

Track Descriptions

- TRACK A Supervision & Leadership
- TRACK B Water Operations
- TRACK C Water Quality & Treatment

DAY ONE		Tuesday, July 15, 2025		
8:30 AM		Campus Opens		
		Welcome and introductions Housekeeping, What to Expect, Certification Process, and More.		
1		Get Inspired: Create a plan for personal and organizational success		
		Wade Hathhorn		
	9:00-10:00am	Sunrise Water Authority		
		TRACK A: Supervision & Leadership	Track B: Water Operations	Track C: Water Quality & Treatment
2	10:20-11:20am	Increasing Data Quality, Defensibility, and Confidence Through Utilization of a Field Sampling and Measurement Organization Quality System	Water system surveys and deficiencies in Oregon	Intermediate Ozone Treatment
		Thomas Krause, Environmental Specialist/Water Quality	Keith Male, PE	Kim Reid
		City of Portland	Oregon Health Authority -Public Health Division - Drinking Water Services	Veolia
3	11:25-12:25pm	How to Lead Before you Manage & Leading Local Government into 2030 - Water Utilities	Regulation Update	Corrosion Control - The Road Less Travelled
		Ryan Webb, P.E.	Kari Salis, PE	Evan Hofeld, Regional Engineer
		The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	OHA Drinking Water Serices	Oregon Health Authority - Public Health Division - Drinking Water
	12:30-1:00 PM	LUNCH		
4	1:10-2:10pm	Applying the New Effective Utility Management Framework to Your Utility	Pipes, how boring can that be	Treatment Optimization - Preparing fo the Worst
		Mike Grimm, General Manager	David Jacob PE	Evan Hofeld, Regional Engineer
		West Slope Water District	Hydra Engineering	Oregon Health Authority - Public Health Division - Drinking Water
5	2:15-3:15pm	CASCADE ALLIANCE GROUNDWATER PROTECTION PROGRAM PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE ALL THE DIRTY LITTLE DETAILS	A tree falls in the forest	MODIFIED TRACER TESTING METHODOLOGY FOR LONG DETENTION TIMES
		Clay Walker, Groundwater Protection Program	David Jacob PE	Andrew Nishihara
		City of Gresham	Hydra Engineering	Stantec
6	3:30-4:30pm	Communicating with Engineers - Getting Non Communicators to Understand Each Other	Why do utilities implement Smart Metering Systems?	PFAS 101 - Treatment history, current state of technologies and analyses, and next steps
		Mike Grimm, General Manager	Matt Zellers	Andrew Nishihara
		West Slop Water District	Territory Manager at Mueller	Stantec

DAY TWO		Wednesday, July 16, 2025		
7:30 AM		Campus Opens		
		Welcome and introductions Housekeeping, What to Expect, Certification Process, and More.		
7	8:00-9:00am	People Management is Hard! Don't do it alone, build your squad!		
		Jill Winsor, Employee Experience & Development Supervisor		
		Portland Water Bureau		
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8	9:05-10:05am	Advanced Metering Infrastructure		On-Site Sodium Hypochlorite Generation: A Safe and Cost-Effective Solution for Disinfection
		Brandon Anderson HD Fowler Company		Haley Goddard, PE cleanwater1
9	10:20-11:20am	VENDOR DISPLAY-Gregory Forum	Maximizing Outreach Success through WAVE	The Role of “Smart Tanks” in Distribution Water Quality Management
			Marlys Ryan & Libby Bakke Tualatin Valley Water District & CONSOR Engineers	Haley Goddard, PE cleanwater1
10	11:25-12:25pm	Emergency Drinking Water Framework Plan	Water Use and Well Level Monitoring	VENDOR DISPLAY-Gregory Forum
		Rebecca Geisen, Managing Director Regional Water Providers Consortium	Ted Ressler, RG, CWRE Co-presenter Darby Scanlon, RG	
			Summit Water Resource	
	12:30-1:10 PM	LUNCH		
11	1:10-2:10pm	Excavation Safety Part 1	Valves, even more boring	PFAS Drinking Water Rule Overview
		Eric Fullan Retired/Carollo Engineers	David Jacob PE Hydra Engineering	Gregg Baird, REHS OHA
12	2:15-3:15pm	Excavation Safety Part 2	A tree falls in the forest again	LAKE OSWEGO PLANT TOUR (2 Hr)
		Eric Fullan Retired/Carollo Engineers	David Jacob PE Hydra Engineering	Austin Peters Carollo Engineers
13	3:30-4:30pm	Different Phases of A Career within the Water Industry	Clackamas Community College Tunnel Tour: Backflow/Cross Connections and Distribution Systems	LAKE OSWEGO PLANT TOUR
		Kathleen Mannion Carollo Engineers	James T. Nurmi, Ph.D. Clackamas Community College	Austin Peters Carollo Engineers

