

Kara Humes Chair, PennTec 2022 Conference Committee

## **PennTec 2022 Vendor Invitation**

Dear Vendor,

We invite you to join us as an exhibitor/sponsor at the Pennsylvania Water Environment Association's 93rd Annual Technical Conference & Exhibition (PennTec 2022), which will be held at the Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel in State College, PA on June 5-8, 2022.

With an average yearly attendance of over 700 water quality professionals seeking the latest knowledge and technology available, PennTec would be a great place to get the word out about your products, equipment, and services!

In addition to booth space, various sponsorship opportunities are available. Details can be found within the pages of this Prospectus.

Please take a moment to review our Exhibit Hall Floor Plan and the other information included here. Prime space in the Exhibit Hall will sell quickly, so don't delay—send your contract or go online right away to reserve your preferred space!



Marilyn Baron Chair, Exhibits and Sponsors Subcommittee

## **PennTec Venue Selection Process**

Many people have asked how PWEA chooses the location for the Association's Annual Conference. Why can't it be closer to the western or eastern part of Pennsylvania? We fully understand the desire to have a location that is convenient to everyone working in the Commonwealth. Pennsylvania is a large state and water quality professionals are located across the entire state. The next question we are frequently asked is, why does PWEA use the same few venues over and over? The short answer is that a facility is needed that has sufficient capacity without high cost and venues that meet both of these criteria are limited. We need enough guest rooms for attendees, multiple classrooms, and an exhibit hall, while also being reasonably priced so that organizations will let employees attend.

Many professionals attend PWEA's Annual Conference for educational credit (DEP Contact Hours or PDH's) so a conference center is needed that can offer at least 7 or 8 classrooms large enough for up to 70 attendees. Exhibiting companies are an important part of the Annual Conference, so space is needed for up to 130 exhibit booths. Accommodations for networking functions are also needed. And finally, a place is needed that offers sufficient hotel rooms for attendees, preferably adjacent to the classrooms and exhibit hall to encourage networking. All of this is needed, in addition to good food, and offered for a reasonable cost.

PWEA's Executive Director and Conference Manager have researched facilities all over the state. Philadelphia and Pittsburgh would be nice, but they are expensive. Hotel guest rooms and meals are higher in cost. The convention centers would not allow our exhibiting companies to set-up their booths without paying for help. PWEA works hard to keep conference prices reasonable for both vendors and attendees.

The PennTec conference is and has always been the cornerstone of the educational, informational and networking opportunities offered by PWEA. Please know we value suggestions provided to the Association. We continue to evaluate any new or renovated conference venues.

## **Hotel Accommodations**

## Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel • 215 Innovation Blvd • State College, PA 16803

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Penn Stater for PennTec 2022. Reservations will be accepted beginning February 14 and must be made by May 5, 2022. Rooms may not be available after this date. The discounted room rate is as follows:

\$132.00 per Room/Single or Double Occupancy

This rate includes overnight accommodations only. All rooms are non-smoking. Call Reservations at 1-800-233-7505 and mention Reservation ID PWEA22G to receive the discounted rate. Online reservations can be made by going to <a href="https://thepennstaterhotel.psu.edu">https://thepennstaterhotel.psu.edu</a>







## **PennTec 2022 Preliminary Schedule**

## (as of December 31, 2021)

Visit www.pwea.org for the most current program schedule.

