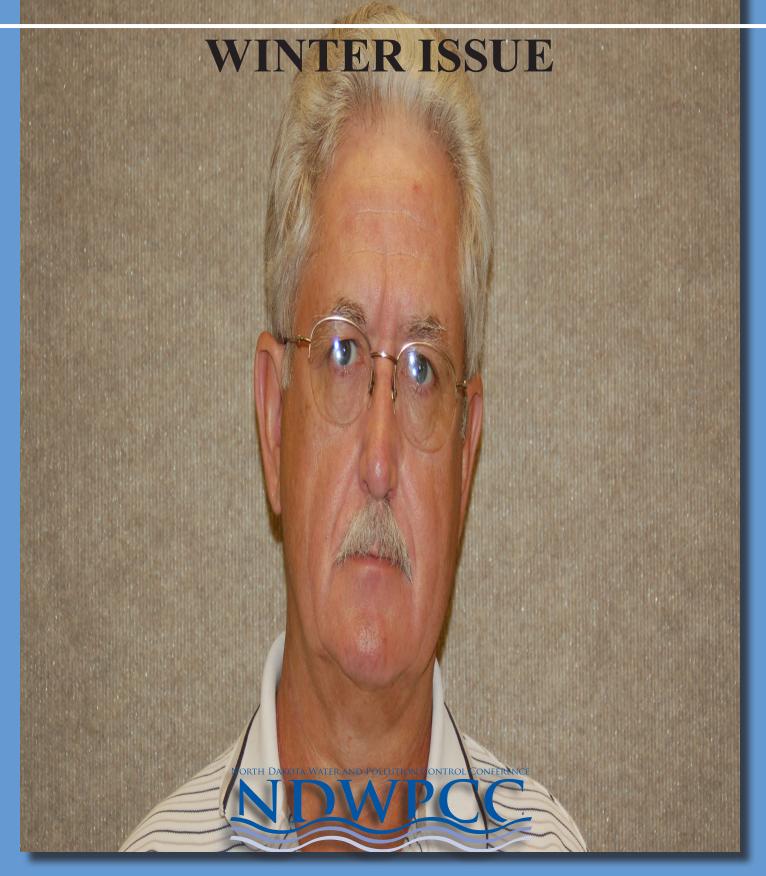
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On the cover: Mike Brisben: NDWPCC Secretary Treasurer 2006-2017. Thanks for

# NDSU Students Win 2017 Environmental Challenge Wei Lin, NDSU

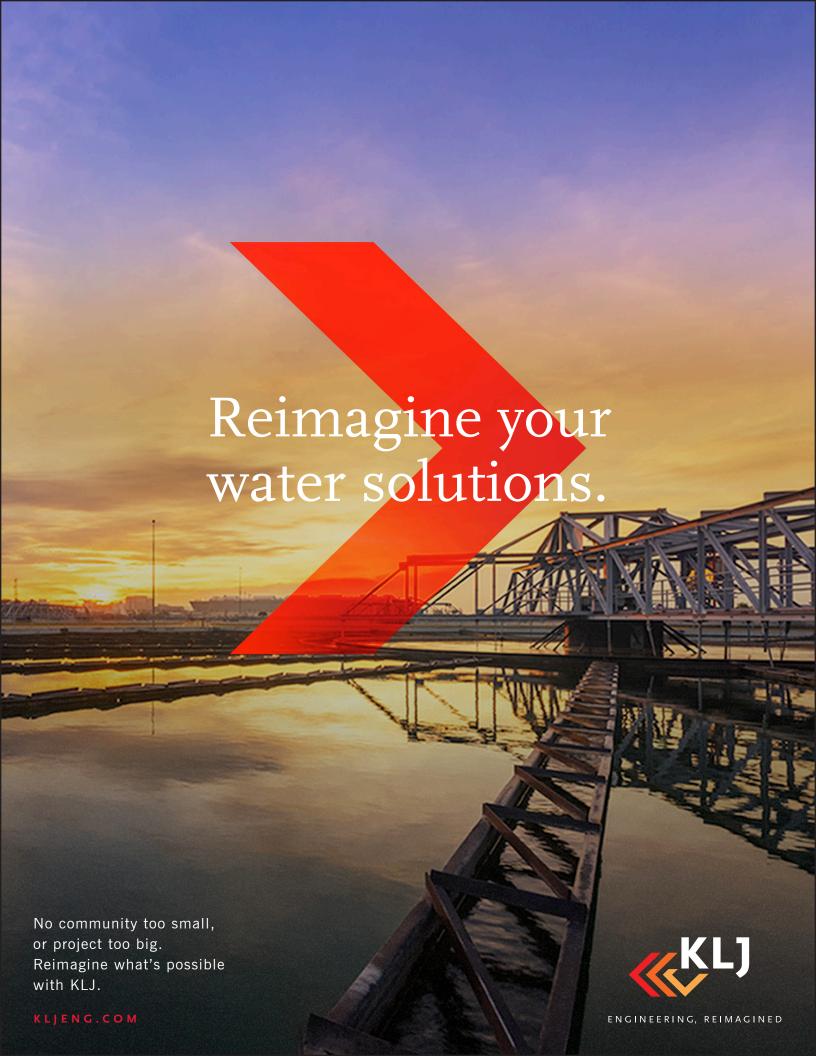
A team of Civil and Environmental Engineering students, representing the NDSU AWWA/WEF Student Chapter, won the Environmental Challenge (EC) at the Conference on the Environment (COE) on November 8, 2017 at the Minneapolis Convention Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The NDSU team members are Jamal Ghauri, Josh Hammermeister, and Emily Fassbender. They secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in the competition and received a \$1,500 cash award.

The EC, sponsored by the Air & Waste Management Association – Upper Midwest Section (AWMA-UMS) and Central States Water Environment Association (CSWEA)-Minnesota Section, is an undergraduate student team competition to prepare and present an optimal solution to a complex "true-to-life" environmental problem. The EC seeks not only technical and scientific analyses, but solutions that are presented in conjunction with the development of appropriate regulatory approaches and resolutions of political and community issues, which requires multidisciplinary approaches for success.

NDSU's winning project titled, "Midwest, MN WWTF Upgrades" sought to evaluate and propose infrastructure improvements for a fictional rural Minnesota community receiving strict CBOD and total phosphorus discharge limits. Each team was judged on a written solution, table top display, and formal oral presentation. With the win, this is the 5<sup>th</sup> victory for NDSU since the regional competition started in 2010.



From Left to Right: Emily Fassbender, Jamal Ghauri, Josh Hammermeister, and Eric Miller (Judge)



# Retirements from North Dakota Department of Health (NDDH) Division of Municipal Facilities



Wayne Kern retired on November 6, 2017 after 38 years of service with the Department.

Wayne Kern began working for the NDDH in 1979 and participated in and managed many projects and activities in the Division of Water Supply and Pollution Control, the Division of Waste Management and the Division of Municipal Facilities. During his tenure, he worked as a staff engineer in the Construction Grants Program and the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and he was the manager of the Drinking Water Program. He also started and administered the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Wayne served as Director of the Division of Waste Management and for the past 12 years he was the Director of the Division of Municipal Facilities.

The Department is truly grateful for the many years of service from Wayne. His dedication and all he has contributed in service to North Dakota and its citizens will continue to benefit the health of future generations. We offer him our sincere congratulations and best wishes on his retirement.

## **New Hires from North Dakota Department of Health (NDDH)**

Rondal "Joe" Lydon was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army as a Forward Observer in 1993 and spent the next eleven years working as a manager of a family owned tavern, running his own residential construction service, and going to school. In 2004, Joe graduated from Indiana University with a degree in Physical Geography and Geographic Information Systems. Joe has also studied Communications, Business Computer Information Systems, Natural Resources, and Backcountry Horsemanship.

Joe began his career regulating the coal mining industry in Kentucky and over the next 12 years also worked in Ohio and Virginia. In these positions, Joe did technical review of coal mine applications, inspection of coal mine sites and managed Abandoned Mine Land projects. Additionally, Joe had brief employment with the U. S. Geological Survey as a Hydrological Technician.

Joe is glad to call North Dakota home and is looking forward to working in the Division of Municipal facilities and the Drinking Water Program with its Ground Water Rule and the Inspections Program. Stacey Herreid joined the Division of Municipal Facilities on November 1 with a Degree in Professional Chemistry from Minot State University. In the Drinking Water Program, Stacey will be the manager for the Radionuclides, Fluoride, and Asbestos rules. Stacey will also provide support for general IT needs of the Division focusing on electronic data reporting.

Stacey's past work experience includes being an undergraduate research assistant at Minot State, a lease/reliability operator for several oil companies entering production data, maintained well performance as well as tested wells for H2S and other toxic gasses. In her most recent position, Stacey was a development associate for the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch in Minot working on data entry donation processing and databases.

Stacey is an outdoors enthusiast and enjoys spending much of her free time hunting and fishing in the outdoors with her husband, dad and two hunting dogs. Stacey also has a passion for flipping homes and general home improvement projects.



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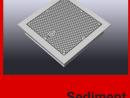


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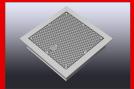




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#### **NDWEA**

## 58th Annual Meeting Minutes October 18, 2017

The North Dakota Water Environment Association (NDWEA) held its annual business meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at the Holiday Inn in Fargo North Dakota. President Michael Quamme called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m., 269 people were present at the business luncheon.

