



2026 Women's Water Network Forum

## Leading Forward: Women In Water on Succession, Mentorship, and Defining Moments

July 14 | Hilton Cleveland Downtown | Superior A

*As of May 28, 2026*

### Tuesday, July 14

**8:30 – 10:15**

#### **Registration**

**9:00 – 9:05**

#### **Opening and Welcoming Remarks**

**Emily Jackson**, *Co-Chair, Legal Affairs Committee*  
Chief Legal Officer  
Metro Water Recovery | Denver, CO

**Sharon Green**, *Legislative Programs Manager*  
Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts | Whittier, CA

**9:05 – 10:00**

#### **Defining Moments: How Mentorship Shapes the Leaders We Become**

Behind every strong leader is a moment—or a mentor—that changed their trajectory. This opening conversation explores the pivotal relationships and experiences that shape careers, highlighting how women leaders can both seek and provide mentorship with purpose and impact.

*Facilitator*

**Lori Long**, *Partner*  
Shoreline Associates | Cleveland, OH

**10:00 – 10:15**

#### **Connection Break**

**10:15 – 11:00**

#### **Leading Forward: Building Strong Succession Pathways That Last**

Leadership transitions are inevitable—intentional preparation is not. This session dives into practical strategies to strengthen succession planning, develop emerging leaders, and ensure your organization is positioned for long-term success.

*Facilitator*

**Lori Long**, *Shoreline Associates*

**11:00 – 11:45**

#### **A Leader's Journey: Defining Moments in Action**

*Moderator/Speaker*

**Pam Elardo**, *Vice President of Strategic Services*  
Brown and Caldwell | Seattle, WA

**11:45 – 12:00**

#### **Roundtable Takeaways and Wrap-Up**

12:00 – 1:00

Networking Lunch