**Tuesday. June 7** 

Sunday, June 5	
11:00am-3:00pm	Community Service Project
3:00-5:00pm	Registration Open
5:00-6:30pm	Vendor Meet & Greet
Monday, June 6	
7:15am-5:00pm	Registration Open
7:45-8:45am	Continental Breakfast
8:25-8:30am	5-Minute Vendor Presentations
8:30-11:45am	Morning Technical Programs
8:45am-4:30pm	Workshops
10:10-10:40am	Morning Break
11:45am-1:00pm	Exhibit Hall Opens Complimentary Lunch in Exhibit Hall
12:30-1:00pm	Annual Business Meeting with Dessert & Coffee
12:55-1:00pm	5-Minute Vendor Presentations
1:00-3:30pm	Professional Operators (PO) and Students & Youn Professionals (SYP) Plant Tour
1:00-4:45pm	Afternoon Technical Programs
2:30-3:30pm	Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall
2:40-4:40pm	Operations Challenge
4:45-5:45pm	President's Reception in Exhibit Hall
5:45-7:00pm	Annual PWEA Awards Ceremony and Reception

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7:00am-5:30pm	Registration Open
7:30-8:30am	Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
7:55-8:00am	5-Minute Vendor Presentations
8:00-11:45am	Morning Technical Programs
8:00am-4:30pm	Workshops
9:00-11:30am	Stormwater Field Trip
9:40-10:40am	Morning Break in Exhibit Hall
11:45am-1:00pm	Complimentary Lunch in Exhibit Hall Student Research Poster Presentations
11:45am-1:00pm	Women's Initiative Summit and Luncheon
12:55-1:00pm	5-Minute Vendor Presentations
1:00-4:45pm	Afternoon Technical Programs
1:00-4:30pm	Student Research Presentations
2:40-3:40pm	Afternoon Break in Exhibit Hall
4:45-5:45pm	Beer & Pretzels Reception in Exhibit Hall Operator Olympics in Exhibit Hall

## Wednesday, June 8

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7:00-8:30am	Continental Breakfast
7:00am-12:00pm	Registration Open
7:55-8:00am	5-Minute Vendor Presentation:
8:00-11:15am	<b>Morning Technical Programs</b>
8:00-11:30am	Workshops
8:30am	Annual PWEA Golf Outing
9:40-10:10am	Morning Break
11:30am	Conference Concludes

# **Important Dates and Times for the Exhibit Hall**

Tailgate Dinner and Cornhole Tournament

organized by the SYP Committee

Exhibit booth set-up will be on Sunday, 3:00-5:00pm, and on Monday, 7:00-10:30am. If a booth is not set by 10:30am on Monday, the exhibitor must wait to set up during session times. Exhibitors may not set up their booths during open exhibit hours.

Sunday, June 5		Tuesday, June 7		
3:00-5:00am	Exhibitor Set-up	7:00-8:30am	Continental Breakfast	
5:00-6:30pm	Vendor Meet & Greet	9:40-10:40am	Exhibit Hall Break	
Manday Juna 6		11:45am-1:00pm	Exhibit Hall Break & Lunch	
Monday, June 6		2:40-3:40pm	Exhibit Hall Break	
7:00-10:30am	xhibitor Set-up	4:45-5:45pm	Beer & Pretzels Reception	
11:45am-1:00pm	Exhibit Hall Opens & Lunch	5:45-6:00pm	Raffle for Vendor Reps	
2:40-3:40pm	Exhibit Hall Break	6:00-7:00pm	Exhibit Teardown	
4:45-5:45pm	President's Reception	3.00-7.00pm		



7:15-9:30pm

## **General Information**

#### **Exhibit Booths**

Booths inside the Exhibit Hall are 8'x8'. Hallway booths are either 6'x8' or 8'x8'. Booths include pipe & drape back and sides; a 6' draped table; two chairs; a wastebasket; a standard header sign; one standard electric service; and complimentary internet access. The Exhibit Hall is carpeted. Booth reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-paid-in-full basis.

Limited space for oversized pieces of equipment is available in the nearby parking lot. Oversized equipment space is only available to companies who also reserve a booth.

#### **Exhibit Hall Hours**

The Exhibit Hall will open on Monday at 11:45am. Booth setup will be on Sunday, 3:00-5:00pm and on Monday, 7:00-10:30am. Teardown will begin at 6:00pm on Tuesday.

## **Booth Confirmations and Exhibitor Kits**

A confirmation email will be sent upon receipt of your exhibit contract and payment. A separate email will be sent later with your booth assignment, booth worker registration forms, and other information.