The 2016 NDWEA annual meeting minutes were published in the Official Bulletin. President Quamme asked if there were any objections to dispensing with the reading of the minutes. There were no objections. Tom Welle made a motion to dispense with the reading and approval of the minutes as published. Seth Lynne seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Bill Gefroh was called upon by President Quamme to present the Secretary-Treasurer's report. As of October 12, 2017 the NDWEA has a general fund balance of \$15,869.29. In 2016 at this time the balance was \$12,407.56. The NDWEA membership is at 121, last year at this time it was 124. Tom Welle made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Sara Waldron seconded the motion and the motion passed.

President Quamme called upon Jessica Wagner Chair of the Nomination Committee, to present the NDWEA nominations. The Nomination Committee members were Jessica Wagner, Karl Rockeman and Gary Zuroff. Ms. Wagner reported for the open officer positions that the committee nominates Greg Stack for the NDWEA Vice President and Karla Olson for Secretary-Treasurer. There were no nominations from the floor. Jessica Wagner read the slate of NDWEA officers for 2017/2018:

President: Marty Haroldson President-Elect: Don Wald Vice President: Greg Stack Secretary-Treasurer: Karla Olson

Delegate: Wei Lin, 2nd year of three-year term

Professional Wastewater Operations: Bill Sukalski, 2nd

year of three-year term

Past President: Karl Rockeman Past President: Gary Zuroff Past President: Michael Quamme

Karl Rockeman moved that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for the nominated slate of announced officers. Seth Lynne seconded the motion and the motion passed. President Michael Quamme introduced the guest speaker Tim Williams Deputy Executive Director for the Water Environment Federation (WEF).

Mr. Williams congratulated the conference on how well it is organized and on its success. He encouraged the NDWEA members to get more involved and highlighted Dr. Wei Lin on how much one can do in an organization. Mr. Lin started the North Dakota State University NDWEA/American Water Works Association (AWWA) Student Chapter in 1997. He engages, motivates and challenges the students by bringing them to the Water Environment Federation Technical Exposition Conference to compete in the WEF Student Design Competition starting in 2003 and it has gone non-stop over the last fourteen years. Mr. Lin has fulfilled the student chapter faculty advisor responsibility with strong support by the NDWEA and AWWA. The students have done well in the WEF design competitions. Mr. Williams indicated that the WEF and NDWEA should do more to recognize leaders, especially professors and students with service awards. We should do more in recognizing NDWEA members with awards such as the operator of the year award, quarter century operator award and others awards and recognition. Mr. Williams indicated that people that deserve recognition and awards the most, seek it the least. Mr. Williams recognized Michael Quamme on the work that he has done with numerous WEF design projects, working with the NDSU Student Chapter and the Young Professionals. WEF should also recognize cities on nutrient reduction, energy production and resource recovery in becoming utilities of the future.

Mr. Williams talked about community and the water business, where we are essential in the water sector. We are first responders along with the fire department and police department and this can't be underscored. Mr. Williams said, "ask yourself what can I do to inspire people in the water profession and help them to succeed". There are many ways that we can help out being a mentor and teacher. Bring a friend along to the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference next year for consideration of a career in the water sector, help a high school student with their science fair project or the Stockholm Junior Water Prize competition or help a group of college students on their WEF Student Design Competition project. Take time at work to help the young people. We should remind friends, neighbors and people in the community the critical role of the water utility and economy and to take pride in the essential services that we provide.

At this time, President Marty Haroldson became the Chief Officer of the NDWEA. President Marty Haroldson presented Michael Quamme with the President's Service Award. There being no further business Mr. Haroldson asked for a motion to adjourn. Jessica Wagner made a motion to adjourn. Tom Welle seconded the motion and President Haroldson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Gefroh NDWEA Secretary-Treasurer CUSTOMERS WITH THE
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## NDWEA Nominating Committee 3 most recent past presidents

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#### **NDWPCC Conference Dates**

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## **Arthur Sidney Bedell Award**

The Arthur Sidney Bedell Award was established to acknowledge extraordinary personal service to a Member Association. The award is named for Arthur Sidney Bedell, the second president of the Federation who exemplified its purpose by his long devotion and service to the New York Water Environment Association. Qualification for the award is based on organization leadership, administrative service, membership activity and stimulation of technical functions.

Seth Lynne joined the Water Environment Federation and North Dakota Water Environment Association in June of 2005, beginning his term as the NDWEA President in 2008. He participated in and was a judge at three North Dakota Science and Engineering Fairs and Six Stockholm Junior Water Prize events. He was the recipient of the 5S Award at last year's ND Water and Pollution Control Conference and gave his 12th career presentation at this year's conference with past topics highlighting his expertise in wastewater treatment, collections, and computer modeling, much of which was gained through real-life experience as a licensed Class C Wastewater Operator.

He was born and raised in Minot, North Dakota, graduating from Minot High School in 1998. He was involved in football as well as the Honor Society in high school. He sang and played guitar in the well-known, critically acclaimed and highly touted band International Velvet

In 2003, he graduated from North Dakota State University with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He continued his education at North Dakota State University, earning his Master's degree in Environmental Engineering in 2007.



He has more than 12 years of experience in the evaluation, planning and design of mechanical wastewater treatment and collection facilities and is a regional odor control expert, planning and designing multiple odor control systems for clients across the upper Midwest. He specializes in hydraulic and process modeling, microbiology and all aspects of plant evaluation and design.

On a personal note, he has two sons, Asher and Anders, and lives with his wife Amy in south Fargo. In his spare time he enjoys summer weekends at Lake Lida. He is a big football fan, following the Bison, Vikings and the New England Patriots (mostly his idol...man crush... Tom Brady). He enjoys fixing up classic Corvettes, listening to music - especially Pearl Jam.

#### Hatfield Award

The Hatfield Award is presented to operators of wastewater treatment facilities for outstanding performance and professionalism. The award was established in honor of Dr. William Hatfield, Superintendent of the Decatur Illinois Sanitary District, who was President of the Central States Sewage Works Association in 1944 – 1945 and served as President of the Federation in 1958 – 1959. Jeff Hoff began working as a wastewater treatment operator in 1991. He joined the North Dakota Water Environment Association in 1995, and attained his Grade 4 Wastewater Treatment Operator Certificate in 1996. He has presented numerous times at this conference, and has made significant contributions to optimizing membrane and reverse osmosis operations in effluent re-use facilities.

He was born in Bismarck, ND and graduated high school in Wing, ND in 1974. He received a degree in Auto Mechanics in 1981 from Moorhead Technical Institute, and in 1983 received a second degree in Electronics. Additionally, he took all eight ASE mechanic certifications simultaneously and won the Amoco Certificate Award for the highest score in the western region of the United States in 1991. In 1991 he began working as a Wastewater Operator for the City of Fargo and has since been promoted to Control Systems Supervisor.



On a personal note, he and his wife Karen have two sons (James and Jeremiah), one daughter (Alicia), and seven grandchildren.

In his spare time, he enjoys fixing computers and TV's and donating them to those in need. He also enjoys growing plants. For the past 40 years he and his wife Karen have been active in their church by serving Sunday suppers to NDSU students. Additionally, since the beginning of the Fargo/Moorhead Red Hawks baseball team 22 years ago, he has sewn patches and nameplates on team uniforms.

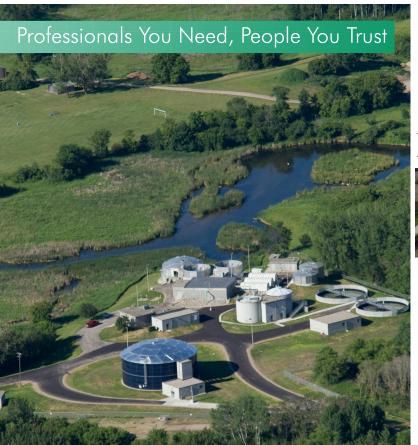
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### **Operator of the Year Awards**

Thank you for your hard work!

The North Dakota Department of Health, in an effort to encourage proper operation and maintenance of water and wastewater systems, instituted an annual operator awards program in 1981 at the Annual North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference in Jamestown. This year marks the 37th anniversary of the awards program which has honored 196 operators and three military units (the U.S. Army Reserve, the ND Army National Guard, and the ND Air National Guard) for outstanding service.

The awards are based on:

- 1. Field and inspection reports.
- 2. Compliance with state and federal regulations.
- 3. Participation in the North Dakota Operator Training and Certification Program.

4. Participation in the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference, North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association, North Dakota Water Environmental Association, the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association, and the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association.

Recipients of the 2017 Operator of the Year Awards are:

#### Kenny Bergstrom – City of Williston

Kenny started with the city in September of 2001 as a meter reader and on his first day, management allowed him to rake the bar screen at the wastewater treatment plant launching his career in water and wastewater. He initially obtained certification as a wastewater treatment 01 operator and currently holds class 03 wastewater collection and class 04 water distribution certificates. In June, Kenny was named the Public Works Operations Manager for the city of Williston.



Mike Hall – Lake Metigoshe Recreation Service District

Mike started working for LMRSD in August 2007 and became manager in 2011. He has been in the plumbing business since 1988 and prior to working in North Dakota he owned a plumbing, mechanical, and fire place retail store in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mike has been on the Roland Township board for seven years and is focus on updating the LMRSD and handling the expansion of the Lake Metigoshe area. Mike is a class 01 wastewater treatment and wastewater collection operator.



