

## Calendar of Events

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May 6, 2026  
- May 8, 2026

### **2026 WEFMAX Sponsorship Opportunities**

*Welcome to WEFMAX in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on May 6-8, 2026!*

*Get ready to ‘steel’ yourself for an unforgettable experience—WEF is coming to Pittsburgh! Join your peers in the “burgh” of innovation, where water professionals will bridge ideas, iron out challenges, and streamline solutions together. Don’t miss this chance to pump up your knowledge, flow with the experts, and connect with the industry in a city that knows how to make it work... and make it last.*

*WEFMAX Theme: Operator Engagement*

*What is WEFMAX?*

*WEFMAX is a regional annual meeting where national WEF member association leaders address current issues and exchange successes and strategies. Each year, WEF selects three Member Associations, who work with WEF to jointly sponsor a WEFMAX for their region.*

*WEF uses WEFMAX for direct input on the programs, support and educational opportunities members need. Over two days, WEF officers present updates and the host Members Associations provide presentations on their own programs.*

*Why WEFMAX and not WEFTEC?*

*WEFMAX’s smaller footprint as a regional meeting opens up in depth discussion and solutions, at a direct level not possible in the larger convention setting. The dialogue at WEFMAX focuses on how the Member Associations work to serve their members.*

*Why support WEFMAX Pennsylvania?*

*WEFMAX Pennsylvania is jointly sponsored by WEF and PWEA. WEF’s financial contribution does not cover the entire expense of hosting the meeting which means PWEA is financially responsible for all expenses not covered by WEF.*

*What’s in it for my Company?*

*Support WEFMAX Pennsylvania and*

*Be an example for the industry: WEFMAX attendees are established and early-career leaders from across the US*

*Be part of the future: WEFMAX focuses on critical topics in the water environment*

*Be an influencer: WEFMAX Pennsylvania will be the only 2026 WEFMAX for eastern and central US WEF Member Associations*

*Be Pennsylvania proud: Show your commitment to PWEA’s work and leadership in the water sector*

June 22, 2025  
- May 15, 2026

**100th PWEA Anniversary and 97th PennTec Exhibits and Sponsorships**  
**Hershey Lodge**  
**325 University Drive**  
**Hershey, PA 17033**  
08:00 AM - 11:30 AM EST

*A Century in the Making – Celebrate PWEA's 100th Anniversary!*

*In 2026, the Pennsylvania Water Environment Association marks a remarkable milestone—100 years of protecting and improving Pennsylvania's water resources. Since 1926, our members have been at the forefront of innovation, advocacy, and service, and now it's time to honor the people and projects that brought us here.*

*Join us for an unforgettable 100th Anniversary Celebration filled with history, inspiration, and connection. Enjoy a special evening of fine dining, commemorative presentations, historical exhibits, and the opportunity to reconnect with colleagues and friends from across the state. This once-in-a-century event will be the perfect blend of reflection on our past and excitement for our future.*

*Through ten decades of innovation, advocacy, and education, PWEA has grown into a trusted resource for water quality expertise and leadership. This publication honors that legacy with a rich collection of photographs, stories, and historical highlights that reflect the progress of both our association and the broader water environment field.*

*We thank our members, partners, and supporters—past and present—who have helped shape PWEA's century-long journey. May this book serve as a tribute to your contributions and a source of inspiration for the next 100 years.*

*Exhibitor & Sponsorship Registration is NOW OPEN FOR 2026!*

**WELCOME**

*We invite you to join us as an Exhibitor and/or a Sponsor at the PWEA's 97th Annual Technical Conference & Exhibition (PennTec 2026), which will be held at the Hershey Lodge: 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA 17033. With an average yearly attendance of over 700 water quality professionals seeking the latest knowledge and technology available, PennTec 2026 would be a great way to get the word out about your products, equipment, and services!*

*Details regarding this year's exhibit space and sponsorship offerings can be found in the PennTec 2026 Exhibitor Prospectus.*

*Details regarding this year's registration can be found in the Registration Program.*

*Prime booth locations within the Exhibit Hall will sell quickly, so don't delay!*

*No paper registrations will be taken this year. If you need assistance with event related questions, email [ashleymohn@pwea.org](mailto:ashleymohn@pwea.org).*