Our exposition vendor - Hershey Exposition Services - will provide an online exhibitor kit containing forms for services such as rental of furniture and accessories, drayage and labor services.

#### **Booth Worker Registration**

The cost of an exhibit booth includes complimentary Conference registrations for two booth workers. Two additional representatives may register at the discounted exhibitor rate of \$260 each. Booth worker registration forms will be provided after your booth is confirmed. A maximum of four booth workers will be permitted per contracted booth.

#### **Online Registration**

You may register for your booth and sponsorships online. Go to www.pwea.org click Event Registration under the Calendar tab, scroll down to the PennTec Exhibits & Sponsors event description, then click the Register link to go to the secure registration page. Online registration is available with credit card payment, or you may register online and then mail a check within 10 business days. **Booth assignments will be made after payment is received.** 

## **PWEA's Federal EIN**

The PWEA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization with a Federal EIN of 23-7169337.

## Rules, Policies, etc.

While the PWEA makes every effort to provide for a successful Conference, please be advised that there are factors which are not under the direct control of the PWEA—such as air conditioning, lighting, power, and weather.

## **Exhibit Rules and Regulations**

Please be sure to read the PWEA Exhibit Rules and Regulations included with your booth confirmation. You may request a copy in advance by calling or emailing the PWEA Conference Manager.

## **Indemnification Policy**

Each exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and liability for losses, damages, and claims arising out of the exhibitor's activities on the premises and will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Facility and PWEA, their agents, servants and contracted employees from any and all such losses, damages, and claims.

## **Security Policy**

No one will be allowed inside the Exhibit Hall at any time without a 2022 Conference badge; Hall monitors will be checking badges. While security will be provided inside the Exhibit Hall during off hours, we strongly advise you do not leave expensive items, such as laptops, unattended in your booth. The PWEA will not be held liable for any missing property.

## **Cancellation Policy**

Booth cancellations received in writing on or before April 29th, will receive a full refund less a \$250 processing fee. Cancellations received after that date, will not receive a refund.

## **No-Conflict Policy**

Hospitality events may not be held during scheduled Conference functions. Hospitality promotions must be handled by private invitation from within the exhibitor's booth. No announcements or signs will be permitted outside the contracted booth space.

## **Consent for Use of Photographic Images**

Registration and attendance at, or participation in, the PWEA Annual Technical Conference & Exhibition and related activities constitutes an agreement by the registrant to permit PWEA's use and distribution (both now and in the future) of his/her image in photographs, promotional materials, electronic reproductions, etc., of these events and activities.

## **Exhibit Hall Access**

The Exhibit Hall is open to all registered attendees and registered vendor representatives. Exhibit Hall monitors will be checking to make sure everyone is wearing the correct 2022 Conference name badge and lanyard.

## **What's Included With Your Booth Worker Registration?**

	Monday Continental Breakfast; Breaks; Lunch	<b>Monday</b> President's Reception	<b>Monday</b> Awards Reception	<b>Tuesday</b> Continental Breakfast; Breaks; Lunch	<b>Tuesday</b> Beer & Pretzels Reception	Wednesday Continental Breakfast; AM Break	Regular Conference Sessions
Complimentary Booth Workers (Reps 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Discounted Booth Workers (Reps 3 & 4)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## **Additional Information**

PWEA is committed to making your experience at our Conference as productive as possible. We structure the program schedule to get the attendees into the Exhibit Hall—then it's up to your sales representatives to capture their attention in order to promote your equipment and services.

#### **Logo Displays**

All exhibitors will have the opportunity for their company logos to be displayed on a large screen inside the exhibit hall for a fee of \$25. Sponsor logos will be displayed at no charge. Logos should be sent by email to cindyrock@pwea.org by April 8th. Logo files should be in high resolution JPG format.