#### Alice Pekarski – City of Montpelier

Alice was instrumental in implementing the installment of the city water system which began in 1982. She received her class 1A water distribution certification in 2004 and has served as city auditor since 2003. She was a property appraiser for Stutsman County for 29 years retiring in 2009. Along with being city auditor and water operator, Alice is also the organist and financial secretary for her church, teaches piano lessons to ten students, works part time at the post office, and is bookkeeper for the local National Federation of Music club. Her husband Phil calls Alice the "Mother of Montpelier".

#### Steve Wieser – City of Richardton

Steve started work for the city in 1972 and as Public Works Superintendent he handles all aspects of water distribution, wastewater collection, and wastewater treatment. Steve repairs and maintains all city equipment, facilities, and grounds. He also serves as Street Superintendent, which includes sweeping, maintenance, and snow removal. He has overseen multiple upgrades to the city water and sewer systems and is a class 01 water treatment, water distribution, wastewater treatment, and wastewater collection operator.

## Past Recipients: Operator of the Year Awards

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2016 Southy	Dane Fuchs, New Salem Brian Harrington, Carrington Grace Rixen-Handford, west Water Authority Jerry Tufte, Glenfield	2013	Darrell Haman, Towner Don Hartman, Wildrose Bradley Moser, Medina Dale Neubauer, Fargo	2010	Wade Hesch, Valley City Mark Peterson, Fargo Donald Wald, Wahpeton Keith Winson, Maddock
2015	Kelly Jemtrud, Velva Barry Schulz, Missouri West	2012	Alan Beyries, Garrison Frank Mosser, Maddock Sam Shutt, Minto	2009	Dennis Larson, Park River Ken Miskavige, Grafton Gary Neuberger, Beulah
Water	System John Silvenail, Lisbon		Michael Tank, Medora		Jason Sorenson, Minot
	Dell Widmer, Kulm	2011 Supply	Kent Bickler, R&T Water	2008	Bill Gefroh, Bismarck Steve Himmelspach, Mandan
2014	Clary Kruger, Riverdale Wayne Offerdahl, Fargo Lyle Quenzer, South Central		Mike Houska, Grafton Rick Larson, Rugby William "Bill" McQuiston,		Richard Jacobson, Hazen Roy Hayes, Hazen
Water	District Adam Thomas, Washburn	Willist	on	2007	Duane Golliet, Fargo Raymond Peterson, Fargo Terry Rust, West Fargo Jerome Olson, Traill Rural
				Water	District

2006	Kelly Berentson, Westhope Jerry Imhoff, Elgin Jay Haugen, Michigan	Staff Members of the 136th Quartermaster Battalion North Dakota Army National Guard Staff Members of the 119th Civil	City of Grand Forks Water Distribution Operators Ron Borden Darrel Danielson
2005	Keith Olson, Harvey Bob Weninger, Harvey Ken Blilie, Kindred Del Kindelspire, LaMoure	Engineering Squadron North Dakota Air National Guard	Robert Deitz Perry Hart Jackie Heidric Michael Klemisch
2004	Ron Hendrickson, Fargo Pete Bilstad, Fargo Delvin Stemen, Burlington Mark Paddock, Burlington	Operators of Grand Forks-Traill Water Users Randy Loeslie Mike Thompson Neil Breidenbach Ray Rakoczy	David Kratochvil Dennis Kulas Shirley Litchy John Scheffer Mark Skow Peter Stoute
2003 Plains	Rick Anderson, Central Water District Keith Fulsebakke, Bottineau	Operators of Agassiz Water Users Gus Cronquist	Randy Thompson Dwight Wurzbacher Donald Zhorela
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Centra	Doug Neibauer, South l Regional Water District Gary Zander, Mandan	Brian Borden Jason Coyle Andy Job Greg Batzer	Thomas Helle Kenneth Stevenson Peter Aamold Dennis Dunn
2001 Minne	Verdeen Backstrom, waukan Jerome Broz, Fairmount Jack Knudson, Jamestown	Steven Bolton David Brose James Evenson John Ferguson	Robert Fetsch Duane Fontaine Gary Goetz Dennis Gunderson
Water	Paul Lacina, Barnes Rural Tim Gjovig, Crosby	Larry Hadland Erik Johnson, Jr. Richard Jurgens Rodney Kalis	Edward Haskell David Kresel Thomas Mikelson Lawrence Morrison
2000	Jim Fixen, Alexander Ed Rekkedal, Arvilla Reuben Grosz, Bismarck	Ken Mather Robert Peterson Wayne Tunseth	Carl Sherlock Richard Winkels
1999	Richard Wanner, Bismarck Tom Sieg, Anamoose Ron Kleven, Grafton	Dan Tupa Craig Lacher Steve Kolar Linda Schumacher	1996 Randy Seelig, Lisbon Skip Rapp, Dickinson Larry Thomas, Washburn Gary Hager, Upper Souris
	Bill Emerson, Minot	Hazel Sletten	Water Users
1998	Bill Link, Walsh Water Users Ross Carter, Sherwood Bob French, Bismarck Terry Leingang, Riverdale		1995 Brad Moser, Medina Les Sigette, McVille Don Olafson, Valley City Charles Jaszkowiak,
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## 89th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH DAKOTA WATER AND POLLUTION CONTROL CONFERENCE

The 89th Annual Meeting of the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference (NDWPCC) was held October 17, 18, and 19, 2017, at the Holiday Inn, Fargo, North Dakota. The annual meeting/convention was held jointly with the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association (NDCAPWA), the North Dakota Water Environment Association (NDWEA), the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association (NDAWWA), and the North Dakota Chapter of the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association (NASECA-ND).

There was a pre-conference AWWA Small Water System Workshop on Emergency Response Planning, Monday, October 16, 2017, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Frontier Room of the Holiday Inn, 3803 13th Ave S, Fargo, ND. The NDAWWA Education and Research Committee was also scheduled at 7:00 p.m., Monday, in the Frontier Room.

Board meetings were held Tuesday, October 17, 2017, by NDAWWA at 7:30 a.m. in the Frontier Room, NDCAPWA at 8:00 a.m. in Embassy A Room, NDWEA at 8:00 a.m. in the Embassy B Room, and Wednesday, October 18, 2017, by NASECA-ND at 8:00 a.m. in the Mezzanine Suite I Board Room. The associations planned their business meetings, gave committee reports, and accepted volunteers for committees. Association business meetings were held Tuesday, October 17th (NDAWWA); Wednesday, October 18th (NDWEA); and Thursday, October 19th (NDCAPWA and NDWPCC).

North Dakota Department of Health (NDDH) Water and Waste Water Certification Exams were written Tuesday, October 17, 2017, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Wastewater Operator pH Certification training was held 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Mezzanine Suite III. Registration opened at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2017, with Patty Carman and Julie Feist welcoming all attendees. A total of 398 preregistered with final attendance being 445.

The Joint Board of Directors of the NDWPCC, NDCAPWA, NDWEA, NDAWWA, and NASECAND met at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2017, in the Executive Room with NDWPCC President Joe Ferguson presiding. The following board members and guests were present: Mike Berg, Mike Brisben, Joe Ferguson, Bill Gefroh, Rick Gillund, Dallas Grossman, Kellan Grubb, Marty Haroldson, Shawn Heinle, Jeff Heintz, Barry Johnson, Mitch Kannenberg, Jasper Klein, Jim Lennington, Wei Lin, Jennifer Malloy, Lance Meyer, Dennis Miranowski, Tim Paustian, Michael Quamme, Dustin Scott, Luci Snowden, Matt Sperry, Jess Wagner, Don Wald, Terry Walters, Tim Williams, Adam Zach, and Gary Zuroff.

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.by NDWPCC President Joe Ferguson. Copies of the meeting agenda and January 1 through October 12, 2017, financial report was provided to those in attendance.

The first order of business President Ferguson called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the May 17, 2017 minutes and approve the copy mailed to all board members. Lance Meyer so moved, Rick Gillund seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, President Ferguson called for the Treasurer's Report. Shawn Heinle read the 2017 NDWPCC financial report, which showed a net gain of \$39,874.01 and total assets of \$185,716.21. Mr. Heinle noted another expense of \$20,227.63, a correction for past QuickBooks inconsistent entries, and \$36,121 in undeposited funds, which were not included in the January 1 through April 30, 2017 report. President Ferguson asked for any discussion. Hearing none, President Ferguson called for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Michael Quamme so moved, Gary Zuroff seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, President Ferguson called for any old business. Mr. Heinle mentioned the dates and locations of the upcoming Conferences, Grand Forks in 2018 and Bismarck in 2019. Mr. Grubb indicated that there were four poster entries in the YP contest and four judges to evaluate the posters. Mr. Heinle said the entertainment for the YP social was an improv group called the Line Benders. No further old business.

President Ferguson called for new business. First, Mr. Ferguson asked for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee. Wei Lin, Bill Gefroh, and Michael Quamme volunteered. Also, the auditing committee needed three volunteers. Jess Wagner, Bill Gefroh, and Rick Gillund volunteered. President Ferguson then asked for nominations of Life Membership, Bill Gefroh made the motion to nominated Mike Brisben, Michael Quamme seconded the motion. The vote will occur at the business meeting on Thursday, October 19th. Mr. Heinle indicated the conference activities could be found in the orange packet found in everyone's conference folder.

