



# WESTCAS

The Western Coalition of Arid States

## Thursday, June 22, 2017 (continued)

11:00AM Grand Marina

*Final Input from Attendees and Roundtable Topic Summaries*

11:30AM Grand Marina

*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 Sunset

Andrew Prindle, Investment Banking Specialist, Goldman Sachs

1:15PM Grand Marina

### *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 Grand Marina

*State Reports:* Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas

4:15PM Grand Marina

*State Caucuses with elections of State Directors and Coordinators*

5:15PM Pool

*WESTCAS Hosted Happy Hour*

## Friday, June 23, 2017

8:00AM Harbor

*Associates Committee Meeting*

9:00AM Harbor

*WESTCAS Board of Directors’ Meeting*

11:30AM  
*Conference Adjournment*

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

WESTCAS 2017 Fall Conference  
October 25-27, 2017  
Wyndham Grand Westward Look  
Resort & Spa  
Tucson, AZ

### The WESTCAS Mission:

WESTCAS strives to be:

- The premier, grass-roots organization for providers of water, wastewater and reclaimed water services in the Arid West.
- A responsive coalition on behalf of our members and their customers.
- A reliable source of information about water quality issues to our members and the public.
- An advocate for environmentally sound management of water resources and the protection of public health.
- A contributor to policy, regulations, science, legislation, and appropriations on Arid West water quality and quantity issues.

### What are the goals of WESTCAS?

*WESTCAS’ members network their talents and resources to work on common issues.*

1. Advocate laws, regulations, standards, and policies that provide for environmentally sound, science-based protection and wise use of water resources in unique Arid West ecosystems.
2. Actively champion federal funding for water quality and quantity issues, programs, and infrastructure in the Arid West states.
3. Ensure **WESTCAS** remains effective as the “Voice of Water Quality in the Arid West.”

# WESTCAS

## 2017 Annual Conference



*“Back to the Future”*

June 20-23, 2017

Island Palms Hotel & Marina  
San Diego, California



*“The Voice of Water Quality  
in the Arid West”*



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### Tuesday, June 20, 2017

**1:00PM** Meet in Hotel Lobby  
*Leave from hotel for a tour of the City of San Diego's Pure Water Facility.*

### Wednesday, June 21, 2017

**8:00AM** Grand Marina Foyer  
**Registration Opens** – Morning Coffee for All

**8:30AM** Grand Marina  
**Welcome**  
Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS, and  
Adam Krantz, Chief Executive Officer, NACWA

- 9:00AM** Grand Marina
- **“WESTCAS Then and Now”: A Quick Look at Major WESTCAS Issues** - Moderator: Larry Libeu, WESTCAS Emeritus
  - **“The 1994 CWA Arid West Amendment”** – Harlan Agnew, Esq. WESTCAS Emeritus
  - **“The Arid West Water Quality Research Project”** – Harlan Agnew
  - **“Arsenic: Are we Done Yet?”**- Steve Bigley, Director of Environmental Services, Coachella Valley Water District
  - **“Chromium-6: Sixteen and Counting”** – Steve Bigley
  - **“Selenium: The Curse of the West”** – Steve Canton, Certified Senior Ecologist, Vice President/Principal, GEI Consultants, Inc.
  - **“WET Then & WET Now”** – Peggy Glass, Ph.D., Principal, Alan Plummer Associates

**10:00AM** BREAK

**10:15AM** Grand Marina  
**WESTCAS Plan of Action in D.C.- “Shaping the Future”** – Hicks-Ray Associates

#### Overview of New Administration Legislative Activities

- Rule Rollbacks & Budget Cutbacks
- DC Business – Life under the new administration

#### Current WESTCAS Issues: *Discussion and Policy Statements*

- WOTUS/Clean Water Rule
- Water Resources Development Act, WIFIA
- Lacey Act
- Turf Rebate Update
- Title XVI

**12:15PM** Hosted Networking Lunch **Sunset**

**Welcome to San Diego**  
Maureen A. Stapleton, General Manager, San Diego County Water Authority

**1:30PM** Grand Marina  
**“The State of Water”** – Tim Quinn, Ph.D., Executive Director, Association of California Water Agencies

**2:30PM** Grand Marina  
**Legal Developments**

- **“Recent Developments Involving Water Transfers Under the Federal Clean Water Act”** – Peter Nichols, Esq., Partner, Berg, Hill Greenleaf Ruscitti LLP
- **“Clean Water Act Litigation and Developments”** – M. Reed Hopper, Esq., Senior Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
- **“Agua Caliente Tribal Groundwater Litigation”** – Gerald D. Shoaf, Esq., Partner, Redwine & Sherrill

**4:30PM** Grand Marina  
**Regulatory Issues Update from the Water Quality Epicenter**

Fredric P. Andes, Esq., Partner, Barnes & Thornburg LLP

**5:30PM** Sunset  
**WESTCAS 25th Anniversary Celebration Hosted Reception**

Dinner on your Own

### Thursday, June 22, 2017

**8:00AM** Grand Marina Foyer  
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**8:30AM** Grand Marina  
**Welcome**  
**“Looking Forward”**  
Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS, and  
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**8:45AM** Grand Marina  
**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.

- **Regulatory Improvement, Clean Water Act Reform, and Related Opportunities** - Jim Kudlinski, Supervisor, Environmental Support Services, Salt River Project
- **Affordability, Funding, and Financing** - Jayne Strommer, Government Affairs Manager, Delta Diablo
- **Climate and Resiliency Policy** - Adel Hagekahlil, P.E., BCEE, Assistant Director, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation
- **Water Quantity/Quality Nexus** - Ed Curley, Immediate Past President, WESTCAS
- **Utility of the Future and Technology** - Lisa Hollander, Governmental Affairs Officer, Metro Wastewater Reclamation District

**10:45AM** BREAK