#### **Vendor Meet & Greet**

The Exhibits & Sponsors Committee is organizing an informal gathering for exhibitors on Sunday, 5:00-6:30pm. Details will be provided with the official booth confirmation email.

#### **5-Minute Vendor Presentations**

Exhibitors will be offered the opportunity to make a 5-minute presentation about their products and services to attendees at the beginning of the Technical Programs. Details will be provided with the official booth confirmation email.

## **Exhibitor Booth Drawings**

We encourage you to hold company raffles within your booth space. PWEA will not be involved in selecting the winners of your raffles but we can announce the winners over the PA system on Tuesday afternoon. In order to have your raffle winners announced, winner information must be provided to PWEA registration staff by 1:00pm on Tuesday.

#### **Conference Raffle Prizes**

PWEA will raffle prizes at different times during the Conference. Attendees will be given raffle tickets, and there will be containers placed in the Exhibit Hall—one for each prize. Raffle tickets will be drawn in the Exhibit Hall on Monday and Tuesday. Attendees must be present to win. Exhibitor representatives are not eligible for these drawings.

#### Free Wireless Internet

Complimentary wireless internet service will be available to exhibitors and attendees in the Exhibit Hall.

## COVID-19

Any government restrictions and/or health and safety protocols in place at the time of the Conference will be strictly followed.

## **President's Reception**

The President's Reception will be held in the Exhibit Hall on Monday, 4:45-5:45pm. Complimentary beer and snacks will be served.

## **Beer & Pretzels Reception**

Complimentary beer, root beer, and soft pretzels will be served in the Exhibit Hall on Tuesday, 4:45-5:45pm.

#### Food & Break Stations

Food and break stations for registered PWEA attendees will be located in the Exhibit Hall. Food functions include the receptions, continental breakfasts, breaks, and lunches. Seating for meals will be in the adjacent courtyard.

During the Tuesday afternoon break, food stations will include a special offering of Creamery Cheddar Cheese and Penn State Summer Sausage.

## **Liability Waiver**

By registering for this event, you agree to release and discharge all claims for yourself and your heirs against PWEA, its Board of Directors, successors, assigns, officers, agents, contracted employees, and volunteers, and will hold them harmless from any and all liability or demands for personal injury, psychological injury, sickness, death, or claims resulting from personal injury or property damage, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by you relating to or as a result of your participation in business activities such as trainings and social events sponsored by PWEA. By registering for this event, you also acknowledge that participating in these events may include a possible exposure to a communicable disease, including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, or COVID-19. Your further acknowledge that you are aware of the risks associated with COVID-19 and that certain vulnerable individuals may have greater health risks associated with exposure to COVID-19, including individuals with serious underlying health conditions as listed at https://www.cdc.gov/. While particular recommendations and personal discipline may reduce the risks associated with participating in business activities or social events during the COVID-19 pandemic, by registering for this event, you acknowledge that the risk of serious illness, medical complications, and possible death does exist.



## **Do You Want More Foot Traffic at Your Booth?**

#### **Exhibit Hall Bingo**

The PWEA Exhibits & Sponsors Committee is organizing a fun game for attendees, and it will bring them to the booths of all participating exhibitors.

You can participate by adding the \$25 Bingo Participation Fee on the Booth Contract. The \$25 fee will be used to purchase gift cards for the winners. The number of winners will depend upon the number of participating exhibitors. Names of winners will be emailed to participating exhibitors after the conference.



Attendees will receive a Bingo card in their registration packets, along with a list of participating companies. 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.