President Ferguson then called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mike Brisben, seconded by Adam Zach. Meeting adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Water samples for the 26th Annual Water Taste Test, sponsored by NDAWWA were accepted throughout the day Tuesday with ten public water systems competing. The Tuesday luncheon and NDAWWA business meeting were held in the Sterling and Crowne Rooms with NDAWWA Chair, Wade Hesch, presiding. Fargo Mayor, Dr. Tim Mahoney, welcomed all attendees on behalf of Fargo and Rick Gillund, President, NDCAPWA, welcomed all on behalf of the joint boards. Guest speaker, Mitch Kannenberg, Vice President, AWWA, updated the members on AWWA national activities.

The annual golf tournament was held at the Rose Creek Golf Course in Fargo, with Karla Olson and Kellen Grubb handling local arrangements.

The Tuesday afternoon concurrent sessions started at 1:30 p.m. and the Fargo facility tours at 2:00 p.m. with Adam Zach, Trustee, NDAWWA; Wei Lin, WEF Delegate, NDWEA; and Luci Snowden, Board Member, NASECAND, moderating. Ninety-five attendees participated in the public works facility tours.

The three sessions were held in the Dakota Hall, the Harvest Hall Executive and Board Rooms, and the Harvest Hall Directors and Conference rooms. Tuesday's topics included:

"Water Treatment Chemistry" – Delvin DeBoer, Project Manager, AE2S.

"Lessons Learned Using Trenchless Technologies for Challenging Water Main Installation"- Jade Berube, Project Manager, Apex Engineering Group.

"Ghosts in the Machine: Trouble Shooting Strategies to Diagnose Electrical and Control System Problems" – Kyle Koterba, Lead Electrical Engineer, Apex Engineering Group.

"Water Storage Tank Selection" – Doug Whitney, Senior Engineer, KLJ.

"SRF Update" – David Bruschwein, DWSRF Program Manager, NDDH.

"Case Studies on De-Classifying Plant Areas to Meet Fire Protection Code NFPA 820." – Eric Miller, Senior Engineer, SEH.

"Dewaterability & Bio-P and Dewatering Optimizations" – Mario Benisch, Process Engineer, HDR.

"Bismarck Wastewater Plant H2S Control" – Emily Von Hagen, Kristopher Knutson, Ricardo Zamora, and Heather Yelle, WEFTEC Design Team.

"WEF Update" – Tim Williams, Deputy Executive Director, WEF.

"Wastewater Emergency Preparedness" – Karl Rock, Director, Division of Water Quality, NDDH.

"Regional Partnership and Infrastructure Update" – Nathan Boerboom, James Hausauer, Troy Hall, City of Fargo, and Chris Brungardt, City of West Fargo.

"Analyzing a Gravity vs. Pump Storm Sewer System" – Thomas Johnson, Senior Water Resource Engineer, and Emily Huettle, Civil Engineer, Ackerman-Estvold.

"Urban Plains – Integration of Parks and Stormwater Management" – Brian Gaddie, AE2S "Large Scale Capital Improvements" – DelRon Peters, Senior Wastewater Project manager, HDR "2nd Street/Downtown Fargo Floodwalls" – Randy Engelstad, Project Manager, Houston Engineering.

The 3:00 p.m. break was held at the Pool Patio with all breaks sponsored by the business firms, vendors, and commercial suppliers listed in the program. A Tuesday YP Social was held from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Harvest Hall with Line Benders providing entertainment from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Special thanks to the exhibitors for sponsoring this event.

Early set up for the 29th Annual Exhibitor Program was from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the Great Hall. Late set up was from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 18, 2017. Display hours were from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. with 69 firms/suppliers reserving 77 booths. A breakfast buffet sponsored by the exhibitors was held from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. along with a breakfast buffet poker game. Poker hands were turned in at the NDWEA booth and the registration table, with winners announced at the Wednesday, NDWEA, business luncheon. Poker dealers included Ackerman-Estvold; AE2S; Apex Engineering Group; KLJ; EJ Iron; Moore Engineering; NDRWSA, and Opworks. The following business firms, suppliers and associations participated in the exhibitor program: NDAWWA, NDWEA, NDCAPWA, NAESECA-ND, Ackerman-Estvold; DSG; Larson Data; Tech Sales; Quality Flow Systems; Normont Equipment; Electric Pump, Inc.; Flexible Pipe Tool Company; Bartlett & West; Enpro, Inc.; Vessco; KLM Engineering; Public Works Sales Holdings; Hawkins; Widseth Smith Nolting; Swanston Equipment; Bolton & Menk; EJ; NDRWSA; Ferguson Waterworks; American Pipe; Thein Well; Moore Engineering; NBS Calibrations; Kodru-Mooney; Public Finance Authority/NDDH SRF; KLJ; American Flow Control; Sanitation Products; Tnemec/Coating Resources; Sweeney Controls Co.; Interstate Engineering; NDSU/ NDLTAP/UGPTI; General Repair Service; Treatment Resources; Fischer, Harris, and Assoc.; Houston Engineering; Ferguson Power Pump, Inc.; AE2S; HDR; Wells Concrete; Ulteig Engineering; ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service; Team Lab; Terracon Consultants; Red Flint Sand & Gravel; HD Supply Waterworks; American AVK; Engineered Sales; OpWorks; Victaulic; Advanced Drainage Systems; Brock White Company; Great Northern Environmental; Worley Marketing Group; Legette, Brashears & Graham; MVTL Laboratories; Northern Pipe Products; Water Smart; Apex Engineering Group; Community Water Solutions; ABM Equipment; Dakota Pump and Control; SEH; MNX Inc.; and Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc.

The NDWEA luncheon and business meeting was held at 12:00 noon on the Pool Patio with NDWEA President, Michael Quamme, presiding. Also, Guest Speaker, Tim Williams, Deputy Executive Director, WEF, updated the members on WEF activities.

Next, Marty Haroldson, President, NDWEA announced the winning poker hands and handed out the cash prizes.

The Wednesday concurrent sessions started at 1:30 p.m. with Mike Berg, Chair-Elect, NDAWWA; Jess Wagner, Past President, NDWEA; and Dallas Grossman, Treasurer, NASECA-ND moderating.

Wednesday's topics included:

"Current Events for Lead in Drinking Water" – Amy Kinzler, Environmental Scientist, NDDH.

"Groundwater Issues and Solutions" – Brian Bergantine, Operations Manager, AE2S.

"Pipe Standard Installation Practices" – Joe Zauner, Sales engineer, American Cast Iron Pipe.

"Drought Management" – Troy Hall, Water Utility Director, City of Fargo; Jacob Strombeck, Project Manager, AE2S.

"Gimmicks and Gadgets Panel Discussion" – Gary Zuroff, City of Dickinson; Brad Stieg, City of Dickinson. "AWWA and North Dakota" – Mitch Kannenberg, Vice President, AWWA.

"Membrane Replacement" – Don Wald, City of Wahpeton.

"Improved anaerobic Digester Performance" – Seth Lynne, Associate, Apex Engineering Group; Don Tucker, Wastewater Superintendent, City of Fargo.

"Wipes and FOG Public Education" – Bill Gefroh, Lab & Pretreatment Manager, City of Bismarck.

"Harmful Algal Blooms" – Gary Zuroff, Public Works Director, City of Dickinson; Karl Rockeman, Director, Division of Water Quality, NDDH.

"Resource Recovery" – Karla Olson, Associate/ Project Manager, Apex Engineering Group.

"Electrical Safety" – Luke Lindberg, Human Resource Coordinator, City of Fargo.

"Watershed Master Planning – On Site vs. Regional Facility." – Jeff Hruby, Civil Practices Director, AE2S.

"Regulatory Update" – Patricia McQueary, ND Regulatory Program Manager, USACE

"Working with the Media" – Tom Jirik, Communication Coordinator, UGPTI.

"FM Area Diversion Project Update" – Eric Dodds, Program Manager, AE2S.

"Buffalo River Restoration Project" – Erik Jones, Project Manager, Houston Engineering.

"Snow Management and Spring Clean-up" – Jeff Heintz, City of Bismarck; Mark Williams, City of Fargo; Chad Zander, City of West Fargo; Kevin Morlan, City of Fargo; Terry Halstengard, City of Bismarck.

Attendees met at 3:00 p.m. at the Pool Patio for an afternoon break.

A social hour was held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Pool Patio prior to the awards banquet. The following companies graciously sponsored the social hour, door prizes, coffee breaks, and golf tournament: ABM Equipment and Supply, AE2S, Apex Engineering Group, Bolton & Menk, EJ, Electric Pump, Fergus Power Pump, Ferguson Waterworks, Hawkins, Houston Engineering, Interstate Engineering, KLJ, Killoran Trucking & Brokerage, KLM Engineering, Kodru-Mooney, Moore Engineering, ND Sewage Pump & Lift Station Service, Quality Flow Systems, Terracon Consultants, and Vessco.

The annual banquet and awards ceremony was held in the Great Hall with 261 members and guests in attendance. Darin Selvig served as master of ceremonies introducing the officers and dignitaries at the head table and calling on Terry Rust to deliver the invocation.

After dinner, Mr. Selvig called on the visiting dignitaries to present the 2017 awards. Mitch Kannenberg, Vice-President, AWWA presented the Fuller Award to Wei Lin, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering, NDSU, and the Operator Meritorious Award to Richard Jacobson, Waterworks Superintendent, City of Hazen.

Then Adam Zach, NDAWWA, announced Marina Martin as the 2017 poster winner.

Next, Mr. Zach indicated that ten public water systems participated in the 26th Annual Water Taste Test with the City of Lisbon being the 2017 winner.

