Water Environment HORIZON

November 12, 2026 | Long Center for the Performing Arts, Austin, TX

Sen José Menendez

Rep Cody Harris

Chwn Brooke Paup

Darrell Nichols

Gilbert Trejo

Hope Wells

Laura Wilson

Conference Agenda

7:30 AM	TACWA Business Portion	
8:45 AM	Opening Remarks & Introductions	**Ana Peña-Tijerina,** Jacobs & WEAT President **Julie Nahrgang,** WEAT | TACWA Executive Director
9:00 AM	Texas Water: House Natural Committee Updates	**Representative Cody Harris,** Texas House of Representatives, District 8
9:30 AM	Texas Regulatory Update	**Chairwoman Brooke Paup,** TCEQ
10:00 AM	**Networking Break**	
10:15 AM	Election Roundup	**Ty Embrey,** Lloyd Gosselink
10:45 AM	Federal Update	**Steve Dye,** WEF **Kristina Surfus,** NACWA
11:15 AM	Legislative Horizon for Water Providers	**Darrell Nichols,** GBRA **Gilbert Trejo,** El Paso Water **Hope Wells,** SAWS **Laura Wilson,** Fort Worth Water **Connie Curtis,** SJRA (moderator)
11:45 AM	**Lunch Break**	
1:00 PM	Data Centers, Produced Water, and Clean Water Horizon	**Margaret Cook,** Houston Advanced Research Center **Jennifer Walker,** National Wildlife Federation **Shane Walker*,** Texas Produced Water Consortium
1:45 PM	Texas Water and the Texas Senate	**Senator José Menendez,** Texas State Senate, District 26
2:15 PM	**Networking Break**	
2:30 PM	Advocacy in the 90th: Water Organization Leaders Discussion	**Sarah Kirkle,** TWA **Jeremy Mazur,** Texas 2036 **Perry Fowler,** TXWIN **Julie Nahrgang,** WEAT | TACWA (moderator)
3:15 PM	Texas Water Fund and TWDB Legislative Horizon	**Bryan McMath*,** TWDB
3:45 PM	**Closing Remarks**	

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Registration

Early Registration Fees
(Deadline: Friday, October 16, 2026)

- WEAT/WEF Member - Private Sector: $195.00
- WEAT/WEF Member - Govt./City: $160.00
- Student: $60.00
- Non-Member - Private Sector: $280.00 (includes WEAT Only Membership)
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