#### **SPEAKER**

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### SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Keith began his working career in the timber industry. He held many positions in this field including; pulling green chain in a lumber mill, hi-lead logging, cat and skidder logging, timber falling, tree planting and controlled burns.

In 1991 Keith decided to go to college and received his Associates Degree in Water/Wastewater technology from Linn Benton Community College in 1993. At this time he and his family headed east to Central Oregon, ending up in the Redmond area.

Keith began his Water/Wastewater career at a small private utility in Bend, he soon moved on to employment with a small city in the area. Keith was hired as a Utility Worker I, doing everything from working in the ditch laying water and sewer pipe to operating the equipment for excavation. During his time with the city he moved up the city ladder to Wastewater Department Supervisor and eventually to Utilities Supervisor; overseeing the water, sewer and storm water departments.

Keith comes to OAWU after retiring from his city career. He is eager to begin this new adventure with the OAWU team and share his knowledge with other team members.

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**SPEAKER** 

Scott Berry

OAWU Circuit Rider

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS

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Scott Berry has been employed by the Oregon Association of Water Utilities since 2004 as a Training Specialist, Circuit Rider/Programs Manager. In this capacity, Scott was tasked with providing training and technical assistance to many utilities in Oregon. Scott has additional experience as the Manager of Luckiamute Domestic Water Cooperative. LDWC is a geographically large system with a distribution area of over 265 square miles. He worked as an operator in Iraq where he provided the U.S. military bases as well as native towns and villages with much the same service as provided by OAWU. In Iraq he gained experience as a Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Plant Operator as well as troubleshooting, maintaining, and installing water distribution systems. Additionally, Scott has been involved and trained with the local Fire Department and County Sheriff's office in all aspects involving emergencies and hazardous operations.

Scott Berry via email Signature on file.

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SPEAKER CREDENTLALS (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc)

Jason is a seasoned professional in the water, wastewater, and construction industries. He holds both an AA in Wastewater Technology and an AA in Water Technology from Palomar College. He holds multiple state certifications in both water and wastewater. He is currently working towards his dual bachelor's degrees in business and engineering at Oregon State. Jason feels that with his multifaceted experiences and skill set he will be able to offer insight from many angles. His comprehensive approach brings a dedication to improvement, efficiency, safety and adherence to state regulation and guidelines which he hopes will be a great asset and resource for OAWU and its members.

Name: Mike Collier

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Mike Collier grew up in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada which fostered a fondness for both sports and the outdoors. He attended Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo graduating in 2004 with double majors in Forestry and Natural Resource Management and in Environmental Management and Protection.

After graduating, Mike went on to become an ISA certified Arborist while working for Davey Resource Group. In 2006 he decided to go back to school to learn more about water resources. He graduated from Oregon State University in 2008 with a Masters in Water Resource Engineering and a Minor in Civil Engineering. Two days after he turned in his thesis he married his wife Rachelle and two weeks later they ran the Chicago Marathon together. For the next year Mike worked as a research assistant for the Oregon State University.

In December of 2009 Mike joined OAWU as a Source Water Specialist. In March of 2011 Mike and Rachelle had their first child, Erin Elizabeth. In May of 2013 they had their second child, Joseph William, and in December 2015 they had their third child, Adam Douglas. Mike has bounced around to different positions in the association over the years (Training Specialist, Water System Operator, etc.) and is now back in the Source Water Specialist position and has recently become the association's Deputy Director.

In his personal time Mike enjoys time with his family and friends. You can find him playing softball, football, disc golf, ultimate Frisbee, mountain biking, or taking hikes. He also enjoys working at his church.

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)
OAWU Executive Director - Jason has over 20 years in the water/wastewater profession and is dual certified. He has been employed with OAWU since 1996 as a Circuit Rider, Training Specialist and since 1998 as Executive Director. Prior to 1996, he served on the OAWU Board of Directors for 10 years and has served on the DWAC and various positions with AWWA subsections. He has instructed many classes and certification reviews and has spoken at conferences over the last 27 years on various topics.  Date
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### SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Monty has been a resident of lebanon his entire life. He spent his early years playing baseball, golf and racquetball as well as fishing and hunting. His hobbies now are mainly fishing and hunting occasionally as well as weekly cornhole tournaments.