Next, Tim Williams, Deputy Executive Director, WEF, provided a brief update on WEF activities and presented Seth Lynne, Associate, Apex Engineering Group, the Arthur Sidney Bedell Award. Then Mr. Williams presented the Hatfield Award to Jeff Hoff, Operator, City of Fargo. Finally, he presented Karla Olson, Associate, Apex Engineering Group, the WEF Delegate Service Award.

Next, Dustin Scott, Vice President, NDCAPWA, announced the 2017 APWA Project of the Year Awards with the City of Finley and Moore Engineering receiving the small system award and the City of Fargo and Apex Engineering receiving the large system award.

Next, Shawn Heinle, NDDH, presented Operator of the Year Awards to Kenny Bergstrom, Public Works Manager, City of Williston; Mike Hall, Operator, Lake Metigoshe Recreation Service District; Alice Pekarski, Water Operator, City of Montpelier; and Steve Wieser, Water and Wastewater Operator, City of Richardton. The Annual Public Works Directors' and City Engineers' meeting was held Thursday, October 19, 2017, at 7:30 a.m. in the Mezzanine IV Room.

The three Thursday morning concurrent sessions started at 8:00 a.m. with David Bruschwein, Secretary, NDAWWA; Karl Rockeman, Past President, NDWEA; and Rick Gillund, President, NDCAPWA moderating.

Thursday's topics included:

"TMBC Membrane System" – Dan Heitzmann, Civil Engineer, Houston Engineering.

"Minot Water Treatment Plant and Hazard Mitigation Project" – Alan Kemmet, Principal/Project Engineer, Houston Engineering.

"Regional Aquifer Mapping and Ground Water Sustainability" – Mike Plante, Associate/Hydrogeologist, Leggette, Brashers and Graham; Mitch Kannenberg, Associate Vice President, Leggette, Brashears, and Graham.

"What's in Your Pint" – Scott Schaefer, Wastewater Practice Leader, AE2S.

"Phosphate in Drinking Water" – Bill Gefroh, Lab & Pretreatment Manager, City of Bismarck.

"Williston WRRF" – Jason Benson, Project Manager, AE2S.

"Integrating Digester Improvements with Enhanced Energy Recovery" – Kathy Crowson, Sr. Wastewater Operations Specialist, SEH

"Odor and Corrosion Control" – Michael Quamme, Project Engineer, Apex Engineering Group.

"Planning for a Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility" – Jim Hausauer, Waste Utility Director, City of Fargo; Karla Olson, Project manager, Apex Engineering Group.

"Jet Cleaning, Televising, Inspection, and Repair Panel Discussion" – Gary Zuroff, City of Dickinson; Kyle Price, City of Dickinson; Jeron Fueller, City of Bismarck; Terry Rust, City of West Fargo.

"Applied Risk to Prioritize Sanitary Lift Station Improvements" – Kellen Grubb, Project Engineer, AE2s; Don Tucker, Wastewater Superintendent, City of Fargo.

"GIS for Public Works Employees" – Jim Mertz, GIS Specialist, Bolton & Menk.

"ND Stormwater Criteria Manual/Regulatory Update" – Dallas Grossman, Environmental Engineer, NDDH.

"Confined Space and Excavation Safety" – Bill Wuolu, Safety Representative, KLJ.

A break was held at the Pool Patio at 10:00 a.m.

The joint business meetings and luncheon of the NDCAPWA and NDWPCC were held at 12:00 noon Thursday, October 19, 2017, with the NDCAPWA President Rick Gillund and NDWPCC President Joe Ferguson presiding. President Gillund opened the NDCAPWA meeting at 12:10 p.m. with Chuck Abel giving the NDCAPWA financial report and President Gillund announcing the slate of officers.

President Ferguson called the NDWPCC meeting to order at 12:24 p.m. As the first order of business President Ferguson called for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 2016 annual meeting in Minot and approve the minutes as published in the Official Bulletin, October-December 2016, Volume 104, Numbers 10-12. Chuck Abel so moved. Seth Lynne seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, Mr. Heinle presented the 2017 NDWPCC financial report, showing a net income of \$39,894.01 and total assets of \$185,736.21. President Ferguson, called for a motion to approve the financial report. Bill Gefroh so moved. Dan Jonasson seconded, and the motion carried.

President Ferguson then asked if there was any discussion on the changes to the conference resolutions displayed by the registration table. Hearing none, President Ferguson then asked for a motion to accept the resolutions. Jacob Schafer so moved. Karla Olson seconded. Motion passed.

Next, President Ferguson nominated Mike Brisben from Bismarck for life membership. President Ferguson called for other nominations from the floor. Hearing none, President Ferguson called for a motion to close nominations and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot. Kellen Grub so moved. Karla Olson seconded, and the motion carried.

Next, Chair of the Nominating Committee, Wei Lin, read the slate of officers received from the nominating committee:

Tracy Eslinger, President
Mike Berg, President-Elect
Wei Lin, Vice-President
Jacqueline Melcher, Director
Jim Lennington, Director
Lance Meyer, Director
Michael Quamme, Director
Tom Scott, Associate Director
Shawn Heinle, Secretary-Treasurer

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Next, President Eslinger presented outgoing President Ferguson the NDWPCC President's Service Award and thanked him for his dedicated service.

President Eslinger called for a motion to close the meeting. Seth Lynne so moved. Lance Meyer seconded, and the 89th Annual Meeting of the NDWPCC adjourned at 12:44 p.m., Thursday, October 19, 2017.

Respectfully submitted, Shawn Heinle Secretary-Treasurer



## **Delegate Service Award / Project Of The Year Awards**



Karla Olson has held various leadership positions within the North Dakota Section of the Water Environment Association, North Dakota Water & Pollution Control Conference and the Water Environment Federation. She is a past president of the both the North Dakota Water Environment Association and the North Dakota Water & Pollution Control Conference. It is our honor in recognizing Karla, her years of service and contributions as the North Dakota Delegate for the Water Environment Federation.

Karla graduated from the University of North Dakota with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering and a Master's Degree in Environmental Engineering. After college, she was employed by S.E.H. in St. Paul, Minnesota, before returning to Fargo in 2005. In 2010, she helped form Apex Engineering Group where she is currently employed as an Associate Partner and Project Manager in the Water Group. Her project management, design and planning experience includes all aspects of wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment.

She was raised in Buffalo, North Dakota, and graduated from Maple Valley High School. She met her husband, Josh, while working as an engineering intern for the Cass County Highway Department. They were married in 2002 and currently reside in Horace, North Dakota, with their two sons, Noah (12) and Kaden (10). When Karla isn't designing wastewater treatment facilities, she enjoys golf, spending time with family and friends, and watching her sons' baseball and football games.

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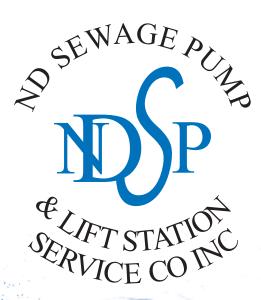
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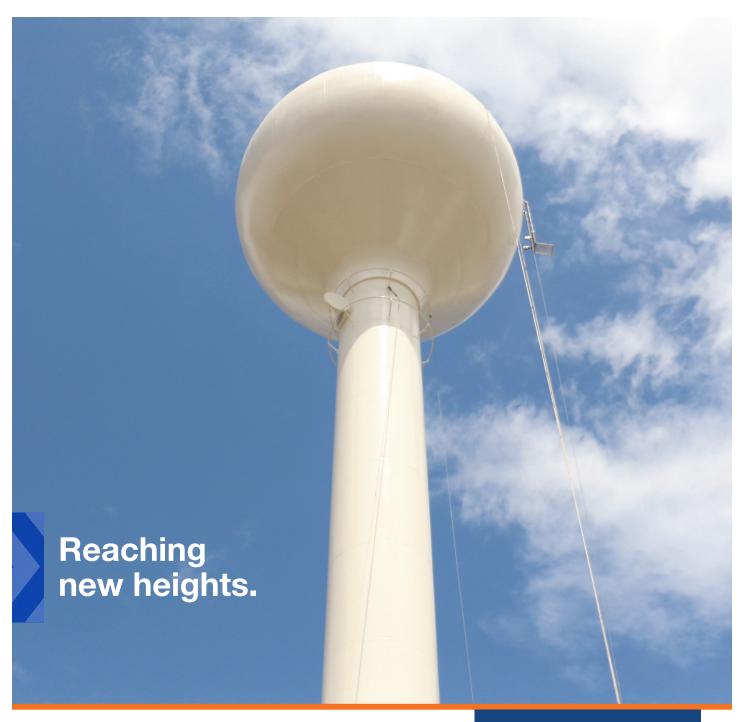
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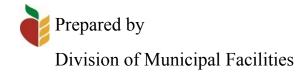


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## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

# CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR





Environmental Health Section

North Dakota Department of Health

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#### REPORT PURPOSE

The North Dakota Department of Health (department) administers the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) Program in North Dakota. Section 1420 (c)(3) of the SDWA requires that the department must report the effectiveness of its capacity development program to the governor every three years. Capacity refers to a water system's technical, managerial and financial capability to maintain SDWA compliance. Failure by the department to provide such a report will result in a 20 percent withholding of subsequent fiscal year federal grant funds for the DWSRF Program.

