

Calendar of Events

- November 14, 2024 **Research & Innovation Lunch & Learn**
Virtual
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST
- Hosted by IWEA's Research & Innovation Committee*
- Members \$20/ Non-Members \$30*
- 1PHD/TCH*
ZOOM Webinar link will be forwarded by separate email by November 13, 2024.
- December 5, 2024 **Algae Harvesting Lunch & Learn**
Virtual
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM CST
- As public interest in PFAS and the associated regulatory landscape evolve, it becomes increasingly important to communicate effectively with stakeholders involved in the land application of biosolids. This webinar will feature panelists who will share their real-world experiences and communication strategies for addressing the challenges related to PFAS in biosolids application.*
- Presenter: Kuldip Kumar*
- Hosted by IWEA's Laboratory Committee*
Registration Members \$20/ Non-Members \$30
1PDH/TCH
ZOOM Webinar link will be forwarded by separate email by December 4, 2024.
- January 31, 2025 **2025 IWEA Government Affairs Conference**
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550 N. Shriner's Drive
Addison, IL 60101
08:00 AM - 03:00 PM CST
- IWEA invites you to the annual Government Affairs Conference. This event provides updates on regulations of interest to Illinois Water Environment Professionals.*
- Don't miss this opportunity to stay informed, network, and contribute to meaningful conversations.*
- \$95.00 Members / \$125.00 for Non-members Includes continental breakfast and plated lunch.*
- October 5, 2024 **WEFTEC 2024 New Orleans**
- October 9, 2024 **IWEA**
08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST

October 6, 2024

IWEA CSWEA Member Reception @ WEFTEC

The Chicory

610 South Peters Street

New Orleans, LA 70130

05:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST

Matt McGregor,

Secretary@iweasite.org

Kick off WEFTEC 2024 by attending this fun networking event open to members of IWEA ,CSWEA and sponsors. This event brings together over 400 industry professionals. Great event to meet new people and reconnect with others.

Sponsorship is critical to this event! Your \$450 sponsorship is an excellent opportunity to show your support plus connect with members of both associations.

Register

here: <https://cswea.wufoo.com/forms/2024-iweacswea-weftec-reception-sponsorship/> or by check payable to CSWEA, 1021 Alexandria Blvd, Crystal Lake, IL. 60014.

IWEA/CSWEA Member Reception @ WEFTEC.

Sunday, October 6, 2024

5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

The Chicory (<https://chicoryvenue.com/>).

October 14, 2024

Columbus Day

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

October 17, 2024

2024 IWEA Innovative Technologies Fall Dinner

Labriola Ristorante
535 N. Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611

06:00 PM - 09:00 PM CST

Don't miss this Innovative Technologies Dinner and an opportunity to earn 1 PDH credit!

Come to hear an engaging presentation by Dr. Kumar of the MWRDG titled "Charting a Sustainable Future: The Role of Technological Innovations in Realizing the Goals of the MWRD's Climate Action Plan" and enjoy an exquisite meal at Labriola (located downtown Chicago east of Michigan Ave and two blocks north of the Chicago River). Networking and Halloween fun will also be available ?

Dr. Kumar will present the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's (MWRD) innovative Climate Action Plan and its forward-thinking strategy for addressing climate change in wastewater treatment and stormwater management. The presentation will highlight MWRD's ambitious greenhouse gas reduction targets, comprehensive carbon footprint reduction methodologies, and adaptive strategies for infrastructure and operations in response to climate risks. A key focus will be the current status and development of technologies aimed at mitigating hard-to-abate process emissions. Wastewater treatment facilities face significant challenges in reducing process-related emissions, such as nitrous oxide and methane, which are potent greenhouse gases. These emissions are difficult to capture and control due to the complexity of biological treatment processes. Technologies like advanced anaerobic digestion, optimized aeration systems, and carbon capture are being explored, but their implementation faces hurdles such as cost, scalability, and the need for robust regulatory frameworks. This session is designed for professionals in the water sector, environmental scientists, and policymakers interested in data-driven solutions for regional climate resilience.

Date: Thursday, October 17, 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Location: Labriola Chicago (www.labriolacafe.com) 535 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611

Cost: \$75 members, \$90 non-members, \$35 students

1 PDH/TCH

Menu:

Arugula Salad

Choice of: Seared Salmon, Eggplant Parmesan, or Sausage and Peppers

Penne Bolognese

Chef's Selection Dessert Platter

Note: Alcohol is not included in the dinner price

Want to learn more or get involved with this committee:

contact Svetlana.Taylor@Geosyntec.com

October 18, 2024

2024 IWEA Plant Operations Workshop & Tour

Sangamon County Water Reclamation District

3000 North 8th Street Road

Springfield, IL 62703

08:30 AM - 03:30 PM CST

Mike Zigulich,

ZigulichM@mwrdr.org

Sign up for the annual Plant Operations Workshop to network with other operators, earn some CEU's in a relaxed atmosphere, and check out Sangamon County Water Reclamation District.

Full Details Coming Soon

Hosted by IWEA's Plant Operations Committee

November 6, 2024

2024 IWEA Collections Seminar

Embassy Suites

07:30 AM - 02:00 PM CST

Daniel G. Bounds,

DBounds@baxterwoodman.com

The IWEA Collection Systems Seminar and Exposition is dedicated to advancing the practical, hands-on knowledge of the men and women who work in the collection system of Illinois municipalities. Event includes a networking breakfast and lunch. Earn 2 PDH/TCH. Click on the registration button below for the full agenda.

November 11, 2024

Veteran's Day

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

November 28, 2024

Thanksgiving

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

December 25, 2024

Christmas

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

January 1, 2025

New Year's Day

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

January 20, 2025

Martin Luther King Day

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

February 27, 2025

President's Day

IWEA

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST

March 11, 2025 - March 13, 2025	IAWA Mini-Conference IWEA 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST <i>See Illinois Association of Wastewater Agencies :: Home (ilwastewater.org) for more information.</i>
April 20, 2025	Easter IWEA 12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST
May 26, 2025	Memorial Day IWEA 12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST
July 4, 2025	4th of July IWEA 12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST
September 1, 2025	Labor Day IWEA 12:00 AM - 11:45 PM CST
September 16, 2025 - September 19, 2025	IAWA Annual Conference IWEA 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM CST <i>See Illinois Association of Wastewater Agencies :: Home (ilwastewater.org) for more information.</i>
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