



AGENDA

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 25

1:00PM - 6:00PM | BADGE PICK-UP

Ballroom Pre-Function

1:30PM - 4:30PM | PRE-CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

Harbor Board Room

5:00PM - 6:00PM | Chair's VIP Reception

Invitation Only - Ridotto Grand Cafe - Lobby

6:00PM - 8:00PM | The Open Hand Meet and Greet

PBR Bar - Through Casino | See Venue Map in Program



MONDAY | OCTOBER 26

7:30AM - 5:00PM | Badge Pick Up

Pre-Function

2:15PM - 3:00PM | Technical Session 2

See Technical Sessions for Details

7:30AM - 8:30AM | Breakfast

Event Center A

1:30PM - 2:30PM | Hydrant Hysteria

Pre-Function | Registration Area



8:00AM - 8:45AM | Business Meeting

River Room 2

3:00PM - 4:00PM | Water Utility Council

Harbor Board Room

 **8:00AM - 5:00PM | Exhibits**

Event Center B/C

3:00PM | Meter Challenge

Pre-Function | Registration Area



 **9:00AM - 10:30AM | Opening Session**

Event Center A

3:15PM - 4:00PM | Technical Session 3

See Technical Sessions for Details

10:30AM - 11:30AM | YP Meeting

Harbor Board Room



5:00PM - 5:45PM | Water Taste Contest

Exhibit Hall Foyer

11:30AM - 1:00PM | Winner's Circle

Awards Lunch

Event Center A

5:00PM - 6:00PM | Chairman's Club

Reception

Exhibit Hall



1:15PM - 2:00PM | Technical Session 1

See Technical Sessions for Details

7:00PM - 9:00PM | YP Event

*Bayou Axe Throwing | Load Bus at 6:30 PM
outside Prime Rib Restaurant*





AGENDA

TUESDAY | OCTOBER 27

7:30AM - 11:30AM | Badge Pick-Up

Ballroom Pre-Function

7:30AM - 8:30AM | Breakfast

Ballroom Pre-Function

7:30AM - 8:30AM | Past Chair's Breakfast

Harbor Board Room (Invitation Only)

8:00AM - 5:00PM | Exhibits

Event Center B/C

8:00AM - 8:45AM | Technical Session 1

See Technical Sessions for Details

9:00AM - 9:45AM | Technical Session 2

See Technical Sessions for Details

10:00AM - 10:45AM | Technical Session 3

See Technical Sessions for Details



9:00AM - 11:00AM | TOP OPS

Delta 1 and Delta 2

12:00PM - 1:00PM | Tuesday Stakes Lunch

Event Center A

1:15PM - 2:00PM | Technical Session 4

See Technical Sessions for Details

2:15PM - 3:00PM | Technical Session 5

See Technical Sessions for Details

3:15PM - 4:00PM | Technical Session 6

See Technical Sessions for Details

1:15PM - 3:00PM | Off-Site Plant Tour

Bossier City Water Treatment Plant | Sign Up at Check-In | Load Bus at 1pm outside Prime Rib Restaurant

3:00PM - 4:00PM | Post-Conference Board Meeting

Harbor Board Room



4:00PM - 5:00PM | Water For People Drawings

Exhibit Hall



4:00PM - 5:00PM | Final Hand Reception

Exhibit Hall





****To Earn All 16 Training Credit Hours Offered, Attendees Must Sign-in to 3 Sessions on Monday and 6 Sessions or 4 Sessions and the Plant Tour on Tuesday****

