



2005 NATIONAL CLEAN WATER POLICY FORUM

May 3-4, 2005
Marriott Metro Center
Washington, DC

(Program Current to 5/1/2005)

All speakers are from Washington, DC unless otherwise indicated.

* - Denotes Confirmed Speakers

Tuesday, May 3

Morning

8:00 - 4:00

Grand Ballroom Foyer

Registration

9:00 - 12:00

Salons A&B

POLICY FORUM GENERAL SESSION I

Opening/Welcoming Remarks

Donnie Wheeler*

NACWA President (2005-2006)

General Manager

Hampton Roads Sanitation District

Virginia Beach, VA

Lynn Orphan*

WEF President (2004-2005)

Senior Engineer

Kennedy/Jenks Consultants

Reno, NV

Keynote Speaker

EPA's Clean Water Priorities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is working on many initiatives that affect the daily operations of publicly owned treatment works.

EPA's Acting Administrator will provide the "macro" view of the Agency's priorities and the impacts the clean water community of the Fiscal Year 2006 EPA budget.

Benjamin Grumbles*
Assistant Administrator
Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Featured Presentation

The Nation's Regulatory Outlook . . . EPA's Perspective

High ranking officials of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will provide an overview of clean water programs affecting the nation's public wastewater utilities. Hear the latest from the Assistant Administrator of Water, as well as the Directors of the Office of Wastewater, Office of Wetlands, Oceans & Watersheds, and the Office of Science & Technology.

Introduction/Moderator:

Sandra Ralston*
Vice Chair, WEF Government Affairs Committee
Associate
Red Oak Consulting, SC

Panelists:

James Hanlon*
Director
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Craig Hooks*
Deputy Director
Office of Wetlands, Oceans & Watersheds
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Pamela Barr*
Deputy Director
Office of Science & Technology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Cynthia Dougherty*
Director
Office of Ground and Drinking Water
U.S., Environmental Protection Agency

Walker Smith*

Director
Office of Civil Enforcement
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Closing Remarks/Announcements

Donnie Wheeler*
NACWA President (2005-2006)

Afternoon

12:00-2:00

Salons CDE

Luncheon

Voicing the Clean Water Message in Congress

The Honorable Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-NJ) understands the critical needs the nation's water infrastructure currently faces. Rep. Pascrell also understands that municipal leaders and the average citizen need to raise clean water concerns more frequently and more effectively with their federal officials. As a senior member of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, Rep. Pascrell will discuss not only the Committee's initiatives but how to maximize the potential for their successful legislative passage.

Featured Speaker:

The Honorable Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-NJ)*
NACWA 2005 National Environmental Achievement Award Honoree
Member, Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

2:00 –5:00

Salons A&B

POLICY FORUM GENERAL SESSION II

Opening Remarks/Announcements

Lynn Orphan*
WEF President (2004-2005)

Roundtable Discussion

Legislative Policy & Clean Water Utilities

The Senate Environment & Public Works Committee and the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee set the legislative priorities for clean water issues in Congress. The Appropriations Committees in the House and Senate set spending priorities that determine whether programs ultimately receive funding to implement key clean water programs. Two legislative panels, one focusing on the authorization of, and the other the appropriations process for, clean water projects will help shed light on the 109th Congress's clean water agenda.

Introductions/Moderators:

Christopher Westhoff*
Chair, NACWA Legislative Policy Committee (2004-2005)
Assistant City Attorney – Public Works General Counsel
City of Los Angeles, CA

Edward Wagner*
Chair, WEF Legislative Subcommittee
Vice President
CH2M HILL, NY

Speakers:

Wet Weather Grants Reauthorization

Christine Plumer*
Staff Director
Fisheries, Wildlife and Water Subcommittee
Environmental and Public Works Committee
U.S. Senate

New Oceans Legislation

Margaret Spring*
Democratic Senior Counsel
Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee

Clean Water Act Issues

Michelle Nellenbach*
Professional Staff Member – Majority
Environment & Public Works Committee
U.S. Senate

Catharine Ransom*

Professional Staff Member – Minority
Environment & Public Works Committee
U.S. Senate

Jonathan R. Pawlow*

Counsel
Majority Staff Director
Water Resources & Environment Subcommittee
Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

Kenneth J. Kopocis*

Minority Staff Director
Water Resources & Environment Subcommittee
Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

Address

Clean Water Research Priorities for the 109th Congress

Introduction:

Steven Wordelman*
Chair, WEF Government Affairs Committee

President
Jones & Henry Engineers, Inc., OH

Speaker:

Claudia Copeland*
Specialist in Resource & Environmental Policy
Congressional Research Service
Resources, Science & Industry Division

Keynote Address

The Political Landscape of the 109th Congress

Introduction:

Suzanne Goss*
Vice Chair, NACWA Clean Water Funding Task Force
Specialist, Government Relations
JEA (Electric, Water & Sewer)
Jacksonville, FL

Speaker:

Charles Cook*
Author, *The Cook Political Report*

Closing Remarks/Announcements

Donnie Wheeler*
NACWA President (2005-2006)

Evening

6:00-7:30

Capitol Hill Center
101 Constitution Avenue

Capitol Hill Reception

Featured Guests:

The Honorable John J. Duncan (R-TN)*
NACWA 2005 National Environmental Achievement Award Honoree
Chair, Water Resources & Environment Subcommittee
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable David Camp (R-MI)*
NACWA 2005 National Environmental Achievement Award Honoree
Chair, Select Revenue Measures Subcommittee
U.S. House of Representatives

Wednesday, May 4

Morning

8:00-10:00

Salons A&B

POLICY FORUM GENERAL SESSION III

Farewell Breakfast & Technical Roundtables

Don't miss this Policy Forum favorite! Program representatives from EPA and the U.S. Geological Survey will be on hand for technical discussions of

the clean water community's priority issues. Register for the table of your choice at the registration desk at the Policy Forum.

Welcoming Remarks

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WEF President (2004-2005)

Donnie Wheeler*
NACWA President (2005-2006)

Opening Remarks

James Hanlon*
Director
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Farewell Breakfast & Technical Roundtables

Asset Management & EMSs
Steve Allbee*
Project Director, Gap Analysis
Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Jim Horne*
Special Assistant
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Biosolids Management
Robert Cantilli*
Biosolids Regulation Coordinator
Office of Science & Technology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Richard R. Stevens*
Environmental Protection Specialist
Office of Science & Technology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Permitting Issues
Linda Boornazian*
Director, Water Permits Division
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Pretreatment Issues
Jan Marie Pickrel*

National Pretreatment Team Coordinator
Water Permits Division
Office of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Wastewater Infrastructure Security

Debbie N. Newberry*
Chief, Security Assistance Branch
Water Security Division
Office of Ground and Drinking Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Water Quality Standards/UAA's

Denise Keehner*
Director
Standards & Health Protection Division
Office of Science & Technology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Wet Weather

Kevin Weiss
SSO Program Manager
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Joel Wolf*
Environmental Protection Specialist
Office of Wastewater Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Mercury

Jim Pendergast*
Chief, Health Protection and Modeling Branch
Standards and Health Protection Division
Office of Science & Technology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Water Quality Monitoring

Donna Myers*
Chief
National Water Quality Assessment Program
U.S. Geological Survey

Peter Grevatt*
Chief, Monitoring Branch
Assessment and Watershed Protection Division
Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Adjourn

10:30 - 12:00
Salons C&D

WEF Government Affairs Committee Meeting

Afternoon

12:00 – 4:00

Capitol Hill Visits/EPA Meetings

1:00 - 4:00
Salon E

National Biosolids Partnership (NBP) Steering Committee Meeting