19th Annual Northern Conference

October 22 & 23, 2024



Attendee Information

Radisson Hotel & Conference Center—Rockford, Illinois



CONFERENCE LOCATION

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center 200 S. Bell School Road Rockford, IL 61107 Call 815-226-2100 for reservations Double or Single \$119.00+tax per night



WELCOME

Online booking at https://choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/G9664617

PRE-REGISTRATION - Registration and badges are required for all conference attendees. Please register each attendee by completing the registration form below and return it with your payment to: **IRWA, P.O. BOX 49**, **TAYLORVILLE, IL 62568**. You may also sign up on-line and pay with a credit card at: www.ilrwa.org. All fees must be paid when registering - we cannot do special billings or purchase orders. *IRWA will not send a confirmation of registration*.

Pre-registration must be postmarked by October 11, 2024.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION: All conference attendees must obtain a name badge and conference material at the registration desk. If you do not pre-register, please make sure that you register as soon as possible after you arrive at the conference. **Please note that on-site registration fees are \$25.00 higher than pre-registration**

REGISTRATION HOURS: Tuesday, October 22nd: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 23rd: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS: Refunds are only given in cases of emergency situations. You must provide a written request to the IRWA office in order to receive a refund.

EXHIBIT HALL: 30 companies will be on site to bring you the newest products and services they have to offer. Exhibit hall hours: October 22nd: 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. AND October 23rd: 8:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

HOSPITALITY NIGHT: Tuesday evening 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please join us for food & beverages!

Questions? Call 1-800-762-3547

Registration Form

Please print or type

NAME:	_E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
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(PLEASE CIRCLE REGISTRATION TYPE)

FULL REGISTRATION:

(Includes Technical Sessions, Meals, Activities & Exhibit Hall for both days)

MEMBER \$150.00

NON-MEMBER \$190.00

ONE DAY REGISTRATION:

(Includes Technical Sessions, Meals, Activities & Exhibit Hall for ONE DAY ONLY- circle day)

MEMBER \$120.00 attending Tuesday or Wednesday NON-MEMBER \$160.00 attending Tuesday or Wednesday

Please make check payable to: Illinois Rural Water Association, P.O. Box 49, Taylorville, IL 62568

SESSIONS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

- 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.—Rural Development Update (*Dual Credit*) —Julie Hatfield; Rural Development Office Hear about any updates happening at Rural Development.
- 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.— IEPA Update (Water Credit Only) Tatum DeMay; IEPA Always a popular session! Listen to changes in rules and regs from IEPA.
- 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.—Chlorine Chemistry (Water Credit Only)—Matt Maas; E.R.T.C. Chlorine chemistry will be discussed including its impact on chloramination, DBP formation and nitrification.
- 1:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m.—Extending the Life of Water & Wastewater Infrastructure (*Dual Credit*) —Kevin Padera; Enecon Corporation Focus on how erosion and corrosion effects water and wastewater buildings, fluid flow equipment and plant structures. Ways to repair, not replace these assets by utilizing polymer repair materials will also be discussed.
- 1:45 p.m.-2:30 p.m.—Financing Options (Dual Credit) Kristen Millard & Will Glass; Rural Water Financing Agency Created to provide tax-exempt financing to governmental entities. Sit in on this session to learn if the Interim Loan Program or the Flex Term Program is right for your next project.
- 3:00 p.m.-3:45 p.m.—Confined Space Review (Dual Credit) Tracy Hazel; Advanced Training and Consulting Basic roles and responsibilities when working in and around confined spaces will be touched on in this session.
- 3:45 p.m.-4:30 p.m.—Blower Technology (*Dual Credit*) George Graves; Kaeser Compressors, Inc. This presentation will go through all of the blower technologies in the US market, when they are best applied, and their typical energy consumption.

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

- 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.— Water Loss Control: Definitions & Methodologies (Water Credit Only) Randy Lusk; M.E. Simpson We hear the term "Water Loss Control" & "Non-Revenue Water" used almost on a daily basis, but do we know what those terms actually mean? Once you know their meanings, do you know how to approach the issues in order to gain results?
- 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.— Cybersecurity Threats Facing Water and Wastewater Utilities (*Dual Credit*) Cole Dutton; USEPA This session will highlight the free cybersecurity resources, services, products, and training to enhance cyber resilience and capacity across the sector.
- 11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.—Bacti-Sample Site Plans (Water Credit Only)—Kirk Bergstrom; IEPA Bring your questions and get some clarification on this hot button issue.
- 1:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m.—Coatings (*Dual Credit*) —Erik Otten & Joshua Otten; Tnemec Come to this session and hear about structural epoxy for use in water / wastewater treatment & collection.
- 1:45 p.m.-2:45 p.m.—Planning Considerations for Municipal PFAS Treatment & Funding (Dual Credit) Mike Buzicky; MSA Professional Services, Inc. The U.S. EPA recently adopted its Final Rule on PFAS regulations. States will now be implementing their own regulations and funding opportunities for PFAS. Municipalities can get a jump-start on PFAS regulations by starting required planning steps now. Hear how critical planning steps can get your community ahead of regulations and at the front of the line for funding opportunities.
- 3:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.—Using Asset Management in Your Daily Routine (*Dual Credit*) Jon Schwichtenberg & Scott Daniel; GRAEF This presentation will cover what asset management is for communities/utilities and how to use it in your day to day activities. We will cover how to leverage an asset management system for managing your utilities, equipment, staff and agency reporting.

There are no wastewater only sessions this year at the conference. However, 7.0 hours of the 10.75 credits offered may be used for dual credit!







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