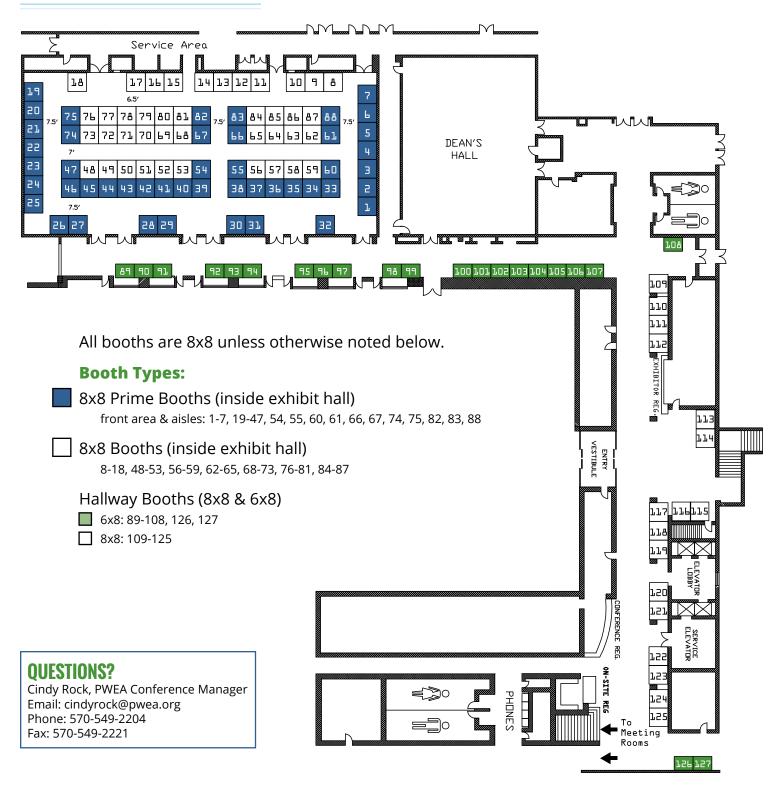
Once the squares are stamped horizontally, vertically or on the diagonal, the attendee will then turn in the card to a designated individual or booth just before the last break of each day (Monday or Tuesday) for confirmation. Attendees must be present to win and can only turn in one card, either on Monday or on Tuesday. Prizes will be awarded during the last exhibit hall break on Monday and on Tuesday. Bingo winners will be entered into a \$50 Grand Prize Drawing on Monday during the President's Reception and on Tuesday during the Beer & Pretzels Reception.

# PennTec 2022 Sponsorships

Promote your equipment, products, and services while supporting the PWEA. All sponsoring companies will be featured in the On-Site Conference Program, on signage displayed at the Conference, company logo displayed on Exhibit Hall monitor, and in the Conference issue of the *Keystone Water Quality Manager* magazine. Sponsorships are available for exhibiting and non-exhibiting companies. If logos are needed, they should be sent by April 8th.

7	PENNSYLVANIA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION	PennTec 2022 Sponsorship Contract			
\		Company:			
		Contact Name:			
	Register online or send completed contract	Address:			
	with full payment to: <b>PWEA</b>	City:	State: Zip:		
	PO Box 61	Phone:			
	Blossburg, PA 16912 Fax: 570-549-2221 Phone: 570-549-2204	Email:			
	Email: cindyrock@pwea.org				
	Spo	onsorship Categories (check all ca	ategories that apply)		
	Exhibit Hall Bingo Participation	Exhibitors Only	\$25	\$	
	Logo on Exhibit Hall Monitor - <b>E</b> No charge if also sponsoring any of the		\$25	\$	
			□ Platinum Level - \$750		
Ш	Community Service Project Spo	nsor	☐ Gold Level - \$500 ☐ Silver Level - \$250	\$	
	Company Logo on Badge Holde	\$1000	\$		
	Company Logo on Registration	\$1000	\$		
	Monday - Lunch Buffet Sponso	\$500	\$		
	Tuesday - Lunch Buffet Sponsor (company logo displayed near buffet lines)		\$500	\$	
	Conference Raffle Prize Sponsor (see page 4 for details) Your company logo will be featured on a sign posted near one of the raffle ticket containers.  No more than two companies can be featured with each prize.  \$250			\$	
	Monday - President's Reception	Sponsor	\$200	\$	
	Monday - Annual Awards Cerer	nony & Reception Sponsor	\$250	\$	
	Monday - Tailgate Dinner and C	Cornhole Tournament	□ Platinum Level - \$750 □ Gold Level - \$500 □ Silver Level - \$250	\$	
	NEW - Tuesday - Women in Water Summit - T-Shirt Sponsor Company logo displayed on back of shirt. Up to five sponsors can be accepted		\$250	\$	
	Tuesday - Beer & Pretzels Reception Sponsor		\$200	\$	
	Tuesday - Operator Olympics S	ponsor (sponsorship funds used to purchase prizes)	\$150	\$	
	☐ Wednesday - Golf Hole Sponsor (company logo displayed on golf hole sign)		\$150	\$	
Method of Payment:					
	Check (payable to PWEA)		Total Due \$		
☐ Credit Card payments must be made online  After we receive this form, you will be sent a confirmation email. There will be a link at the bottom of that email which will take you to the online payment screen for credit card payments.					