#### INTRODUCTION

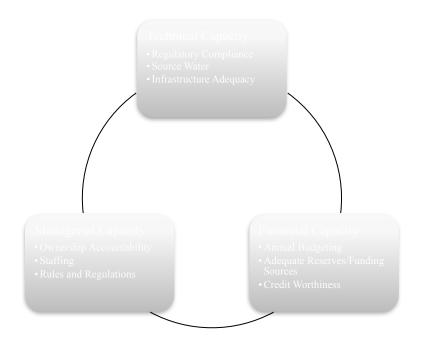
The 1996 Amendments to the SDWA acknowledged that a capable water system is better positioned to consistently comply with applicable standards and provide safe and reliable water service. Congress recognized that protection of the public's water supply requires ongoing compliance with the operation and maintenance of public water system (PWS) facilities. The term "capacity development" was used to describe capability. The fundamentals of capacity are to: (1) protect public health by ensuring consistent compliance with drinking water standards; (2) enhance performance beyond that of compliance through measures that bring about efficiency, effectiveness and service excellence; and (3) promote continuous improvement through monitoring, assessment and strategic planning.

Capacity has three components: technical, managerial and financial (Figure 1). Adequate capacity in all three areas is necessary for a system to have "capacity."

Technical capacity refers to the physical infrastructure of the water system including, but not limited to, the adequacy of source water, infrastructure adequacy (source, treatment, storage and distribution), and the ability of system personnel to implement the proper technical knowledge. Managerial capacity includes ownership accountability, adequate staffing and organization, and an understanding of the rules and regulations. Financial capacity refers to the financial resources of the water system including, but not limited to, the revenue sufficiency, credit worthiness, and fiscal management and controls.

Section 1420 of the SDWA requires that states develop and implement a strategy to assist PWSs in acquiring and maintaining technical, managerial and financial capacity.

Figure 1
Water System Capacity



#### OBJECTIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA'S CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

The capacity development strategy has two separate programs--one for new systems and one for existing systems. Even though there are two programs, the underlying objectives of both are the same. The major objectives of North Dakota's Capacity Development Strategy are:

- Prioritization of systems most in need
- Assessment of system capacity
- Developing programs to assist systems with SDWA compliance
- Encouraging partnering between systems
- Measuring success

#### **New Systems Program**

All new North Dakota community water systems (CWSs) and non-transient non-community water systems (NTNCWSs) are required to demonstrate technical, managerial and financial capability (capacity) prior to commencing operation. CWSs are PWSs that serve year-round residents such as municipalities, rural water systems, subdivisions and mobile home parks. NTNCWSs are PWSs that serve the same people for a minimum of six months per year (e.g., rural schools, power plants and industrial parks). New system guidelines are outlined in the *New Water System Capacity Assessment Manual* and the *New System Capacity Assurance Plan*. North Dakota's new system strategy was approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in September 1999. The department was granted the authority to ensure new system capacity under North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Chapter 61-28.1, Safe Drinking Water Act, by the 55th Legislative Assembly in 1997. The department provided to EPA the North Dakota Attorney General's written opinion certifying the department's authority to ensure all new CWSs/NTNCWSs commencing operation after October 1, 1999 demonstrate capacity with respect to SDWA regulations or regulations likely to be in effect on the date operation commences.

Pursuant to NDCC 61-28.1, the department adopted North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Article 33-17, Public Water Supply Systems. These regulations, originally adopted in 1977 and last amended in 2016, provide a means to implement a capacity assurance program. Based on such authority, proposed new PWSs must provide a number of assurances as part of the plans and specification approval process.

The department requires: (1) plans and specifications be submitted for review and approval prior to construction; and (2) operation not commence until a letter of approval is issued. These primary control points allow the department to ensure the capacity of new systems prior to their development. To obtain a letter of approval, the PWS must provide:

- A new water system application
- An operation plan that includes a technical, managerial and financial plan
- Plans and specifications
- A construction schedule
- Sample results for each water source
- A notice of completion
- An operation and maintenance manual (if deemed necessary by the department)

#### **Existing Systems Program**

The North Dakota Existing Water System Capacity Strategy details the steps taken to implement and maintain a capacity program. This strategy aims to help all North Dakota PWSs acquire and maintain capacity. The North Dakota strategy was approved by EPA and implemented prior to August 1, 2000. The SDWA required states to consider each of five programmatic elements in its capacity development. The department included all five elements in its existing water system capacity document and believes that together they constitute an effective strategy.

- Element A: Methods or criteria used to prioritize systems in need of technical, managerial and financial assistance
- Element B: Factors encouraging or impairing capacity development
- Element C: Description of how states will use the authority and resources of the SDWA
- Element D: Establishment of a baseline and measurement of improvements
- Element E: Identification of stakeholders

Factors encouraging and impairing capacity remain the same. Enhancements include federal funding, Division of Municipal Facilities (DMF) administration, state primacy and stakeholder involvement.

The DMF uses pertinent existing programs as a baseline to identify PWSs that lack capacity and are in danger of becoming a compliance problem. The point system developed for the existing capacity strategy utilizes SDWA compliance data, operator certification deficiencies, inspection reports, DWSRF financial audits and laboratory past-due accounts to evaluate capacity. PWSs accumulating 10 points or more and having the greatest impact on public health are prioritized beginning with the highest number. PWSs with a history of significant noncompliance (SNC) automatically receive 10 points, making them candidates for immediate assistance.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Several tools are being utilized to implement the capacity development strategy. These tools, which are discussed below, include tracking new water systems/new operators, financial and managerial planning, technical assistance, water rate studies, funding, and operator training and certification.

#### **Tracking New Water Systems/New Operators**

The DMF tracks new water systems through individuals contacting the DMF, local/district health units, existing PWSs, financial assistance contracts, engineering firms and other state agencies. The department has determined that the present method of identifying and contacting proposed systems is effective and will continue using it.

Currently, the number of new CWSs/NTNCWSs added to the North Dakota PWS inventory has been on the decrease, especially in the western part of the state, due to the large drop in oil activity. New developments (subdivisions, trailer courts, industries, etc.) generally occur adjacent to or within the service areas of existing PWSs and are typically consolidated with or

provided bulk water service by the existing PWS. A total of six requests for new water system capacity information have been received since July 1, 2014.

#### Financial and Managerial Planning

Financial and managerial training is a collaborative effort between the North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association (NDRWSA), Midwest Assistance Program (MAP), University of North Carolina Environmental Finance Center, North Dakota Department of Health and Public Finance Authority (PFA). The intent of the financial and managerial training is to provide participants with a solid understanding of the key components of financial planning including the following:

- Elements of an effective budget
- Capital improvement planning and financing
- Rate structure options for the small water system
- How to calculate capacity fees
- Process for raising fees
- Asset management
- Demonstration of financial tools

#### **Technical Assistance**

Helping water systems develop and maintain capacity is the backbone of the capacity strategy. Many water systems throughout North Dakota have increased their capacity through the technical assistance program. This program provides "targeted" assistance by focusing on specific issues or problem areas. The department collaborates with the same organizations for technical assistance as with financial and managerial planning.

#### **Water Rate Studies**

Analysis of the data collected during capacity evaluation revealed many water systems are weak in financial capacity. Assistance has been provided to help water systems evaluate their budgets and water rates. Each utility has unique needs whether they have declining populations, operating deficits, eroding infrastructure, limited funding or complex SDWA requirements. Since many small water systems are facing rate deficiencies, the technical assistance provider identifies options for rate increases or reduction of expenses or rate restructuring. The water system is provided with various methods for calculating base rate, capacity fees and connection fees. Assistance is also provided for presenting rate increase information to customers at public hearings and the governing board.

#### **Funding**

The North Dakota DWSRF provides low-interest loans to CWSs in the state to upgrade existing or construct new drinking water facilities, as was authorized by the 1996 Amendments to the SDWA. The DWSRF is jointly managed by the department and the PFA. The department receives the federal capitalization grants and is responsible for the technical and overall

administrative functions of the program. The PFA, under agreement with the department, serves as the financial agent and is responsible for reviewing and issuing bonds, reviewing the financial capability of loan applicants, investing program proceeds, handling loan repayments and conducting other necessary financial functions.

The grant funds and bond proceeds are deposited into the DWSRF and made available as low-interest loans for eligible PWS projects. As systems pay back their loans, the interest and principal payments, along with available investment earnings, are used to retire the state bonds. They are a source of funds for additional projects as well. This revolving feature of the DWSRF Program will ensure that North Dakota has funds for needed projects into the future.

The present loan interest rate for eligible PWSs that qualify for tax-exempt financing is 1.5 percent. The present loan interest rate for eligible PWSs that do not qualify for tax-exempt financing is 2.5 percent. All loans are subject to a 0.5 percent administration fee. The maximum repayment period for DWSRF loans under the SDWA is 30 years.

#### **Operator Training and Certification**

The department contracts with the North Dakota State Plumbing Board, local/district health units, and technical assistance providers such as the NDRWSA and MAP. Contracts with the State Plumbing Board and health units provide continued support to the public water supply and inspection programs. Technical assistance providers offer operator certification training. In addition, NDRWSA, MAP and the North Dakota Section of the American Water Works Association (NDAWWA) will continue to provide additional training events.

Operators have opportunities to attend annual conferences, water treatment and distribution workshops, DMF wastewater treatment and collection training sessions, field pH certification workshops, NDAWWA workshops, MAP trainings, and NDRWSA training sessions and annual exposition. In 2016, 852 operators attended training which addressed operator certification, exam training, water treatment training, financial training, distribution training, O & M training, department regulatory training and GIS/GPS training.

#### **CHALLENGES**

The experience, training and background of water system managers, operators and board members are directly linked to the capacity of a water system. Water systems led by a capable, experienced manager and supported by a competent and progressive governing board tend to have high capacity in all areas.