*Cancellation Policy: Booth cancellations received in writing on or before May 3rd will receive a full refund less a \$250 processing fee. Cancellations received after that date will not receive a refund. Please note, all credit card transactions will include a 3.5% "technology fee." The credit/debit card name and address information must EXACTLY match what is on record with the financial institution issuing the card. Otherwise, the transaction will be declined. This is a security measure to prevent fraudulent activity. Credit card numbers are NOT stored by PWEA or the payment gateway vendor.*

*To be included in the Convention Program, purchase all exhibitor and sponsorship*

*opportunities by May 1, 2025. The deadline for Exhibitor and Sponsorship registration is May 15, 2025, to be included in conference signage.*

#### *HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS*

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May 20, 2026

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## **2026 PennTec Annual Conference**

**Hershey Lodge  
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Join us for a full three days!

*On behalf of the PWEA Board of Directors, the 2026 Conference Committee and Program Committee, we warmly invite you to join us at PWEA's 97th Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, PennTec 2026. This distinguished event will take place from June 15-18 at the Hershey Lodge • 325 University Drive - Hershey, PA 17033.*

*PennTec 2026 offers an engaging and comprehensive program featuring a diverse array of presentations centered on water quality. In addition to the technical sessions, PA DEP–approved workshops will provide additional contact hours for wastewater and drinking water operator licenses.*

*View the 2026 Registration Program*

### **WORKSHOPS**

*For attendees registering for the Full Conference, workshops providing hour-for-hour operator contact hours are available at a discounted rate of \$25 each. Seating for these workshops is limited, pre-registration is required. Details regarding workshop topics and pricing can be accessed by downloading the PennTec 2026 Workshop Information.*

### **EXHIBIT HALL**

*An integral part of the Conference, the Exhibit Hall provides valuable opportunities to explore innovative technologies, discover new products, and connect directly with vendors offering solutions to enhance efficiency and safety in your workplace.*

### **NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES & SPECIAL EVENTS**

*Ample networking opportunities abound at PenTec 2026, facilitating meaningful interactions with peers and industry professionals. Noteworthy events include:*

*Monday – Community Service Project\**

*Monday – Annual Golf Tournament \**

*Monday – 100th Anniversary Reception\**

*Monday – 100th Anniversary Gala \**

*Tuesday – Plant Tour\**

*Tuesday – President's Reception\**

*Tuesday – Annual PWEA Awards Ceremony & Reception\**

*Tuesday – Tailgate Dinner and Cornhole Tournament \**

*Wednesday – Women in Water Luncheon\**

*Wednesday – Beer & Pretzels, Wine & Cheese Reception\**

*Wednesday – Operator Olympics*

*\*Additional registration or paid ticketed event, pre-registration required*

### **HOW TO REGISTER**

*Attendee Registration for PennTec 2026 is online. Registrants will have the option to pay via Credit Card\* or request invoice to pay by check upon completion of online registration. Please note that June 1, 2026, is the registration cutoff date. Registrations received after this date will be subject to a late fee.*

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*We eagerly anticipate your participation at PennTec 2026, where knowledge, innovation, and collaboration converge to shape the future of water quality management.*

***SEE YOU IN JUNE!***

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July 13, 2026

**PWEA Safety Committee presents: Basic First Aid, CPR, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness**  
**City of Lancaster WWTP**  
**1220 New Danville Pike**  
**Lancaster, PA 17603**  
08:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST

*Workshop Title: Basic First Aid, CPR, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness Training and Certification*  
*Date: July 13th, 2026*  
*Time: 8:00am to 12:00pm*

*Description:*

*This approximately four-hour course shall cover the response for basic injuries and illnesses that may occur in the workplace or on the jobsite. "Hands-on" activities shall include basic first aid skills, CPR, Automatic External Defibrillator use, and Blood Borne Pathogen training. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be issued a certification card by the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) valid for 2 years from the date of training. This course is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for four credit hours for water and wastewater operators.*

*Location:*

*City of Lancaster WWTP*  
*1220 New Danville Pike*  
*Lancaster, PA 17603*

*Where to Park:*

*Upon arrival, please use the call box at the gate for entry. Then, continue up the driveway to the parking lot. The training will be held in the Control Building second floor training room.*

