

2022 WEAT Leadership Summit

Thursday, May 12, 2022 – Red Brick Tavern, 119 Simonton St, Conroe, TX (5-6:30 PM)

Friday, May 13, 2022 – San Jacinto River Authority, 1577 Dam Site Rd, Conroe, TX (9 AM-4 PM)

8:00 AM	Breakfast
9:00 AM	Welcome & Introductions Matt Jalbert, Trinity River Authority & WEAT President; Jace Houston, SJRA General Manager
9:25 AM	Keynote Speaker Greg Wukasz, San Antonio Water System
9:40 AM	Overview of Committee and Section Structure and WEAT Strategic Priorities Kristen O’Neill, Stantec & Julie Nahrgang, WEAT
9:45 AM	Examples of Strategic Initiatives: Workforce Development, Non-flushables Campaign, WEAT Apprenticeship Program, and Advanced Operator Training = WQIQ Julie Nahrgang, WEAT
9:55 AM	Current WEAT Initiatives Alondra Hernandez, WEAT
10:05 AM	Apprenticeship Program Update Julie Nahrgang, WEAT; Dylan Christenson, Black & Veatch; & Katie Zheng, SouthWest Water Company
10:30 AM	Break
10:40 AM	Committee Leadership Council (CLC) – Overview of CLC Goals and Structure Jeff Caffey, Plummer
10:50 AM	Breakout Session for Brainstorming
11:05 AM	Breakout Session Report Back
11:20 AM	Advanced Operator Training – WEAT WQIQ: Current and Future Initiatives Rami Issa, AECOM; Chris Young, Plummer; John Bennet, Trinity River Authority
11:50 AM	Lunch
1:00 PM	WEAT Diversity, Equity & Inclusion – DEI and building the future water workforce Tanya Miro, Kimley-Horn; Ana Pena-Tijerina, Plummer; Aisha Niang, Houston Public Works
1:20 PM	A Case for Communications – Wipes Campaign Nyla Langford, Signature Automation & Connie Curtis, Kimley-Horn
1:40 PM	Communications Here to Pump You Up Stephanie Corso, Rogue Water
2:00 PM	Section Engagement Committee – Enhancing Section/State Engagement Rick Hidalgo, Signature Automation
2:10 PM	Case Study on Committee Development and Engagement Andrew McBride, Green Valley Water District; Kristin O’Neill, Stantec; Christian Annexy, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.; & Rick Hidalgo Signature Automation
2:25 PM	Breakout Session for Brainstorming
2:35 PM	Breakout Session Report Back
2:45 PM	Break
2:50 PM	WEF Water Leadership Institute Kristin O’Neill, Stantec
3:00 PM	Closing remarks
3:30 PM	Open networking time



Notes:

Upcoming Events:

- June 1-2 2022 WEAT Collections Systems and Odor & Corrosion Specialty Conference
- August 16 & 17 Capacity, Management, Operation & Maintenance (CMOM) 2022
- September 28 Operational Preparedness: Protecting our Future Water Supply Symposium
- November 15 Water Environment Horizon Conference

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Additional Resources

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