



"The Voice of Water Quality in the Arid West"

WESTCAS 2017 Annual Conference

June 21-23, 2017

Island Palms Hotel & Marina

San Diego, CA

"Back to the Future"



As the President of WESTCAS, please accept our invitation to participate in our 25th Annual Conference in San Diego, California June 21-23, 2017. Come celebrate and learn how the last 25 years have shaped WESTCAS. By attending our conference in San Diego you can assist WESTCAS in shaping the next 25 years. Distinguished professionals from government, academia, and industry will offer insights on collaborative approaches to solving some of the most challenging water resource and water quality problems.

This conference includes a collaborative workshop Thursday morning with the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA). NACWA is the recognized leader in legislative, regulatory, and legal clean water advocacy---helping ensure a strong, sustainable clean water future. The Workshop will identify potential strategies that will strengthen the WESTCAS perspective in NACWA's clean water national initiatives. Additionally, the workshop will help advance how WESTCAS and NACWA can work jointly in highlighting arid and semi-arid state water resource issues.

Attendees will not only learn about emerging issues, they will also experience them as we will tour the new City of San Diego's Pure Water facility. Pure Water San Diego is the City's phased, multi-year program that will provide one-third of San Diego's water supply locally by 2035. The Pure Water Program will use proven water purification technology to clean recycled water to produce safe, high-quality drinking water. The program offers a cost-effective investment for San Diego's water needs and will provide a reliable, sustainable water supply.

Please consider joining us and staying for the weekend to enjoy all that San Diego has to offer.

~Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS

San Diego



As if all that sunshine isn't enough, here's a waterfront city brushed by perfect breezes, the light just right, and the beer perfectly hoppy after a day of wave-and-water fun. Whether you're standup paddling on Mission Bay, kayaking into sea caverns along La Jolla's idyllic shores, savoring a sweet shave ice in Balboa Park, or dining and dancing after dark in the lively Gaslamp Quarter, you'll find yourself smiling in San Diego.



Area Attractions

[Naval Base Point Loma](#) - 2 miles

[Qualcomm Stadium](#) (San Diego Chargers) - 10 miles

[Old Town San Diego](#) - 4.2 miles

[Mission Beach](#) - 5.3 miles

[Gaslamp Quarter](#) - 6 miles

[San Diego Convention Center](#) - 6 miles

[Pacific Beach](#) - 6 miles

[San Diego Zoo](#) - 8 miles

[LEGOLAND California](#) - 34 miles

[Point Loma Nazarene University](#) - 2.5 miles

[Petco Park](#) (San Diego Padres) - 6 miles

[SeaWorld San Diego](#) - 5 miles

[Cabrillo National Monument](#) - 5.7

[SPAWAR](#) - 3 miles

[USS Midway Museum](#) - 6 miles

[Ocean Beach](#) - 4 miles

[Balboa Park](#) - 8 miles

[San Diego Safari Park](#) - 34 miles

HOTEL INFORMATION



Best Western Plus Island Palms Hotel & Marina

2051 Shelter Island Drive

San Diego, CA 92106

619-222-0561

WESTCAS has reserved a block of rooms at the Best Western Plus Island Palms Hotel & Marina for the nights of Tuesday, June 20th through Saturday, June 24th. The WESTCAS group rate is \$165.00 single/double occupancy per room per night plus tax of 12%. **For room reservations please call 619-222-0561 or 800-922-2336 and identify yourself with the WESTCAS group no later than June 6th.**

Reservations made after June 6th are on a space available basis only, and the group rate is not guaranteed. Check in time is 3:00PM PDT; Check out time is 12:00noon PDT. Escape to an oasis of calm at the Best Western Plus Island Palms Hotel & Marina. Located on Shelter Island, this full-service hotel puts you within close proximity of many local attractions, including SeaWorld, Balboa Park, and the Gaslamp Quarter.

And if you're into outdoor recreation, they feature two tennis courts and easy access to walking and jogging paths. This resort property is also walking distance to the bay where boating and fishing opportunities abound. Other amenities include complimentary bike rentals, a fitness center, and a business center.

The Best Western Plus Island Palms Hotel & Marina is located approximately three (3) miles from the San Diego Airport (SAN). We suggest taking a cab for an estimated \$15-\$17 each way.

