



# GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS SEMINAR

Thursday, February 16, 2023

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center – 625 Rolling Meadows Dr, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

## WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

This seminar provides municipal officials, treatment plant operators, consultants, and government employees with an overview and update of current issues facing permitted dischargers in Wisconsin. Coverage on a wide array of environmental issues is presented by recognized experts within the water-quality field.

## GENERAL SEMINAR INFORMATION

**Fee:** \$80.00 Pre-Registration ends on 02/12/2023  
\$100.00 Day of Seminar  
(Both fees include program materials, breaks, and lunch)

**Pay and Register On-Line By 02/12/2023:** <https://cswea.wufoo.com/forms/2023-wi-government-affairs-seminar/>

**Same Day Registration:** Begins on site at 7:30 AM

**Credits:** **WDNR CEU** - 6.3 hrs Wastewater; 3.3 hrs Municipal Waterworks **PDH** - Available upon request.

**Lodging:** Each registrant is responsible for their own hotel reservations. Make your reservations as soon as possible for the best rates. Radisson Hotel 920-923-1440 **HOTEL BLOCK CODE:** Government Affairs Seminar

## COMMITTEE

- Ben Brooks, Superintendent, Wausau WWTF
- Brent Brown, P.E., Project Manager, Jacobs Engineering
- Brett Bevers, P.E., Regional Sales Mgr, Centrisys
- Lisa Creegan, Wastewater Specialist, WDNR
- Sam Hocevar, P.E., Project Engineer, Strand Associates
- Jennifer Jerich, Wastewater Specialist, WDNR
- Kathy Lake, P.E., Pollution Prevention Mgr, MadisonMSD
- Nick Lent, Wastewater Engineer, WDNR
- Cody Schoepke, Superintendent, Fond du Lac WTRRF
- Jeff Smudde, Dir. Environmental Programs, NEW Water
- Sharon Thieszen, Field Services Manager, NEW Water
- Chris Tippery, P.E., Senior Project Manager, raSmith
- Vanessa Wishart, Attorney, Stafford Rosenbaum LLP

## SPEAKERS

- Kay Christiansen, WDNR
- Matt Claucherty, WDNR
- Susan Coyle, Milwaukee MSD
- Jerry Deschane, League of WI Municipalities
- Laura Dietrich, WDNR
- Richard Douglas, WDNR
- Amy Garbe, WDNR
- Ben Heidemann, Town & Country Engineering
- John Katers, UW Green Bay
- Jason Knutson, WDNR
- Kristi Minahan, WDNR
- Matt Seib, Madison MSD
- Becky Scott, WDNR
- Adrian Stocks, WDNR
- Nadia Vogt, Milwaukee MSD
- Vanessa Wishart, MEG Wastewater



**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023**

**8:00 Welcome / Opening Remarks**  
Nick Lent, WDNR

**Keynote**

**Moderator: Jeff Smudde**

**8:10 50 Years of the Clean Water Act: Looking Back and Going Forward**  
Adrian Stocks, WDNR  
John Katers, UWGB

**Resiliency Planning and Risk Assessment**

**Moderator: Brent Brown**

**8:50 How Utilities Are Adapting their Planning and Design Approaches for Climate Change**  
Nadia Vogt, Milwaukee MSD - Facilitator  
Susan Coyle, Milwaukee MSD  
Matt Seib, Madison MSD

**10:00 Break (15 minutes)**

**Pretreatment Authority**

**Moderator: Vanessa Wishart**

**10:15 Strategies for POTWs**  
Richard Douglas, WDNR  
Ben Heidemann, Town & Country Engineering

**PFAS**

**Moderator: Sharon Theisen**

**10:55 PFAS Rules and Implementation Update**  
Vanessa Wishart, MEG Wastewater  
Laura Dietrich, WDNR  
Amy Garbe, WDNR

**12:00 Lunch**

**Wisconsin Legislative and National Funding Updates**

**Moderator: Chris Tippery**

**1:10 Municipal Legislative Update**  
Jerry Deschane, League of WI Municipalities

**1:45 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funding**  
Becky Scott, WDNR  
Kay Christiansen, WDNR

**2:20 Break (15 minutes)**

**Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Updates**

**Moderator: Jennifer Jerich**

**2:35 Phosphorus Implementation and Compliance Updates and Case Study**  
Matt Claucherty, WDNR  
Permittee, TBD

**3:20 DNR Update and Awards**  
Jason Knutson, WDNR  
Adrian Stocks, WDNR

**4:00 Closing Remarks / Seminar Adjourns**  
Nick Lent, WDNR

**QUESTIONS?**

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