*Capacity:*

*18 Students Maximum*

*Cost:*

*\$65.00 – PWEA Members*  
*\$100.00 – Non-Members*

*Contact Hours:*

*4.00 - Water Treatment and Wastewater Operators*

*Questions: Please email Ed Kauffman at [Ed.Kauffman@Rettew.com](mailto:Ed.Kauffman@Rettew.com) or call 717-516-7487*

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**PWEA Safety Committee presents: Basic First Aid, CPR, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness**  
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*Location:*

*Cranberry Township Public Safety Training Facility*  
*1000 Maintenance Building Drive*  
*Cranberry Twp., PA 16066*

*Where to Park:*

*Behind the public works building and salt shed, in the back corner of the facility.*

*Capacity:*

*24 Students Maximum*

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*Do not delete any content from the DEP Test Selection Form prior to submitting to PWEA. The Test Selection Form content is specific to YOU, it tells the DEP your facility class and which drinking water or wastewater tests you want to take, so the correct exam can be loaded onto a computer for you or packaged for your written exam.*

*Print and sign the Test Selection Form: Your completed DEP Test Selection Form MUST include your hand-written signature.*

*Scan the signed form.*

*DO NOT TAKE A PICTURE OF YOUR TEST SELECTION FORM WITH YOUR SMART PHONE: the DEP will reject your form.*

*Return your completed Test Selection Form to PWEA:*

*By email to: [breyanafulton@pwea.org](mailto:breyanafulton@pwea.org)*

*By fax to: 707-303-5219*

**IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT THE SIGNED TEST SELECTION FORM IN 10 DAYS YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THAT TESTING DATE**

*Exam Registration Confirmation: PWEA will use your completed PA DEP Test Selection Form to prepare a detailed certification exam confirmation letter; it will be emailed to you at the email address you provide - be sure to check your Spam and Junk folders and to save the email with attachment for future reference. Please ensure you mark [pwea@pwea.org](mailto:pwea@pwea.org) as a safe sender in your address book to prevent the confirmation letter from going to the Spam or Junk folder. Your confirmation letter will include information you need to know prior to showing up at the exam site.*

*All credit/debit card transactions will include a 3.5% technology fee.*

*The name and address information for the credit/debit card you use to make an online payment must EXACTLY match what is on record with the financial institution issuing the card or else the transaction will be declined. This is a security measure to prevent fraudulent activity. Credit card numbers are NOT stored by PWEA or the payment gateway vendor.*

*Cancellation Policy: No refund will be offered after the detailed confirmation letter has been processed and sent to you, unless there is someone on a wait list for the same exam date. (30 days before the exam.)*

*Questions about certification exams should be directed to: [pwea@pwea.org](mailto:pwea@pwea.org) or [breyanafulton@pwea.org](mailto:breyanafulton@pwea.org).*

December 8, 2026

**PWEA Safety Committee presents: Basic First Aid, CPR, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness Training and Certification**  
**RETTEW - Safety Training Center**  
**5031 Richard Lane**  
**Mechanicsburg, PA 17055**  
**08:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST**

*Workshop Title: Basic First Aid, CPR, AED, and Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness Training and Certification*  
*Date: December 8, 2026*  
*Time: 8:00am to 12:00pm*

*Description:*

*This approximately four-hour course shall cover the response for basic injuries and illnesses that may occur in the workplace or on the jobsite. "Hands-on" activities shall include basic first aid skills, CPR, Automatic External Defibrillator use, and Blood Borne Pathogen training. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be issued a certification card by the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) valid for 2 years from the date of training. This course is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for four credit hours for water and wastewater operators.*

*Location:*

*RETTEW - Safety Training Center*  
*5031 Richard Lane*  
*Suite 11*  
*Mechanicsburg, PA 17055*

*Where to Park:*

*Parking is available in the immediate area surrounding the training facility entrance. Please enter through the door marked "training center" to sign in.*

*Capacity:*

*24 Students Maximum*

*Cost:*

*\$65.00 – PWEA Members*  
*\$100.00 – Non-Members*

*Contact Hours:*

*4.00 - Water Treatment and Wastewater Operators*

*Questions: Please email Ed Kauffman at [Ed.Kauffman@Rettew.com](mailto:Ed.Kauffman@Rettew.com) or call 717-516-7487*