Area Regional Authority

Downingtown Area Regional Authority (DARA) has practiced a hybrid of public/private since the late 1980s. The presenter will discuss the benefits, including being able to maintain ownership of assets.

### 4:15-4:45pm – Financial Solvency for Authorities Before and During Privatization

Speakers: Adrienne Vicari and Bruce Hulshizer, both with Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

Strategies for financial solvency whether privatization is on the table or not will be discussed.

### PROFESSIONAL OPERATORS PROGRAM

### Wild Rose B

Moderator: Dennis Duryea, Kiski Valley Water Pollution Control Authority

### 1:00-1:30pm – The First Full-Scale Sidestream Treatment on the West Coast using the Microvi MNE Nitrogen Removal Technology

Speaker: Jacob Metch, Microvi

Sidestream treatment is an attractive mechanism for managing nutrient discharge loads. Oro Loma Sanitary District implemented Microvi's MNE technology to manage nutrients from their 20 MGD facility in the San Francisco Bay Area. This presentation details the results of the first years' operation of the MNE technology at Oro Loma.

# 1:35-2:05pm - Polymer/Flocculant 101 - Fundamentals of Thickening and Dewatering

Speaker: Patrick Gallagher, PhD, UGSI Solutions, Inc.

This presentation illustrates how to optimize polymer performance by understanding many factors that affect the quality of polymer solution such as polymer chemistry, handling, water, mixing profile, and aging. Laboratory testing and field evaluations at municipal wastewater treatment plants confirmed that well-designed polymer systems could improve dewatering process significantly.

# 2:10-2:40pm – Case Studies of True Batch Sequencing Batch Reactor Systems Designed for Nutrient Removal

Speaker: Thea Davis, Aqua-Aerobic Systems, Inc.

This presentation will cover the true batch version of the SBR Technology and highlight operation of several plants in Pennsylvania and surrounding states. An SBR system operates in a time management approach allowing for modifications to the environment to meet stringent effluent, including total nitrogen and total phosphorus.

### 2:40-3:40pm - Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall

# 3:40-4:10pm – S2EBPR Operation at the Upper Montgomery Joint Authority WRRF Achieves Consistent, Reliable and Cost-Effective Phosphorus Removal

Speakers: Paul Dombrowski, PE, BCEE, F.WEF, and Anthony Elberti, both with Woodard & Curran; and Jason DiPietro, Upper Montgomery Joint Authority

The Upper Montgomery Joint Authority completed a significant upgrade of their trickling filter/solid contact process to full biological nutrient removal activated sludge in 2019. The presentation will describe the project and focus on startup and operation of the facility, especially the sidestream enhanced biological phosphorus removal (S2EBPR) system that has proven very effective at removing phosphorus.

# 4:15-4:45pm – Zero2Waste® Gravity Filter Systems – Water... Every Drop Counts!

Speaker: Mark Romers, ITAC

This presentation showcases the results and conclusions for a backwash optimization pilot study at a large gravity filter water plant in the Atlanta Georgia area and a large water plant in south Texas whose water source is the Rio Grande River where they reduced their backwash water consumption substantially.

### STUDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM & POSTER CONTEST

### Wild Rose A

Moderator: Holly Frederick, Wilkes University

### 1:00-4:45pm

The Research Program showcases the ongoing research activities of students (graduate and undergraduate) in the fields of wastewater, water quality, and environmental management relevant to Pennsylvania. Oral presentations and poster presentations will be made by the students. See page 65 for list of presentations.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING**

### **ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM**

**WWTP Process and Solids Handling** 

### Magnolia AB

Moderators: Robert Dengler. Gannett Fleming; and Qian Zhang, GHD

### 8:00-8:30am – Troubleshooting Start-Up of Dewatering Screw Presses

Speakers: Jeffrey Harman, EIT, and Logan Jury, both with Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

See a highly successful approach to troubleshooting dewatering system start-ups based on several case studies. Content applies to all dewatering systems, but emphasizes screw presses, a technology for which system-wide troubleshooting guidance isn't readily available. Topics will include polymer make-down and quality control, solids conditioning, and screw press performance optimization.