Despite the maturing of North Dakota's Capacity Development Program, there are still some significant areas of weakness in rural and oil-impacted areas of North Dakota. These areas of weakness derive from all three aspects of capacity.

The following are the department-identified areas of capacity weakness:

- 1. Aging workforce. There have been several published reports regarding the aging workforce in the water industry and the lack of qualified professionals to succeed those retiring.
- 2. Salaries. Due to the competition in the marketplace, small water systems typically do not offer enough money to attract experienced operators and managers. They will usually find someone less qualified who will work for a lower wage.
- 3. Stagnant or declining pool of new professionals. Educational programs that promote the water industry and adequately prepare new professionals are limited in North Dakota. The one program that is available in the state struggles to attract students. Many operators and managers learn on the job and start at the entry level with little or no formal education or preparation. Some water systems are functioning without a certified water operator or continue to use a contract operator that provides minimal local service.
- 4. Board members without utility backgrounds. Some communities struggle to find enough individuals to serve on a board. Many board members lack a fundamental understanding of water system operations, finance and management.
- 5. PWS ownership. Increasingly, public water systems are owned and/or operated by out-of-state entities. Such entities tend to be unresponsive or slow to address capacity issues.
- 6. Mail and package delivery in oil-impacted areas. Mail and package delivery to public water systems in oil-impacted areas has been problematic. Alternate, costlier delivery services are becoming increasingly necessary to ensure that correspondence and water sampling kits can be delivered within acceptable timeframes.
- 7. Laboratory impacts. Changes in EPA methodology, which requires new laboratory certifications and instrumentations, have caused a delay in the DMF normal 3-year cycle of samples. Compliance has not been affected.

#### THE WAY FORWARD

As the program grows and evolves, there have been many lessons learned. These lessons have resulted in a program that continues to improve and better serve the needs of North Dakota's water systems.

While all systems are unique, most water systems in North Dakota still need assistance with some aspects of capacity. Full-cost pricing is required for a water system to fully function as it

should. Operation and maintenance activities, such as valve exercising and routine flushing, are also important to extending the life of the infrastructure.

Proper management of infrastructure assets is one of the critical concepts for a sustainable and resilient water system. Although the concept of managing assets is relatively simple, many water utilities do not understand how to design and implement an effective asset management program. Managing a utility effectively requires a proactive approach to managing infrastructure assets. The primary objective of asset management is to manage system assets in a way that meets long-term service requirements, reliability and cost-effectiveness. Future technical assistance efforts will continue to include asset management training and assistance.

The department will continue to measure capacity improvements by monitoring new system activity and by using operator certification compliance reports, PWS inspection reports and the Enforcement Tracking Tool (ETT), which tracks each system's compliance with all SDWA rules. The department encourages a collaborative effort with stakeholders to promote safe drinking water, public health and quality of life.

Stakeholder involvement continues to be a key element in program success. DMF staff and the North Dakota Water and Pollution Control Conference (NDWPCC) offer annual operator training sessions to help PWSs achieve and maintain capacity. The NDWPCC also jointly sponsors an annual conference with the North Dakota Water Environment Association, NDAWWA, the North American Storm Water and Erosion Control Association, and the North Dakota Chapter of the American Public Works Association. The NDRWSA, MAP, and the North Dakota Environmental Health Association also provide annual training sessions, conferences and expositions.

The department continues to contract with the North Dakota State Plumbing Board, local/district health units, and technical assistance providers such as MAP and NDRWSA. These contracts provide support to the public water supply, facility inspections, sanitary survey follow-up visits, capacity development and operator certification programs. The department will continue to grant follow-up contracts for these assistance programs to ensure the safety of North Dakota's drinking water.

To further promote stakeholder involvement, the *Capacity Development Report to the Governor* and the *FY17 Capacity Development Program Report* will be published in the *Official Bulletin*, the official publication of the NDWPCC. The *Capacity Development Report to the Governor*, *New Water System Capacity Assessment Manual* and *North Dakota Existing Water System Capacity Strategy* are available on the department website at: <a href="http://www.ndhealth.gov/MF/">http://www.ndhealth.gov/MF/</a>.

All reporting requirements have been met for fiscal years 2014-2017. Contracts for technical assistance have been renewed, and a proposal for follow-up assistance in 2018 is anticipated.

The department will continue to monitor existing systems, while providing consultation, training and financial recommendations. Implementation of new SDWA regulations affecting capacity

will be evaluated as needed. Any modifications resulting from these regulations will be detailed in future reports. Currently, 97 percent of all PWSs meet all health-based drinking water standards by utilizing treatment and source water protection. This is above the EPA goal of 90 percent. In addition, 100 percent of all PWSs have undergone a sanitary survey in the past three years, well above the 75 percent target.

"Water system capacity is the ability to plan for, achieve and maintain compliance with applicable drinking water standards. Capacity has three components: technical, managerial and financial. Adequate capacity in all three areas is necessary for a system to have capacity."



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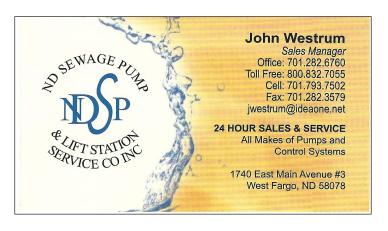
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Mr. Charlie Vein ND Section of AWWA 918 East Divide Ave 3 Flr Bismark, ND 58501

Dear Mr. Vein.

Please convey our gratitude to AWWA ND for their generous contribution of \$7,680.00 enabling the critical work of reaching Everyone with water and sanitation that lasts Forever.

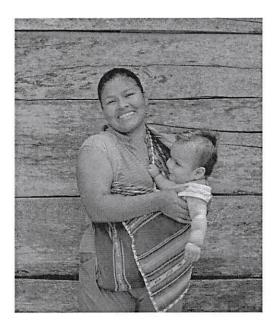
Reaching Everyone Forever truly takes all of us, and through your support of Water For People, you are part of this mission. You are One of Everyone! You are powering progress toward sustainable water and sanitation around the world. You can read stories about lives that are being changed at waterforpeople.org/oneofeveryone.

People like Isidora in Bolivia are acutely aware of the impact of your support. Isidora is a single mother of three boys. Every day, she works hard in the soybean fields around her community to provide for her sons. Adding to the burdens she faces was having to spend an hour and a half each day walking for water. A year ago, Isidora got a water tap installed at her home, and now this busy mother of three has one less thing to worry about for her family.

In Isidora's district of San Pedro, every family, clinic, and school has reliable water services - together, we have reached Everyone!

"Water is a part of life, and without it we can't live," Isidora says. "Now we are more at peace."

Thank you for your investment in making sure Everyone has access to water for generations to come. You support is changing lives like Isidora's around the world.



With gratitude,

Eleanor Allen Chief Executive Officer Thank you, Charlie, and NO AUWA!

This letter serves as a receipt for your gift of \$7,680.00 that you made on 12/20/2017. Water For People is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and did not provide you with any goods or services in exchange for your gift.

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**2018--Grand Forks,** October 16, 17, and 18 Alerus Center

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## 2017 Summer and Conference Testing/Operators Pass Certification Exams

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Bangert Jr, Leeroy	Mapleton City of	Wastewater Collection 01
Bartholomew, Zachary	Grand Forks City of	Water Treatment 03
Benz, Justin	Beulah City of	Water Treatment 03
Blancett, Chris	Ray City of	Water Distribution 1A
Bruinekool, Mark	Williston City of	Water Distribution 01
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Cimino, Rob	Minot City of	Water Distribution 01
Contreras, Fernando D	Grand Forks City of	Water Distribution 04
Corey, Kevin	Dakota Rural Water District South	Water Treatment 02
David, Charles	Grand Forks City of	Water Distribution 02
Eaton, John	Traill Rural Water District	Water Treatment 02
Fogel, Jon	Fargo City of	Water Distribution 02
Froelich, Joe	Southwest Water Authority	Water Treatment 03
Gee, Steven	Fargo City of	Wastewater Collection 04
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Hart, Scott	Western Area Water Supply Authority	Water Distribution 1A
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Kasian, Michael	Southwest Water Authority	Water Treatment 01
Knudson, Andrew	Grand Forks City of	Wastewater Collection 02
Koch, Brett	Beulah City of	Water Distribution 1A
Kuehn, Paul	Cass Rural Water District Fargo	Water Distribution 01
Lamont, Tyler	Fargo City of (WWT)	Wastewater Collection 01
Larson, Dustin	Larimore City of	Water Distribution 1A
Lick, Wade	West Fargo City of	Wastewater Collection 02
Martinson, Steve	Greater Ramsey Water District	Water Treatment 03
Mathison, Brian	Walhalla City of	Water Distribution 01
		Wastewater Collection 01
Miller, Dan	Carrington City of	Water Treatment 01
Nehring, Kelsy	Williston City of	Wastewater Treatment 01
Newland, Bobby	Grand Forks City of	Wastewater Collection 03
Ott, Lucas	Cass Rural Water District Fargo	Water Treatment 03
Otten, Mitch	Carrington City of	Water Distribution 01
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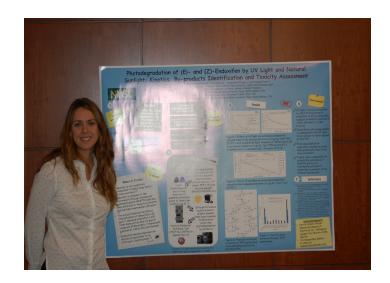




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## **2016 Conference Photos**

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- Weekly Letter -

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**TO:** Section Directors, Chairs,

Chairs-Elect, Vice Chairs, Past Chairs, Secretary-Treasurers, Assistant Secretaries, Treasurers, Trustees & Section Staff

**CC:** Executive Committee,

Directors-at-Large,

Membership Engagement & Development &

Applicable Association

Staff

FROM: Julia Georgia, Section

Services Coordinator on behalf of Nancy Sullivan,

Manager – Section

**Services** 

DATE: November 30, 2017

**RE:** Weekly Communication

## FEATURED THIS WEEK

## **NEW**

- · Helping Water Heroes Fundraising
- Register for the International Symposia on Potable Reuse and Biological Treatment
- \$7,406 raised for Water Equation / NDSU wins \$200 from #WEGives contest
- Sections should utilize their AWWA Bookstore Allotments before it's too late!