He began working at the age of 14 at the local grocery store until he was 19. He worked for 12 years at Entek as an operator and 9 years at the Halsey paper mill as an operator. He got his first taste of treatment working in secondary fiber department and it was something that if he had the chance to do professionally, he would pursue.

In 2015, the paper mill had a layoff and moved him to another department or allowed him to take advantage of the layoff and pursue the WET program at LBCC under the Trade Act. With the support of his wife and daughter, he graduated in 2017 and had his first job working a small conventional plant in Sweet Home for the next 1½ years. He moved on to working an SBR plant in Stayton for another 1½ years then to The City of Lebanon as an operator and later, the Lead operator and AIC(acting in charge) for last 3 months.

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#### SPEAKER CREDENTIALS

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It seems that I have been in the water industry since the first time I jumped in the Santiam River to clean an irrigation pump intake as a 13-year-old pipe mover. After serving in the United States Marine Corps, I worked on a paper machine in Halsey, operating a Save-All water reclamation system. I supervised the wastewater treatment plant in a large nickel-plating facility in Knoxville, Tennessee. Moving back to Oregon, I was the lead operator of an ultra-pure water treatment system, which included RO and ion-exchange, for an airline component manufacturer in Tualatin. I was hired away from the "Dark Side" by the City of Albany's Water Pollution Source Control Team, enforcing the Federal Clean Water Act at the municipal level. As the Water Quality/Water Resources Manager for Young Life's Washington Family Ranch, I worked as part of a team restoring and upgrading the dilapidated former Rancho Rajneesh, bringing drinking water systems, wastewater systems, and water rights into compliance with State of Oregon regulatory agencies. I also provided field utility construction supervision for multiple Young Life construction campaigns. Most recently, and prior to my service with the OAWU team, I was a superintendent for a heavy civil construction firm, supervising public and private utility installations for multiple projects in Central Oregon.

#### **SPEAKER**

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#### SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Hans has been in the water and wastewater industry since 1994. Hans started his career working for a small system of 540 connections as a laborer. He worked his way through the ranks to Public Works Supervisor. Hans is certified as a Water Collections I, Water Distribution I, Wastewater Collections II, Wastewater Treatment II and a Backflow Specialist.

Hans started his adventure with OAWU in December of 2009 as a Water Circuit Rider. He looks forward to serving and helping systems throughout the State of Oregon. Working for the most proactive company in the State, using the latest technology and training tools, has given Hans the drive and desire to better himself and fellow constituents in the industry.

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Other

Name of Speaker: Tim Tice Oregon Association of Water Utilities Employer: Phone: 503-837-1212 Email: ttice@oawu.net Education and experience is with industrial hazardous materials and waste, dealing with aspects of environmental and employee protection through regulations and training. Currently employed with Oregon Association of Water Utilities since 2000; working with water systems in providing drinking water protection plans, which include contingency planning and emergency response planning. Training water systems since 2000 has focused on confined space, lock-out tag-out procedures, hazardous materials handling and source water protection. As projects manager, working with water systems in providing rate studies, conservation and management plans, operation and maintenance manuals as well as written safety programs. Tim Tice, via email 01-11-2017 Signature Date Audio visual needs Overhead Projector Slide Projector PowerPoint Projector Screen **TV/VCR** Flip Charts Dry Erase Board 

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### SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY

Sam started in the water industry in 2015 with most of his work in wastewater and distribution. He has had a wide range of experience from installing septic tanks to installing water meters and troubleshooting plants. Sam has a degree from LBCC in Water/Wastewater technology and a degree in Firearms technology from the Sonoran Desert institute.

Prior to his work in the water field Sam spent 16.5 years in the US Navy as a Chief Hospital Corpsman (medic). During this time, he traveled to over 10 countries and has had lots of great experiences. Sam also spent six years with a small fire department and worked on an ambulance.