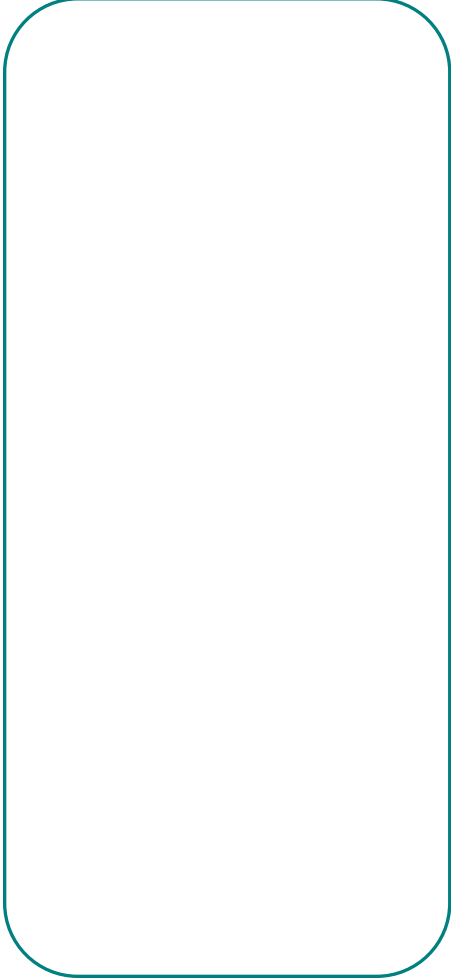
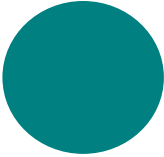


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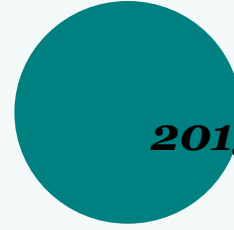


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Who is WESTCAS?

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 2013 FALL CONFERENCE

Join us for the Annual Conference
October 30-November 1, 2013 at the
Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa in Tucson, AZ

Sharing Insights and Opportunities---Has the Arid West Drawn the "Shortage Straw"?

2013 has been a year of continuing challenges for water resource agencies in the Arid West. These include regulatory, policy, and legislative issues such as the multi-state impact of the operation of the Navajo Generating Station; the draft California drinking water standard for Chromium-6; EPA proposed criteria for ammonia; reauthorization of the Water Resources Development Act in Congress; the development of Federal policy involving the Lacey Act/invasive species and water transfers over State borders; and, policy implementation of the Colorado River Basin Water Supply and Demand Study. The WESTCAS 2013 Fall Conference will address these issues and provide participants with opportunities during working sessions to develop specific WESTCAS positions on these issues for local, State and Federal advocacy.

HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa, 245 E. Ina Road,
Tucson, Arizona, 85704
(520) 297-1151

Situated on 80 acres at the base of the Santa Catalina Mountains in the pristine Sonoran Desert, authentic Southwestern charm prevails at Westward Look, a Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa. The resort offers a true sense of serenity, where you will wake to colorful sunrises, explore indigenous plant life and nature paths across the resort, or indulge in soothing treatments at their award-winning Sonoran Spa. We hope you will find that this certified green resort is the perfect oasis in the desert for business or recreational guests—where modern luxuries meet native traditions.

WESTCAS has reserved a block of rooms for our attendees at the Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa for the nights of Tuesday, October 29 through Friday, November 1, 2013. Rates for a standard room are \$109.00 per night (single-quad) plus tax of 12.05%, plus a \$10.00 daily resort fee.

Make your sleeping room reservations before Tuesday, October 8, 2013 by calling 1-800-722-2500 or calling the hotel direct at 520-917-2465 (ask for Group Reservations) and identify yourself with the WESTCAS group.

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 **14 days** prior to arrival to avoid a late cancellation fee.

Parking: All parking at the resort is complimentary.

Airport Transfers: Attendees who fly should make their reservations into Tucson Internal Airport (TUS).

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

- Taxi: approximately \$45 each way from the airport
- Rental car
- Arizona Stagecoach: \$44.00 one way/\$80.00 round trip per person. For reservations call 877-782-4355 or visit www.azstagecoach.com. Please note that this is a "shared ride" van which can make other stops from/to the resort/hotel.

