Biosolids 101: Presentation and Panel Q&A December 17, 2020 11:30AM – 1:00PM

Biosolids 101 is an introduction to biosolids to answer common questions, delivered by a panel of seasoned professionals from across the sector specialized in regulations, research and program management. Biosolids 101 will shine a light on some of the common questions surrounding biosolids management. No question is off limits.

Annual Membership Meeting to follow

Speaker Biographies



Andy Bary, Washington State University

Andy Bary is a Soil Scientist at Washington State University and has been conducting research and educational programming on biosolids since 1990.



Sally Brown, University of Washington

Sally Brown is an Associate Professor at the University of Washington. Sally Brown got her BA from Williams College in Williamstown MA in Political Science. She went on to the University of Maryland and received her MS and PhD under Dr. Rufus Chaney and Dr. Scott Angle in 1996. Her dissertation was titled was on the Long-term effects of biosolids application on agricultural soils.



Kyle Dorsey, WA State Department of Ecology

Kyle Dorsey is the State Biosolids Coordinator at the Washington State Department of Ecology. Kyle is a graduate of Washington State University. He began his career at the Department of Ecology in 1982. He has thirty years of experience working with biosolids, starting in 1988. He became the agency lead for developing the statewide biosolids program in 1992. He has also worked as a regional biosolids coordinator and in the private sector as a consultant.



Dan Thompson, City of Tacoma-TAGRO

Dan Thompson is the division manager of Business Operations for the City of Tacoma Environmental Services Department. He has over 30 years experience in the environmental field including 25 years in water, wastewater, and Biosolids management. Dan has a Bachelor of Science degree in forest management from Washington State University and a Masters and PhD in Silviculture from the University of Washington.

Dan began working with biosolds in 1989 designing forest fertilization units for Seattle METRO. He became a Senior Environmental Specialist for the City of Everett in 1993 and created and managed Everett's biosolds management program. Dan has been the manager of Tacoma's TAGRO class A Biosolids program since 2002. He has overseen the development of numerous Biosolids derived soil products including TAGRO Potting Soil, Top Soil, Roof Garden Mix and Mulch.