# 8:35-9:05am – Polymer Treatment Applications 5 Key Design Elements that Should Be Considered During the Course of the Design Selection through Project Delivery

Speakers: Edward Spayd, PE, and Logan Jury, both with Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

Polymer addition costs can make up a large fraction of the operating budget for treatment facilities. To avoid polymer overuse and minimize costs, utilities must carefully select their polymer and properly coordinate design. Learn how to ensure successful start-up and operation of polymer treatment applications in this presentation.

# 9:10-9:40am - Cold Temperature Nitrification of Lagoon Wastewater Using a Biologically Active Filter (BAF), Seven Years of Operation

Speaker: Philip Pedros, PhD, PE, Mott MacDonald

This presentation will describe the use of a biological active filter (BAF) for cold temperature nitrification at a lagoon. The theory of the process and performance data from the last 7 years of operation in Waverly Township, PA will be presented.

### 9:40-10:10am - Morning Break in Hallway

# 10:10-10:40am – Optimizing the Feed to the GHJSA's Fluidized Bed Sewage Sludge Incinerator

Speaker: Nicholaus Sahd, Gannett Fleming, Inc.

Greater Hazleton Joint Sewer Authority's 15 dry ton/day Fluidized Bed Sewage Sludge Incinerator became operational in June 2020. Gannett Fleming will present an overview of the new incinerator process and detail how fats, oils, and grease in the solids feed resulted in cost savings and limited supplemental fuel need.

# 10:45-11:15am – First North American Installation of an Adaptive Clarifier Inlet

Speaker: Mario Benisch, PE, GHD

The adaptive clarifier inlet promises optimal (adaptive) hydraulics and blanket filtration to produce filter effluent quality and add capacity. The first US installation (Norfolk, VA) met that promise with an average effluent turbidity < 2 ntu and an estimated capacity gain of 30%.

### PFAS PROGRAM

### Magnolia CD

Moderators: Elizabeth Cheeseman, GHD; and Linda Leopold, Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority

# 8:00-8:30am – PFAS in Wastewater: Promising Management and Treatment Strategies

Speaker: Jay R. Surti, PE, GHD, Inc.

Using case studies, this presentation will provide regulatory updates, steps wastewater utilities can take to evaluate and mitigate PFAS risks through promising management strategies such as source control, adaptive planning, implementing treatment (separation and destruction) to address PFAS challenges, and disposal approaches for PFAS laden treatment media.

### 8:35-9:05am – Lessons Learned in Five Years of Operating PFAS Treatment Facilities

Speaker: Alexander Dyke, PE, Gilmore & Associates, Inc.

What happens after startup? There are operational challenges with any new treatment facility, but those associated with treatment of a new or emerging contaminant can be unique. This presentation highlights the potential water quality, capacity, cost, and regulatory compliance challenges experienced by one Southeastern PA water provider.

# 9:10-9:40am – Technical and Legal Challenges for Addressing PFAS in Municipal Water Treatment Systems

Speaker: Brian J. Yates, PE, Burgess & Niple, Inc.

This presentation will cover the technical and legal challenges for addressing PFAS in municipal water treatment systems. These challenges include removal of PFAS in source waters and wastewater influent including technologies for removal of PFAS. Legal challenges include lawsuits related to upstream sources of PFAS and discharge of PFAS.

### 9:40-10:10am - Morning Break in Hallway

### 10:10-11:15am - Sampling and Analysis for PFAS

Speaker: Sara Kuzma-Stump, Suburban Testing Labs, Inc.

PFAS regulations affecting our public water suppliers and wastewater treatment plants are emerging. Sampling is complicated, and information about analysis is not yet widely understood. This presentation will cover what PFAS is, what the emerging lab testing requirements are, and sampling procedures.

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### **Student Research Presentations**

### Tuesday, 1:00-4:45pm - Wild Rose A

The Research Program showcases the ongoing research activities of students (graduate and undergraduate) in the fields of wastewater, water quality, and environmental management relevant to Pennsylvania. The PWEA Research Committee reviews student research abstract submissions from across the region and selects the top abstracts for oral presentation and to receive the Student Research Award. In addition, qualifying abstracts are invited to participate in a Poster Contest at the Conference. After judging by faculty and practicing engineers, the top poster presenters in both undergraduate and graduate categories will be selected. All posters will be available for viewing by Conference attendees. Awards will be presented during the Research Program.