WESTCAS 2013 FALL CONFERENCE

*PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Day 1 Wednesday, October 30, 2013

10:00AM—4:00PM	Registration
10:00AM	WESTCAS Board of Directors Meeting
	Lunch on your own
1:00PM	Welcome Ed Curley, President, WESTCAS
1:15PM	Keynote Speaker “Water Future” Kris Polly, President, Water Strategies, LLC, Editor-in-Chief, <i>Irrigation Leader Magazine</i>
2:00PM	General Session I: Current Regulatory Issues Moderated by Kelly Collins, Vice President, WESTCAS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Chromium-6 Drinking Water Standard in California” Steve Bigley, Environmental Services Manager, Coachella Valley Water District • “Treatment Options for Chromium-6” Nicole K. Blute, Ph.D., P.E., Senior Associate, Hazen and Sawyer • “Nutrient Impairment and Removal – the Ruidoso Experience” James Good, Parametrix (invited) • Federal Water Quality Coalition Updates Harlan Agnew, Esq., Deputy County Attorney, Pima County Attorney’s Office • Regulatory Working Session (including Chromium-6, ammonia criteria, electronic filing and nutrients)
5:00PM	State Reports —Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico and Texas
5:30PM	Join us in no-host Networking in the Lookout Bar and Grill.

Day 2 Thursday, October 31, 2013 Happy Halloween!

8:30AM—4:00PM	Registration
9:00AM	Welcome Ed Curley, President, WESTCAS
9:15AM	General Session II: Current Policy Issues Moderated by Ed Curley, President, WESTCAS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Climate Change in the Southwest” Gregg Garfin, Ph. D., Deputy Director for Science Translation & Outreach - Institute of the Environment, University of Arizona

* Note: Speakers and/or topics are subject to change.

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*PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Day 2 Thursday, October 31, 2013 (con’t)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Navajo Generating Station BART Proposal” Grant Smedley, Manager, Environmental Policy & Innovation, Salt River Project • “Endangered Species on the Rio Grande—What can be done?” John Stomp, COO, Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Authority • Policy Working Session
12:00PM	Luncheon with Keynote Speaker Brad Lancaster, Award-Winning Author of <i>Rainwater Harvesting for Dry Lands and Beyond</i>
1:30PM	General Session III: Current Legislative Issues Moderated by Linda Christie, J.D., Chair, WESTCAS Legislative Committee
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Washington Report” Hicks-Ray Associates – Updates on reauthorization of WRDA, US Fish and Wildlife Service policy impacts on water transfers/Lacey Act/invasive species, FY14 Appropriations, Colorado River/Rio Grande water supply issues • “Lower Colorado River Basin Perspective” Brad Hiltcher, Executive Legislative Representative, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (invited) • Legislative Working Session
5:00PM	Hosted Reception (Costumes Optional!) <i>Sponsored in part by the WESTCAS Associates Committee</i>

Day 3 Friday, November 1, 2013

7:30AM	Associates Committee Meeting
8:30AM	General Session IV: Associates Spotlight Moderated by Bruce Johnson, CH2M Hill and Jackson Jenkins, Pima County Wastewater Reclamation Department
	Breakfast, Board Secretary’s Report, and a “Pre-Opening” Field Trip to Pima County’s new state-of-the-art DBO Water Reclamation Facility---The Agua Nueva Plant. Sponsored by CH2M Hill and Pima County Wastewater Reclamation Department.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please print or type. One form per person. Copy and mail to Dawn Moore, WESTCAS, 1810 Wynthrop 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: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Method of Payment (Please check the applicable box):

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WESTCAS Refund Policy: It is the policy of WESTCAS to offer a full refund, minus a \$75.00 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 Wynthrop Manor Drive, Marietta, GA 30064 or via FAX to 770-424-9468, or via E-mail to westcas@mindspring.com.

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 8, 2013.

Registration Fees		
Early	Late	
Before	After	
10/8/13	10/8/13	Amount

Package Registration

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

*Members:	\$350.00	\$400.00	\$ _____
*Non-Members:	\$400.00	\$450.00	\$ _____
*1st Time, Non-Member Organizations:	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$ _____
*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 ----- \$ _____

• **Please indicate if you will be attending Friday's Breakfast:** Circle **Yes** or **No**

• **Please indicate if you will be attending the field trip to The Agua Nueva Plant:** Circle **Yes** or **No**