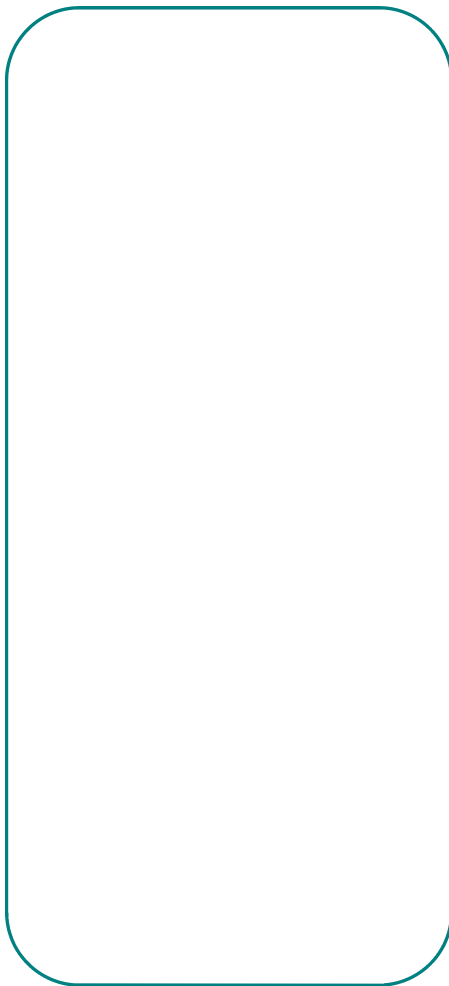
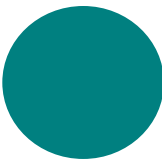
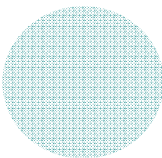


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**JUNE 22-24, 2011**

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## Who is WESTCAS?

### *Protecting the Area's Water and Environment*

The Arid West has a unique ecosystem. Many months have no rain, and annual precipitation often is less than 12 inches. Consequently, it is essential to protect both the quantity and quality of water supplies. To this end, in 1992 the area's water and wastewater providers joined together to share their talents and resources, assuming the name Western Coalition of Arid States or WESTCAS. A grassroots organization, WESTCAS is dedicated to encouraging the development of water programs and regulations which assure adequate supplies of high quality water for those living in the arid regions while protecting the environment.

### *What does WESTCAS offer?*

WESTCAS provides members with a powerful presence in Washington, D.C. and in regional and state regulatory and legislative decision-making; an effective vehicle for information exchange through meetings and publications; the opportunity to help draft federal, regional, state, and local legislation and regulations about water quality and supply.

### *Who should belong to WESTCAS?*

Water and wastewater service providers, including cities and towns, water and irrigation districts, wastewater agencies, Native American nations, and others concerned with management of issues related to water and wastewater supply, such as attorneys, engineering firms, and consulting firms.

## WESTCAS 2011 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Join us for the Annual Conference

June 22-24, 2011 at the

Catamaran Resort & Spa in San Diego, California

The theme of the conference is "Common Issues – Cooperative Efforts." WESTCAS works in concert with other state, regional, and national organizations to focus attention and support with our unique Arid West issues as well as to gain knowledge and form coalitions to assist our membership with responding to national issues. The San Diego meeting will bring together representatives from the national coalitions with which WESTCAS is involved to discuss pressing issues facing WESTCAS members and develop strategies to work individually and together to confront these issues. In addition, to assist our members in dealing with the current difficult financial environment, we will have presentations on creative funding of major capital projects and innovative approaches to water/wastewater rates and charges.

### HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Catamaran Resort & Spa, 3999 Mission Boulevard, San Diego, California, 92109  
**(858) 488-1081**

The Catamaran Resort & Spa offers casual elegance in a tropical paradise with acres of lush foliage and sun-drenched beaches. Mission Bay, the world's largest aquatic park, is at your doorstep and the enticing waves of the Pacific Ocean are just 100 yards away (one block). SeaWorld, the world-famous San Diego Zoo, and San Diego International Airport are just minutes away---and dining and shopping are within walking distance from the Catamaran's front door. The Catamaran's rooms and suites are spacious and tastefully appointed with their own balcony or patio. Each has a king or two double beds and all the amenities you would expect at a world-class resort---including hair dryers, coffee makers, irons and ironing boards, and many with refrigerators. Once on site you can explore the Catamaran's gardens and rare tropical plant and bird collection, their full service spa, or enjoy a relaxing day by the pool or beach. Water sports abound with sailboats, catamarans, jet skis, and sailboards.

WESTCAS has reserved a block of rooms for our attendees at the Catamaran Resort & Spa for the nights of Tuesday, June 21 through Friday, June 24, 2011. Rates are \$147.00 per night (single)/\$167.00 (double) plus tax of 12.5%.

**Make your sleeping room reservations before Monday, May 23, 2011 by calling 1-800-422-8386 and identifying yourself with the WESTCAS group or for more information or to book online, please go to:**

[https://shop.evanshotels.com/catamaran\\_groups/wes0621c11.html](https://shop.evanshotels.com/catamaran_groups/wes0621c11.html)

Please note that the hotel's check in time is 4:00PM; check out time is 12:00PM. If you must cancel your hotel room, please do so at least 24 hours out to avoid a late cancellation fee.

**Parking:** Self parking is \$13/day; valet parking is \$17/day with in/out privileges.

**Airport Transfers:** Attendees who fly should make their reservations into San Diego International Airport (SAN). The Catamaran Resort Hotel is located approximately 15 minutes (10 miles) from the airport.

There are three ways to transfer from the airport to the Hotel:

- Cloud Nine Shuttle: \$12/person each way. They have a manned kiosk outside baggage claim or you can make advance reservations by calling them at 1-800-9SHUTTLE.
- Taxi: approximately \$25 each way from the airport
- Rental car

# WESTCAS 2011 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## \*PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

### Day 1

Wednesday, June 22, 2011

9:30AM—11:30AM

Board of Directors Meeting

1:30PM—2:15PM

#### Welcome

Robert A. Hollander, P.E., Senior Project Manager, Alan Plummer Associates, Inc., and President, WESTCAS

#### Keynote Speaker

“East Meets West: Collaborative Issues and Opportunities”  
Ken Kirk, Executive Director, National Association of Clean Water Agencies

2:30PM—4:00PM

#### General Session I: Current Regulatory Issues

Presentation and discussion of current regulatory initiatives including Nutrients, New Construction Stormwater Permit, Final EPA Water Strategy, 2012 303(d) List Guidance, and EPA’s Review of Regulations mandated by Executive Order #135663. The impact of all of these issues on National and Arid West water quality will be highlighted.

#### Presenters:

- Nathan Gardner-Andrews, Esq., General Counsel, National Association of Clean Water Agencies
- Harlan Agnew, Esq., Deputy County Attorney, Pima County Attorney’s Office, and Chair, WESTCAS Regulatory Committee
- Fredric P. Andes, Esq., Partner, Barnes & Thornburg, LLP, Federal Water Quality Coalition Coordinator, and Co-Chair, WESTCAS Regulatory Committee

4:00PM—5:00PM

General Session I Working Meeting—Proposed cooperative actions from presentations and discussion

5:00PM—5:30PM

State Reports—California and Arizona

5:30PM—7:00PM

Welcome Reception (No-host)

### Day 2

Thursday, June 23, 2011

8:30AM—10:00AM

#### General Session II: Current Legislative Issues

#### “Washington Report”

Fred B. Hicks, Ph. D. and J. Tom Ray, P. E., Hicks-Ray Associates

Presentation and discussion of current legislative issues involving the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act, as well as discussion of a comprehensive approach to community affordability/regulatory prioritization, the status of initiatives on infrastructure funding, and drought/water scarcity. The impact of all these issues on National and Arid West water quality will be highlighted.

