



Colorado Utility Executive Forum

September 5, 2019 | 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

City of Aurora Binney Water Purification Facility | Aurora, CO

10:00 – 10:10

Welcoming Remarks/Introductions

Dan Mikesell
Director of Operations
City of Aurora
Aurora, CO

Mickey Conway
NACWA Board Member
District Manager
Metro Wastewater Reclamation District
Denver, CO

10:10 – 11:00

State Challenges & Opportunities

Hear how others in Colorado are dealing with challenges - and finding opportunities to innovate - from around the state. This session will provide an opportunity for frank information sharing about how others are dealing with common issues and developing exciting initiatives across the state.

Pieter Van Ry
Director
South Platte Water Renewal Partners
Englewood, CO

Dave Padgett
Chief Environmental Services Officer
Colorado Springs Utilities
Colorado Springs, CO

Barbara Biggs
General Manager
Roxborough Water & Sanitation District
Littleton, CO

Joe Taddeucci
Acting Director of Public Works, Utilities
City of Boulder
Boulder, CO

11:00 – 11:45

Resiliency in Uncertain Times – Will New Regulations Provide Certainty?

The water sector is facing new challenges due to the increasing number of natural disasters, cybersecurity attacks, and other malevolent acts. This panel will discuss water utilities most challenging threats and vulnerabilities and discuss various roadmaps for addressing these risks. America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) requires community water systems to develop or update risk and resilience

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assessments and emergency response plans within the next year. How does this mandate fit into your utility's resiliency planning efforts? These speakers will discuss best practices and the latest trends in resiliency planning and the three key focus areas of AWIA—natural disasters, cyber security, and physical threats/terrorism.

Facilitator

Brian Jordan

Vice President
Tetra Tech, Inc.
Los Angeles, CA

Speakers

Jason Graham

Director, Plant Operations
City of Fort Collins
Fort Collins, CO

Bob George

Cybersecurity & Networking Infrastructure Expert
Tetra Tech, Inc.
Grafton, MA

11:45 – 12:00

Break

12:00 – 1:00

Keynote Address & Lunch

Ayn Schmidt

Water Policy Advisor
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8
Denver, CO

1:00 – 1:15

Break

1:15 – 2:55

Utility Roundtable Discussion

Building on the lessons from the morning discussions, this session will provide a forum for an open dialogue among all participants focused on issues impacting clean water utilities.

Facilitator

Ray Marshall

Previous NACWA President

2:55 – 3:00

Closing Remarks/Adjourn

Adam Krantz

Chief Executive Officer
NACWA
Washington, DC

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