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## Invitation for Top Ops Contest

The Southwest Section of American Water Works Association (AWWA) invites teams to participate in the Top Ops Contest at the 2026 Annual Conference and Exposition in Bossier City, LA October 25-27, 2026.

### Purpose and Eligibility

The Southwest Section of AWWA would like to recognize and promote excellence and professionalism in all aspects of water operations by organizing an official contest that gives operators the opportunity to demonstrate their talents. Teams from the Southwest Section of AWWA will be invited to compete against each other in a competitive, fast-paced, question-and-answer tournament. A moderator will pose a broad range of technical questions. The technical questions will encompass all aspects of water operations and are comparable to a water operator certification exam. A maximum of eight (8) teams will be accepted for the Top Ops contest.

For detailed information regarding the Top Ops contest, please refer to the enclosed rules and regulations. The rules and regulations and the entry form will be available on the Southwest AWWA website at [www.swawwa.org](http://www.swawwa.org)

### Application

Applications are due no later than **Thursday, September 15, 2026**. Interested teams should fill out the enclosed entry form and submit it accordingly. If you have any questions, please contact Mindi Dearing at [mdearing@bwdh2o.org](mailto:mdearing@bwdh2o.org) or (479) 756-3651.



## Southwest Section AWWA — Top Ops Contest 2026 Official Entry Form

### Submission:

1. Please return your entry **no later than September 15, 2026**
2. An Arkansas, Louisiana, or Oklahoma Utility must sponsor all Top Ops teams.
3. You must read the 2026 Southwest Section AWWA Official Top Ops Rules and Regulations and meet all the requirements prior to contest entry
4. Return all entry forms by mail, email or fax to:

Mindi Dearing  
Beaver Water District  
PO Box 400  
Lowell, AR 72745  
[mdearing@bwdh2o.org](mailto:mdearing@bwdh2o.org)

Utility Represented: \_\_\_\_\_

Utility Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Team Members:

Name	Position
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____

I have read the Rules and Regulations for competition in the Top Ops Contest and my team meets all the requirements. Should any member of my team be found not to meet the requirements, I acknowledge that my team will be disqualified.

Team Captain's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_