WESTCAS 2013 FALL CONFERENCE

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

OCTOBER 30 - November 1, 2013
Westward Look
Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa
Tucson, Arizona

Western Coalition of Arid States
“The Voice of Water Quality in The Arid West”
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.
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, Irrigation Leader Magazine

2:00PM
General Session I: Current Regulatory Issues
Moderated by Kelly Collins, Vice President, WESTCAS

- "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

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

- "Climate Change in the Southwest"
  Gregg Garfin, Ph. D., Deputy Director for Science Translation & Outreach - Institute of the Environment, University of Arizona
- "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 Rainwater Harvesting for Dry Lands and Beyond

1:30PM
General Session III: Current Legislative Issues
Moderated by Linda Christie, J.D., Chair, WESTCAS Legislative Committee

- "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 Hiltsher, Executive Legislative Representative, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (invited)
- Legislative Working Session

5:00PM
Hosted Reception (Costumes Optional!)
Sponsored in part by the WESTCAS Associates Committee

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.

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

_____ Enclosed is a check made payable to WESTCAS

_____ Please charge my credit card:

Please check one: ______ Visa ______ MasterCard

Name on card: __________________________________________________________________

Account #: _____________________________________________________________________

Expiration Date: __________________________________________________________________

Signature: _____________________________________________________________________

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EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 8, 2013.

Registration Fees
Early Late
Before After
10/8/13 10/8/13 $________

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