



# Speaker Biographies

## Resilience Webinar Series: Part 3

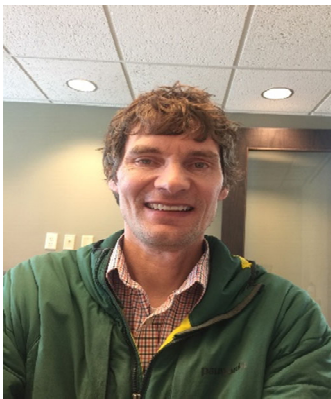


### **Curt Baranowski**

Environmental Scientist, Creating Resilient Water Utilities  
US Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, DC

**Curt Baranowski** leads the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Creating Resilient Water Utilities initiative, which provides resources for drinking water and wastewater utilities to address climate change by promoting a clear understanding of climate science and adaptation options. Before working on climate-related water issues, Mr. Baranowski managed Agency programs that provided technical assistance and training to small community wastewater utilities.

Mr. Baranowski has been with the US EPA's Office of Water since 1998. Prior to joining EPA, he worked in the water and air programs of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.



### **Travis Block**

Public Utilities Director  
City of Faribault  
Faribault, MN

**Travis Block** is the Public Works Director with the City of Faribault. He manages the Airport, Streets, Drinking Water, Sanitary Collections, Stormwater Maintenance and the Water Reclamation Facility. Mr. Block has been with the City of Faribault for 22 years, spending much of it at the Water Reclamation Facility. Mr. Block has an MPA and is a Minnesota Class A Certified Wastewater Operator.

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**Lindsey Hallock**

Director of Public and Environmental Policy  
Cape Fear Public Utility Authority  
Wilmington, NC

**Lindsey Hallock** is the Director of Public and Environmental Policy at Cape Fear Public Utility Authority (CFPUA), where she and her team help the organization plan for the long-term impacts of environmental hazards and climate change. Her team is currently leading the organization's electric vehicle pilot program and the creation of its first greenhouse gas inventory. Prior to her work with CFPUA, Ms. Hallock worked as a policy analyst for environmental advocacy groups across the US.



**Peggy Nguyen**

Environmental Supervisor  
City of Los Angeles – LA Sanitation  
Los Angeles, CA

**Peggy Nguyen** is an environmental scientist and educator with broad experience in environmental restoration, education, and organizational and project development and management. She has direct experience in fundraising and financial planning and development, public relations and marketing, non-profit agency management, personnel management and development, environmental compliance, accounting, budget development and strategic planning, grant writing and administration, policy development and analysis, instruction, training and group facilitation, habitat restoration, and curriculum development. She has supported the City's airport, recreation and parks, sanitation and environmental departments over the last 14 years, and prior to that supported environmental sustainability efforts in the academic, educational, and non-profit sectors. She is currently responsible for climate risk management business process improvements, and climate action policy development and planning at LA Sanitation and Environment.





**Eileen White**

Director, Wastewater  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
Oakland, CA

**Eileen White** is currently the Director of Wastewater for the East Bay Municipal Utility District (District) in Oakland, CA, which supplies water to approximately 1.4 million people and wastewater services to about 670,000 people. Ms. White has more than 20 years of engineering experience in the wastewater, water, and power industries. As the Director of Wastewater, she is responsible for leading the Wastewater Department which includes planning, organizing, and leading the engineering, operations, and maintenance of the wastewater system to ensure efficient operations that meet all regulations. She also manages the lab which provides analytical support for both wastewater and water operations. Prior to her appointment as the Director of Wastewater, Ms. White was the Manager of Water Operations and the Chief Operator for the District for 17 years where she was responsible for the District's extensive raw water transmission system, water treatment plants, and distribution system. Before her appointment as the Manager of Water Operations, she was responsible for managing the District's \$189 million Seismic Improvement Program, including its short-term and long-range planning. Prior to joining the District, she was a Design Engineer for PG&E. Ms. White has a BS in Civil Engineering from UC Berkeley, is a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of CA, and has a Water Distribution Operator Grade 5 certificate.

