



WEAT Leadership Summit 2026

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AGENDA

8-8:30 AM	Breakfast & Registration	
8:30 AM	North Texas Utility Welcome Larry Patterson, Executive Director, Upper Trinity Regional Water District Becky Diviney, Director of Public Works & Engineering Services, Town of Addison	Facilitator: Alissa Lockett
8:45 AM	Individual Introductions, Ice Breaker, & Mentimeter	Facilitator: Ana Peña-Tijerina
9:30 AM	Leading the Future We're Building Today Arianne Shipley, Research & Advocacy Manager, US Pipe	
9:50 AM	New WEAT Leader Introduction Ana Peña-Tijerina, PhD, PE, BCEE, WEF Fellow, Wastewater Practice Leader, Plummer Jennie T. Almerico, P.E., Vice President, Sengineering Joseph K. Fielding, Acting Senior Manager, Operations & Compliance, Trinity River Authority Archana Sharma, PE, PMP, ENV SP, LEED AP, Texas Water Market Leader, Mead & Hunt Nicole Conner, PE, Vice President, Kennedy Jenks	Facilitator: Alissa Lockett
10:15 AM	Break	
10:30 AM	A Story of Leadership Jenna Covington, PE, BCEE, Executive Director & General Manager, North Texas Municipal Water District	Facilitator: Julie Nahrgang
10:45 AM	Water Stories Raudel Juarez, Manager, CRWS, Trinity River Authority Ryan Kelly, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, CWWTP, Dallas Water Utilities Laura R. Wilson, PE, Deputy Director, Infrastructure, Fort Worth Water Sharon Miller, PE, Regional Wastewater System Assistant Manager, North Texas Municipal Water District Ben Hodges, Director of Operations, Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Facilitator: Jennie Almerico
11:45 AM	Basic Wastewater Course Introduction & the Talent Behind the Videos Julie Nahrgang, Executive Director, WEAT TACWA Dylan Christenson, PhD, PE, Water Technology Team Manager, Garver Velma Paniagua, Manager, San Antonio Water System Zachary Jackson, Operations Training & Development Manager, North Texas Municipal Water District	
12:15 PM	Lunch	
1 PM	WEAT Strategic Plan Julie Nahrgang, Executive Director, WEAT TACWA	
1:30 PM	WEAT Committee Structure Connie Curtis, P.E., Director of Technical and Operational Services, San Jacinto River Authority Meera Victor, P.E., Senior Vice President, Carollo Dylan Christenson, PhD, PE, Water Technology Team Manager, Garver	Facilitator: Julie Nahrgang
1:50 PM	WEAT Section Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">● North Texas Section: Andy Paulson, PE, GAI Consultants● Other Sections	
2:20 PM	Wrap Up on Mentimeter Ola Wenno, PE, Project Engineer, Plummer	Facilitator: Ana Peña-Tijerina
3:00 PM	Concludes	

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