WESTCAS 2017 Annual Conference Agenda

Tuesday – June 20	
Time	Speaker/Event
1:00 pm	Leave from host hotel for a tour of the City of San Diego's Pure Water Facility
Wednesday - June 21	
Time	Speaker/Event
8:00am	Registration Opens - Morning Coffee for All
8:30am	Welcome Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS and Adam Krantz, Chief Executive Officer, NACWA
9:00am	<p><i>"WESTCAS Then and Now": A Quick Look at Major WESTCAS Issues</i> Moderator: Larry Libeu, WESTCAS Emeritus</p> <p><i>"The 1994 CWA Arid West Amendment"</i> – Harlan Agnew, Esq. WESTCAS Emeritus <i>"The Arid West Water Quality Research Project"</i> – Harlan Agnew, Esq. WESTCAS Emeritus <i>"Arsenic: Are we Done Yet?"</i>- Steve Bigley, Director of Environmental Services, Coachella Valley Water District <i>"Chromium-6: Sixteen and Counting"</i> – Steve Bigley, Director of Environmental Services, Coachella Valley Water District <i>"Selenium: The Curse of the West"</i> – Steve Canton, GEI Consultants, Inc. <i>"WET Then & WET Now"</i> – Peggy Glass, Ph.D., Principal, Alan Plummer Associates</p>
10:00am	Break
10:15am	<p><i>WESTCAS Plan of Action in D.C.- "Shaping the Future"</i> – Hicks-Ray Associates</p> <p>Overview of New Administration Legislative Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Rule Rollbacks & Budget Cutbacks •DC Business – Life under the new administration <p>Current WESTCAS Issues: <i>Discussion and Policy Statements</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WOTUS/Clean Water Rule •Water Resources Development Act, WIFIA •Lacey Act •Turf Rebate Update •Title XVI
12:15pm	<i>Hosted Networking Lunch: Welcome to San Diego</i> - Maureen A. Stapleton, General Manager, San Diego County Water Authority
1:30pm	<i>"The State of Water"</i> – Tim Quinn, Ph.D., Executive Director, Association of California Water Agencies
2:30pm	<p><i>Legal Developments</i> <i>"Recent Developments Involving Water Transfers Under the Federal Clean Water Act"</i> – Peter Nichols, Esq., Partner, Berg, Hill Greenleaf Ruscitti LLP <i>"Clean Water Act Litigation and Developments"</i> – M. Reed Hopper, Esq., Senior Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation <i>"Agua Caliente Tribal Groundwater Litigation"</i> – Gerald D. Shoaf, Esq., Partner, Redwine & Sherrill</p>
4:30pm	<i>Regulatory Issues Update from the Water Quality Epicenter</i> Fredric P. Andes, Esq., Partner, Barnes & Thornburg LLP
5:30pm	<i>WESTCAS 25th Anniversary Celebration Hosted Reception</i>
	Dinner on your own

Thursday – June 22	
Time	Speaker/Event
8:00am	Registration Opens - Morning Coffee for All
8:30am	Welcome - “Looking Forward” Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS and Adam Krantz, Chief Executive Officer, NACWA
8:45am	NACWA/WESTCAS Collaborative Workshop Led by Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS and Adam Krantz, Chief Executive Officer, NACWA The goal of this workshop is to leverage dialogue and formulate strategies for combined efforts to promote key state issues in the national policy debate. Designated roundtable leaders will introduce their specific topic and drive discussion successively in a round-robin format. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulatory improvement, Clean Water Act reform, and related opportunities • Affordability, funding, and financing • Climate and resiliency policy • The water quantity/quality nexus • Utility of the Future and technology
10:45am	Break
11:00am	WESTCAS/NACWA Workshop Brief Table Report Outs Each designated leader will report their roundtable findings to the workshop attendees
11:45am	WESTCAS/NACWA Workshop Wrap Up and Next Steps for Collaboration – Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS, and Adam Krantz, Chief Executive Officer, NACWA
12: 00pm	Hosted Networking Lunch
1:15pm	Technical Presentations “El Paso Desalination” – Scott Reinert, P. E., P. G., Water Resources Manager, El Paso Water Utilities “Regional Scale Stormwater Treatment” – Patrick Chavez, P. E., Stormwater Quality Engineer, Albuquerque Metropolitan Arroyo Flood Control Authority “Something NEW is Brewing in Arizona”: Winner of Arizona Water Innovation Challenge – Jeff Prevatt, Research and Innovation Leader, Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department
3:15pm	Break
3:30pm	State Reports: Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas
4:15pm	State Caucuses with elections for State Directors and Coordinators
5:15pm	WESTCAS Hosted Happy Hour

Friday – June 23	
Time	Speaker/Event
8:00am	Associates Committee Meeting
9:00am	WESTCAS Board of Directors’ Meeting
11:30am	Conference Adjournment

(Note: Any times and/or speakers will be updated if changed from above)

REGISTRATION FORM

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One form per person. If you paying by check, please copy and mail to Dawn Moore, WESTCAS Administrative Office, 1810 Wythrop Manor Drive, Marietta, GA 30064. Checks should be payable to WESTCAS. If paying by credit card, please see the link on the Events page.

Attendee name (as it is to appear on the name badge): _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Are you participating in the tour of SDWA Pure Water Facility on Tuesday afternoon _____ Yes _____ No. Please check one.

Do you have any dietary restrictions/preferences? If so, please note here: _____

Registration Types and Fees

	Early	Late	
	<u>By June 9</u>	<u>After June 9</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Member Package Registration	\$495.00	\$520.00	\$ _____
Non-Member Package Registration	\$525.00	\$550.00	\$ _____
Emeritus Member Package Registration	\$125.00	\$150.00	\$ _____
One Day – Member - Wednesday only	\$260.00	\$275.00	\$ _____
One Day – Non-Member-Wednesday only	\$275.00	\$290.00	\$ _____
One Day – Member - Thursday only	\$260.00	\$275.00	\$ _____
One Day – Non-Member-Thursday only	\$275.00	\$290.00	\$ _____
Student Package Registration**	\$150.00**	\$150.00**	\$ _____
Student – Wednesday Only Registration**	\$ 75.00**	\$ 75.00**	\$ _____
Student – Thursday Only Registration**	\$ 75.00**	\$ 75.00**	\$ _____
Guest/Spouse Lunch Ticket-Wednesday	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.00	\$ _____
Guest/Spouse Reception Ticket- Wednesday	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.00	\$ _____
Guest/Spouse Lunch Ticket- Thursday	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.00	\$ _____
Guest/Spouse Reception Ticket- Thursday	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.00	\$ _____
TOTAL			\$ _____

WESTCAS Refund Policy: WESTCAS will offer a full refund of your registration fee if your registration is canceled in writing no later than June 16, 2017. **Cancellations received after June 16, 2017 will not receive a refund.** Cancellations must be received by WESTCAS via e-mail at www.westcas@westcas.org or via fax to 770-424-9468.

****You must be currently enrolled in a college or university as a full-time student.**