

Steve M. Clouse

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Steve Clouse has been employed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for 26 years and is currently the Senior Vice President & Chief Operating Officer. He is responsible for wastewater treatment for more than 1 million people in the ninth largest city in the nation, overseeing: the management, planning and financial activities for water recycling centers; a water storage and treatment facility; a water recycling program; a sewer collection system odor control program; and The Mitchell Lake Audubon Center.

Mr. Clouse has a current staff of more than 800 members, an annual Operations & Maintenance (O & M) budget of \$243.9 million after capitalization.

During his career Clouse has held the positions of: Operations Engineer; Operations Manager; Operations Director; Technical Services Director; and Maintenance Director.

Mr. Clouse has held key roles in the development and construction of the largest direct recycle system, and second largest Aquifer Storage and Recovery systems in the nation. Under his leadership, SAWS Treatment Group has been recognized with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 2004 *O & M Excellence Award*, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) *Silver, Gold and Platinum Peak Performance Awards*, the Water Environment Federation (WEF) *Outstanding Achievement in Water Quality*, and the NACWA *Excellence in Management Recognition Award*.

Mr. Clouse has a BS in Aquatic Biology from Texas State University, a MPA from Webster University and an “A” level Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification and Registered Environmental Manager Certification.