#### Presenters:

- Ken Kirk, Executive Director, National Association of Clean Water Agencies
- Nathan Gardner-Andrews, General Counsel, National Association of Clean Water Agencies
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## \*PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

### Day 2

Thursday, June 23, 2011 (con’t)

10:30AM—11:30AM

General Session II Working Meeting—Proposed cooperative actions from presentations and discussion

11:30AM—12:00PM

State Reports—Colorado and Texas

12:00PM—1:15PM

#### Buffet Luncheon with Featured Speaker

“Working Together for Water Sustainability”  
Ben Grumbles, President, Clean Water America Alliance

1:30PM—4:00PM

#### Special Session: Workshop on the Impact of Critical Issues for Arid West Agencies

Presentation and discussions on the upcoming release of CEQ’s Principles and Responsibilities, the Clean Water Protection Guidance, and the current and proposed Federal budget cuts to water programs and water funding. This will be a highly interactive session to supply our membership with detailed knowledge and take home materials.

Facilitator: Linda Christie, J.D., Director of Community and Government Relations, Tarrant Regional Water District, Fort Worth, TX and Chair, WESTCAS Legislative Committee

4:00PM—4:30PM

Policy Committee Working Meeting—Discussion of proposed WESTCAS Policy Statements

4:30PM—5:00PM

Elections

5:00PM—5:30PM

WESTCAS Board of Directors Meeting

6:00PM—7:30PM

Hosted Reception & Annual Awards Presentation  
*Sponsored in part by the WESTCAS Associates Committee*

### Day 3

Friday, June 24, 2011

9:00AM—10:30AM

#### General Session III: Funding Projects and Programs in a Time of Scarce Resources

“Design, Build and Operate (DBO) Strategy for the 32 MGD Water Reclamation Facility in Pima County, Arizona”  
Michael Gritzuk P.E., AZ, and Jackson Jenkins, Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department

“Innovative Strategies for Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges”  
George A. Raftelis, Chairman and CEO, Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.

10:30AM—11:00AM

State Reports—New Mexico and Nevada

11:00AM—11:30AM

Board of Directors Report to Membership

11:30AM

*Adjournment*

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# REGISTRATION FORM

Please print or type. One form per person. Copy and mail to Dawn Moore, WESTCAS, 1810 Wyntrop Manor Drive, Marietta, GA 30064, FAX to 770-424-9468, E-mail to westcas@mindspring.com, or register online at www.westcas.org.

Attendee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(name as it is to appear on the badge)

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment (Please check the applicable box):

\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is a check made payable to WESTCAS

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Please check one: \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**WESTCAS Refund Policy:** It is the policy of WESTCAS to offer a full refund, minus a \$50.00 administrative fee, for conference registration if the cancellation is made at least five (5) business days in advance of the date of a scheduled conference. Cancellations made within five (5) business days will not receive a refund. Cancellations must be received by WESTCAS via mail to Dawn Moore, Administrative Director, WESTCAS, 1810 Wyntrop Manor Drive, Marietta, GA 30064 or via FAX to 770-424-9468, or via E-mail to westcas@mindspring.com.

## EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 14, 2011.

### Registration Fees

Early	Late	
Before	After	
6/14/11	6/14/11	Amount

### Package Registration

Includes all breaks, Thursday's lunch, receptions, and conference materials.

**\*Members:** \$350.00 \$400.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Non-Members:** \$400.00 \$450.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*1st Time, Non-Member Organizations:** \$150.00 \$150.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Student Attendees:** \$50.00 \$50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Wednesday only

One day registration: \$175.00 \$200.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Thursday only

One day registration: \$175.00 \$200.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Friday only

One day registration: \$175.00 \$200.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Ticket Purchases:

**\*Thursday Lunch:** # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Thursday Reception:** # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** ----- \$ \_\_\_\_\_