MONDAY

ROOM	RIVER 1	RIVER 2	DELTA 1	DELTA 2
TRACK	Design & Hydraulics	Workforce & Asset Management	Regulatory & Compliance	Treatment & Water Quality
1:15PM - 2:00PM	Beyond the Planning Stages: How Hydraulic Models Support Key Design Decisions Alexandra Anthony Garver	Improving Operator Training Through AI and Videography John Bannen STV	Boil Water Advisories Barbara Featherston, P.E. Louisiana Department of Health	Alternatives to Lime Softening: A Pellet Softening Pilot Study Patrick Smoak Louisiana Water Company
2:15PM - 3:15PM	Surge, Water Hammer and Pressure Management Frank Knowles Smith III Pipe Tech, Inc.	Supporting Strained Municipal Workforces Through Technical Assistance Abigail Bradshaw EPIC Funding Navigator Program	Current PFAS Regulations Vijai Elango (VJ) Louisiana Department of Health	Beat Common Water Quality Issues with One Simple Solution: Potable Water Tank Mixing Bethany Thompson Kasco Marine
3:15PM - 4:00PM	From Data to Better Decisions: How the Trinity River Authority Improved Compliance, Process Control, and Operational Performance Jake Mickelson Aquatic Informatics	Task Asset Management for Water Tanks & Towers: From Inspection to Strategy Theodore Krein (Teddy) Maguire	Granular Activated Carbon for PFAS Removal and Beyond Irene Katana Calgon Carbon Corp.	Oklahoma City Water: Past, Present, and Future Brock Bennett The City of Oklahoma City



TECHNICAL SESSIONS

TUESDAY MORNING

ROOM	RIVER 1	RIVER 2	DELTA 1	DELTA 2
TRACK	Planning, Asset Management & Technology	Infrastructure & Operations	Regulatory & Compliance	Treatment & Water Quality
8:00AM - 8:45AM	Dynamic Master Planning for Water Utilities Clint Smith, P.E., CFM <i>Half</i>	Thrust Blocks or Restrained Joints for Utility Pipelines John Simpson, P.E. <i>McWane Ductile</i>	TOP OPS Setup	TOP OPS Setup
9:00AM - 9:45AM	Building Your Asset Management Program Gini Connolly <i>Half</i>	Advanced Composite Solutions for Structural Strengthening in Pipeline Rehabilitation Joel Ogle <i>Henkel / Fyfe Fiber</i>	TOP OPS	TOP OPS
10:00AM - 10:45AM	When the Map Becomes the System: Improving Decisions Through Reliable Utility Network Data Zach Lawlor <i>Langan Engineering</i>	Declassifying the Secrets of the City's Greatest Enterprise Larry Roach <i>Benham Designs</i>	TOP OPS	TOP OPS
12:00PM - 1:00PM Tuesday Stakes Lunch				



TECHNICAL SESSIONS

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

ROOM	RIVER 1	RIVER 2	DELTA 1	DELTA 2
TRACK	Planning, Asset Management & Technology	Infrastructure & Operations	Regulatory & Compliance	Treatment & Water Quality
1:15PM - 2:00PM	Effectively Managing a Utility by Leveraging Technology Travis Rains Justin Eli Prock <i>City of Broken Arrow, OK</i>	Real-Time Microbiological Insights Through Computer Vision Caleb Van Geffen <i>Nyad AI</i>	TOP OPS Room Reset	TOP OPS Room Reset
1:15PM - 3:00PM PLANT TOUR Bossier City Water Treatment Plant Tour. Limited to 30 Participants. Sign-Up at Onsite Check-In. Meet Outside of Prime Rib Restaurant				
2:15PM - 3:00PM	How Environmental Conditions Impact Equipment Life Cycle Analysis John Bannen <i>STV</i>	Reimagining Water Utility Automation: Lessons Learned from City of Conroe's Software-Designed Automation Transformation Aayush Patel <i>Schneider Electric</i>	USEPA Actions in 2026 and their Impacts to Water Utilities Ashley Pifer, Ph.D, P.E. <i>Halff</i>	Effective Chloramination Hugh Burnett <i>Burnett, Inc.</i> Cory Mueller <i>MLC</i>
3:15PM - 4:00PM	Real World Consequences of SCADA System Cybersecurity Andrew Green <i>VTScada by Trihedral</i>	Flouridation and What You Should Know Stephen Daly <i>Pennco</i>	Broken Arrow PFAS Study: Planning & Action for Managers and Operators Rachel Camp <i>HDR</i> Justin Eli Prock <i>City of Broken Arrow, OK</i>	Innovative Sequential Co₂-Ca(OH)₂ Dosing for Bicarbonate Alkalinity Hugh Burnett <i>Burnett, Inc.</i> Cory Mueller <i>MLC</i>