## **Exhibit Hall Floor Plan**





# PennTec 2022 Contract for Exhibit Space

## PLEASE PRINT all information on form

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Company Information - The following information will be published in the On-Site Conference Program.					
Company Name:					
Address:					
City:		State:	Zip:		
Company Email:					
Phone:		Website:			
Contact Information - This is the pe	rson to whom all	information will be	sent.		
Contact Person:	Contact Person: Phone (if different than above):				
Email:					
To qualify for Member rate, provide name of em	oloyee who is a PWEA	A Member:			
<b>Exhibit Space Fees</b>					
Booth fees include standard booth furniture, electric se Conference Registrations. <b>Booth Representative Regis</b>				s, and two discounted Full	
	Member	Non-Member	Quantity	Total	
8x8 Prime Booth (front area & aisles)	\$1355	\$1575		\$	
8x8 Booth (inside exhibit hall)	\$1255	\$1475		\$	
Hallway Booth (8x8 or 6x8)	\$1155	\$1375		\$	
Outside Space (must purchase indoor booth)	\$250	\$300		\$	
	To	tal Due for Exhibit Sp	ace \$		
Preferred Booth Location:					
List booth numbers in order of preference:	1) 2)	3)			
Space will be assigned in the order of when fully par requests cannot be guaranteed.	id contracts are receive	ed. Every effort will be m	ade to grant your space r	equest; however, specific	
Exhibit Hall Bingo Participation - See page 4 for details.  RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW! Exhibitors wishing to participate will pay a fee of \$25, which will be used to purchase gift cards for prizes. Conference attendees who want to play are required to visit all participating vendor booths. SPACE IS LIMITED, AND IT IS FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!			e large screen in the Exhibit Hall.		
☐ I want to participate - add \$25 to my bootl	n fee		☐ I want to participate - add \$25 to my booth fee  Note: no charge for exhibitors who are also sponsors.		
Agreement  By signing this Contract, I acknowledge that I am authorized to represent the Company noted on this Contract. I/we agree to abide by all PWEA Policies as outlined within this prospectus and to the PWEA Rules & Regulations for Exhibiting.					
Booth cancellations received in writing on or before April 29th will receive a full refund less a \$250 processing fee. Cancellations received after that date will not receive a refund.					
Signature:					
Method of Payment:					
☐ Check (payable to PWEA)  Total Due \$					
☐ Credit Card payments must be made online  After we receive this form, you will be sent a confirmation email. There will be a link at the bottom of that email which will take you to the online payment screen for credit card payments.					
Booth assignments will be made after payment is received.					

Register online or send completed contract with full payment to:

PWEA RegistrationFax: 570-549-2221PO Box 61Phone: 570-549-2204Blossburg, PA 16912Email: cindyrock@pwea.org

Booth contract must be received by April 29th to guarantee inclusion in the On-Site Conference Program.



Pennsylvania Water Environment Association
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Conference & Exhibition

# PennTec 2022 EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS

June 5-8, 2022

Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel State College, PA





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