### **Student Podium Presentations**

Title: Wastewater-Based Epidemiology: Detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in Bethlehem and Lehigh University Wastewater  Student: Nusaibah Alqasawah Lehigh University  Advisor: Kristen Jellison  Title: The Application of Pelletized Duckweed in Limiting Off-Site Nutrient Transport from Agricultural Fields  Student: Jordan Brown Penn State University  Advisor: Rachel Brennan  Title: Use of Duckweed to Treat Dairy Wastewater While Simultaneously Producing Protein-Rich Biomass for Livestock Feed in a Circular Bioeconomy  Student: Kari Lagan Penn State University  Advisor: Rachel Brennan  Title: The Role of Free-Living Amoeba in the Fate and Transport of Multi-Drug Resistant Bacteria in Drinking Water Systems  Student: Jennifer Rao Lehigh University  Advisor: Kristen Jellison  Title: Application of Wastewater-Based Epidemiology to Estimate Unreported COVID-19 Infections Using Machine Learning  Student: Shunyu Tang Cumberland Valley High School/Indiana University  Advisor: Yongtao Cao		
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### **Student Poster Presentation**

**Title**: The Recovery of Waste Nutrients under

Suboptimal Conditions to Generate Protein-Rich

Duckweed for Food Production

**Student:** Sarine McKenzie

Penn State University

Advisor: Rachel Brennan

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### Monday, June 19

6:30am Awards Committee

6:30am Biosolids Committee
6:30am Government Affairs Committee
6:30am Laboratory Practices Committee
6:30am Public Education Committee
7:00am Stormwater Committee

### Tuesday, June 20

**Curtis Huey** 

6:45am Collection Systems Committee
7:00am Engineering & Construction Committee
7:00am Professional Operators Committee
7:00am Students & Young Professionals Committee
7:00am Training Committee
7:00am Utility Management Committee
11:45am Research Committee (in Exhibit Hall)







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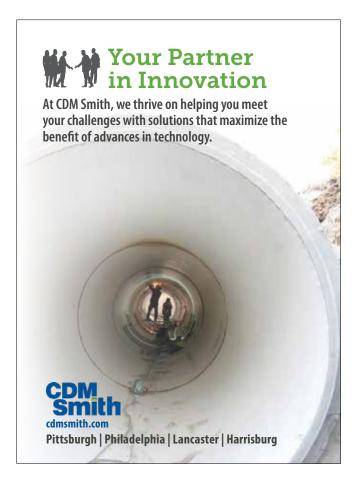
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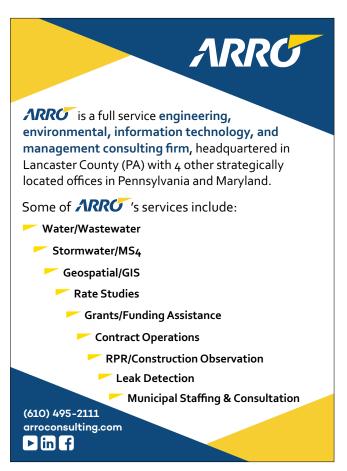