## **REMINDERS**

- Save the Date: 2018 Membership Summit January 24-26
- Registration is Open for the 2018 YP Leadership Training and YP Summit – February 19-20!
- UCMR 4 Deadlines Approaching Info to Assist Utilities on DrinkTap

## **NEW**



**Action Required/Requested:** Informational

Additional Interested / Affected Section Positions: Leadership Volunteers & Staff

Respond To: If questions, contact your Section Relationship
Manager

**Respond By: N/A** 

#### **Action Required/Requested:**

Action – Distribute to Section members to remind them to register before early deadline of December 8.

Additional Interested / Affected Section Positions: Leadership Volunteers & Staff

Respond To: If questions, contact Megan MacKenzie – Meeting Specialist

Respond By: Early registration deadline is December 8, 2017.

## Action Required/Requested Participation

Additional Interested / Affected Section Positions: Leadership Volunteers, Philanthropy Committee Chairs & Staff

Respond To: If questions, contact Michelle Hektor – Sr. Manager of Development & Donor Relations

Respond By: N/A

## **Helping Water Heroes Fundraising**

Thank you to the many that have purchased the t-shirts and have made donations to support emergency relief efforts of Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. To date, \$10,590 has been raised.

Going forward, funds from t-shirt sales and donations will be used to assist emergency efforts in Puerto Rico. AWWA invites all members to continue to support Puerto Rico in its rebuilding efforts.

If you, your Section or others would like to donate funds to Puerto Rico – we recommend the following ways:

- <u>AWWA's website</u>. You can either buy a t-shirt or donate monies. These donations are tax deductible.
- Puerto Rico AWWA has set up a <u>GoFundMe account</u>. These donations are not tax-exempt.

# Register for the International Symposia on Potable Reuse and Biological Treatment

Join AWWA for a ground breaking four-day joint Symposia on Potable Reuse and Biological Treatment in Austin, Texas, January 22 - 25. Come experience the Opening Plenary Session "Fifty Years of Pipe-to-Pipe Direct Potable Reuse" representatives from Namibia, South Africa will discuss the successes of the Windhoek Goreangab Operating Company's facility.

The AT&T Hotel and Conference Center at 244 W 20th St. in Austin, Texas will host the event. AWWA has negotiated a group room block rate of \$214/night plus taxes. Includes in-room internet. Available until January 5th, or when the block fills, whichever happens first. The conference center and hotel sit on University of Texas at Austin's campus.

View the attached promotional documents for more information on hot topic sessions, more details, and a direct link to register. Sign up for both symposiums for only an additional \$100.

## \$7,406 raised for Water Equation

AWWA members showed support of the philanthropy on Giving Tuesday by raising 148% of its goal. The PA AWWA Section contributed \$1,000 from its Clay Shoot and the Florida AWWA Section donated \$500 in honor of the visit by AWWA Past-President Jeanne Bennett-Bailey. Water Equation funds One AWWA Operator Scholarships, Academic Scholarships, Students & Young Professional programming, and the Community Engineering Corps.

## NDSU wins \$200 from #WEGives contest

The North Dakota State University student chapter registered for the Giving Tuesday contest and posted pictures on social media to support AWWA's Water Equation. As a result, the chapter will receive \$200 to use for a chapter event! CEO David LaFrance sponsored this contest for students through his Giving Tuesday gift. Congrats to NDSU!

## **AWWA NDSU Student Chapter Wins Social Media Competition**

NDSU AWWA/WEF President encourages you to support AWWA's Water Equation! Which helps fund the future of water. Learn more on which areas you can support by clicking on this link: <a href="https://www.awwa.org/donate.aspx">https://www.awwa.org/donate.aspx</a> Share to help spread the word! #WeGives #GivingTuesday

Help us Fund the Future of Water by donating to AWWA's Water Equation! To learn more on where you can donate and what it goes to, go to this link: <a href="https://www.awwa.org/donate.aspx">https://www.awwa.org/donate.aspx</a>
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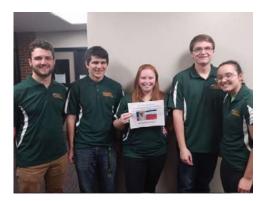
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Even Grad Students are part of the Future of Water by the research they do. Help fundraise AWWA's Water Equation so they can Fund the Future of Water. Learn more about which area you can donate to by clicking on this link:

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## Ribbon Cutting: Cass Rural Water District Reservoir E Water Treatment Plant Facility Expansion

This DWSRF project consisted of expanding the existing WTP to increase capacity from 600 gallons per minute (gpm) to 1600 gpm in order to provide additional water to Cass Rural Water Users District. The work included expansion of the existing Reservoir "E" WTP building including all associated civil site work and structural, mechanical, and electrical system improvements. The project included expansion of the backwash sludge pond for accepting discharge for pressure backwash processes. The project also expanded the existing well field by constructing seven new ground water wells and associated well field and WTP pipelines and appurtanances. Sequencing of construction activities were required to ensure the existing WTP continued to be fully operational during the entire construction process.



From left to right, Jon Zuther – Cass Rural Water District Chairmen, Gary Lee – State Senator District 22, Chuck Abel – DWSRF Environmental Engineer and Bryan Ziegler P.E. – Project Engineer Bartlett & West.

Drinking Water Pro	ogram Directory	
Program Administrator	Greg Wavra	701-328-5257
Acrylamide and Epichlorohydrin Rule	Rondal Joe Lydon	701-328-5221
Arsenic Rule	Amy Kinzler	701-328-5221
Consumer Confidence Reports	LeeAnn Tillotson	701-328-5293
Disinfectant/Disinfection Byproducts Rule (TTHM, HAA5) Stage 1 and Stage 2 Rule	Tammy Lamphear	701-328-5295
Electronic Reporting Information System (ERIS)	Barrett Brown	701-328-5209
Filter and Backwash Recycle Rule	Rondal Joe Lydon	701-328-5221
Fluoride Addition	Stacey Herreid	701-328-5287
Groundwater Rule	Rondal Joe Lydon	701-328-5221
Inspections: Northeast	Gregg Stewart	701-328-6621
Inspections: Northwest	Mike Trythall	701-328-5269
Inspections: East	Jacob Schafer	701-328-6375
Inspections: South Central	Bob Markhouse	701-328-6623
Lead and Copper Rule	Amy Kinzler	701-328-5258
Surface Water Treatment Rule: Interim Enhanced, Long Term 1 Enhanced, Long Term 2 Enhanced	Mike Trythall	701-328-5269
Microscopic Particulate Analysis (MPA)	Rondal Joe Lydon	701-328-5221
Nitrate/Nitrite Program	Amy Kinzler	701-328-5258
Operator Certification	Craig Bartholomay	701-328-6626
Operator Expense Reimbursement/Public Notice Rule	LeeAnn Tillotson	701-328-5293
Operator Training	Shawn Heinle	701-328-6627
Pesticides (SOCs)	Mike Trythall	701-328-5269
Primary and Secondary Inorganics	Rondal Joe Lydon	701-328-5221
Public Water System Updates (changes to source, treatment, contact, etc.)	Tammy Lamphear	701-328-5295
Radionuclide Rule: Gross Alpha, Total Radium, Uranium	Stacey Herreid	701-328-5287
Total Coliform Rule Revised Total Coliform Rule	Jeni Walsh Josh Seerup	701-328-5231 701-328-5257
Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring	LeeAnn Tillotson	701-328-5293
Volatile Organic Chemicals (VOCs)	Mike Trythall	701-328-5269
Central Phone: 701-328-5211 Fax: 701-328-5200		

North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program Directory			
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Biosolids	Sarah Waldron-Feld	701-328-5234	
Construction/Industrial Stormwater	Dallas Grossman Duane Sandvick Bill Giuliani Samantha Swanberg	701-328-5242 701-328-5260 701-328-5285 701-328-52839	
Dewatering and Hydrostatic Testing	Sarah Waldron-Feld	701-328-5237	
Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs)	All Staff	701-328-5210	
DMR Quality Assurance (QA) Study	Marty Haroldson	701-328-5234	
Industrial Pretreatment	Jeff Roerick Duane Sandvick	701-328-5240 701-328-5260	
Inspections	All Staff	701-328-5210	
Lagoon Overflows/Releases/Spills	All Staff	701-328-5210	
MS4 Stormwater	Dallas Grossman Duane Sandvick	701-328-5242 701-328-5260	
Public Notices/NDPDES Permits	All Staff	701-328-5210	
Septic Pumper	Sarah Waldron-Feld Sarah Starr	701-328-5237 701-328-5215	
Wastewater Discharge Reviews	All Staff	701-328-5210	
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