DAY THREE		Thursday, July 17, 2025		
	7:30 AM	Campus Opens		
		Welcome and introductions Housekeeping, What to Expect, Certification Process, and More.		
14	8:00-9:00am	Documenting Worker's Compensation and Liability Claims for Water Utilities		
		Margaret Ryan, ARM Senior Risk Management Consultant		
		Citycounty Insurance Services (CIS)		
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15	9:05-10:05am	Findings from the Bull Run Treatment Pilot	The Future Impact of Technology: Advantages, Hazards, and the Unknown	PFAS in Fish Tissues: Columbia Slough and other Surface Water Impacts
		Kimberly Gupta, Manager III	Dr. Wade E. Hathhorn	Sean Payne
		City of Portland - PWB	Sunrise Water Authority	USGS
16	10:20-11:20am	Water System Resiliency	Effective Accountability Systems for Water Utilities	Wildfire and Water Quality
		Chantal Wikstrom, Drinking Water Specialist & Emergency Coordinator	Mark E. Hurliman, CSHM	Jude Grounds
		OHA	Oregon OSHA Voluntary Programs Coordinator	Carollo Engineers
17	11:25-12:25pm	Water Systems Emergency Management: Communicating with the Public, Easy?	Oregon's Voluntary Compliance Programs for the Water Industry	Emergency to Operations
		Felicia Heaton, Cassidy Keola and Grace Wilson	Mark E. Hurliman, CSHM	Jude Grounds
		City of Portland, PWB	Oregon OSHA Voluntary Programs Coordinator	Carollo Engineers
	12:30-1:10 PM	LUNCH		
18	1:10-2:10pm	Talk It Out: Turning Operator Knowledge into SOPs with AI	Water Industry Driving Safety - The Prescription to Lowering ALL Your Driver Risk (2 Hour session)	Wildfire Study DBP and Taste and Odor results **Tentative, need to confirm with speaker**
		Laura Oxsen, Organizational Development Lead	Andrew Crites	Anna Vosa **Tentative**
		Grayling Engineers	Oregon Driver Education Center (ODEC)	Portland Water Bureau
19	2:15-3:15pm	Safety Committees: To Compliance & Beyond! Part 1	Water Industry Driving Safety - The Prescription to Lowering ALL Your Driver Risk (2 Hour session)	WILLAMETTE RIVER WATER TREATMENT PLANT TOUR (2 Hr)
		Mark Hurliman, CSHM VPP/SHARP Program Coordinator	Andrew Crites, VP and CEO	Kim Reid
		Oregon OSHA	Oregon Driver Education Center (ODEC)	Veolia
20	3:30-4:30pm	Safety Committees: To Compliance & Beyond! Part 2	Clackamas Community College Tunnel Tour: Backflow/Cross Connections and Distribution Systems	WILLAMETTE RIVER WATER TREATMENT PLANT TOUR
		Mark Hurliman, CSHM VPP/SHARP Program Coordinator	James T. Nurmi, Ph.D.	Kim Reid
		Oregon OSHA	Clackamas Community College	Veolia