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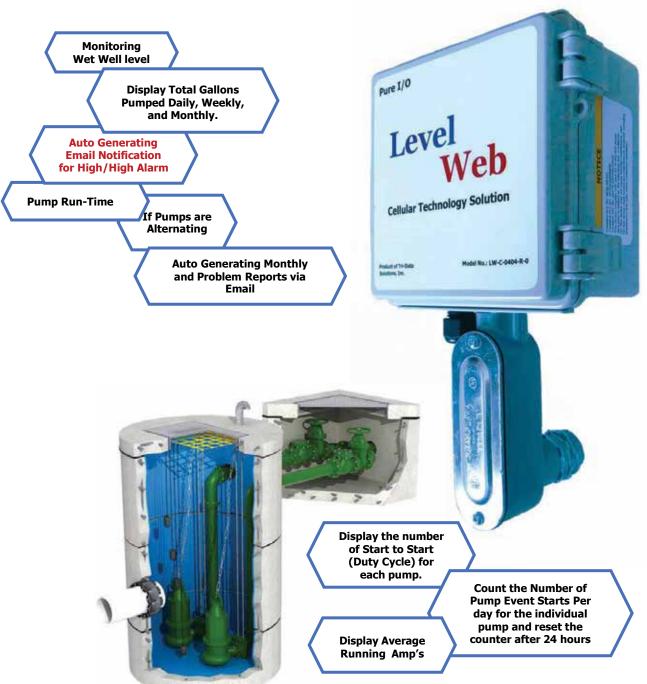
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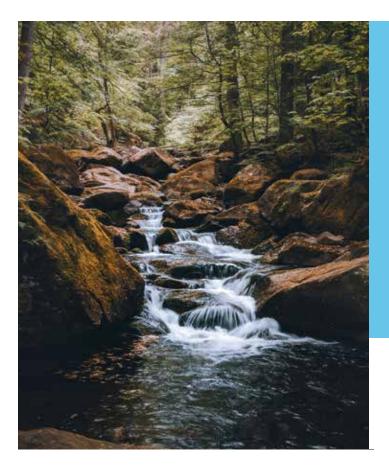
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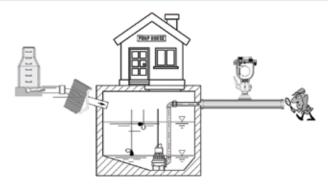


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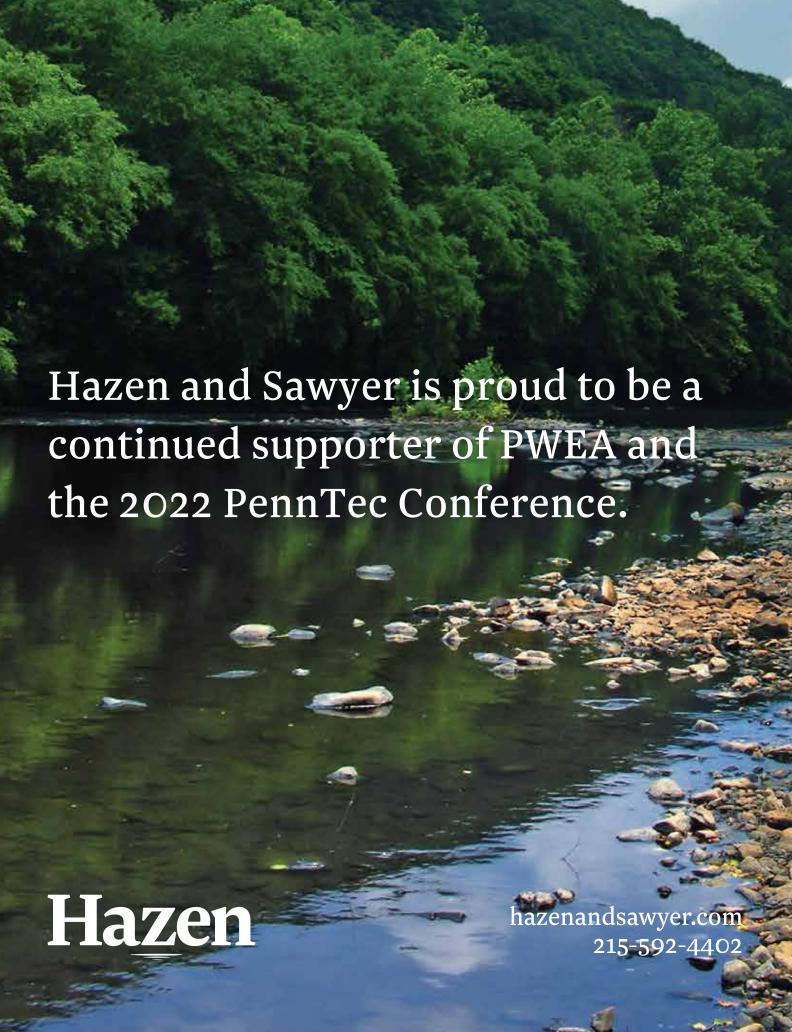




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