

Public Drinking Water Conference

AUGUST 8-9, 2023

Online and In-Person

Renaissance Austin Hotel | 9721 Arboretum Blvd., Austin, TX 78759



ASSET MANAGEMENT

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Rio Grande, Big Bend National Park | Photo credit: Hannah Waters

For more information or to register online, visit www.tceq.texas.gov/drinkingwater/conference.html

2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference

Day One: Tuesday, August 8 - Morning Sessions

Morning General Sessions Grand Ballroom	
7:30 am	<i>REGISTRATION OPENS</i>
8:30 am	Welcome and Overview
9:15 am	Legislative Update
10:00 am	<i>BREAK / REFRESHMENTS / EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM OPEN</i>
10:30 am	Asset Management
11:15 am	Aging Infrastructure
12:00 pm	<i>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN</i>

Day One: Tuesday, August 8 - Afternoon Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet
1:30 pm	LCRR and the Lead Service Line Inventory	Generator Maintenance	Operator Licensing Update
2:15 pm	How to Evaluate Your Water System for an RTCR Assessment	You Have an EPP, Now What? (SB3)	Panel Discussion Capacity Development
3:00 pm	<i>BREAK / REFRESHMENTS</i>		
3:30 pm	Chloramine Basics	Asset Mapping	Troubleshooting at a SWTP
4:15 pm	Nitrification Basics	Disaster Response Assistance - TXWARN	Process Control and Monitoring
5:00 pm	<i>DAY ONE WRAP-UP / EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM CLOSE</i>		

Day Two: Wednesday, August 9 - Morning Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet
8:00 am	<i>EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM OPEN</i>		
8:00 am	Disinfectant Residual Monitoring	Cross Connection Control	Public Utility Commission (PUC) - Update
8:45 am	PFAS	Cyber Security	PUC - Water CCN Mapping
9:30 am	<i>BREAK / REFRESHMENTS</i>		
10:00 am	TWDB - Asset Management Program for Small Systems (AMPSS)	Finding, Training and Keeping Good Operators	BWN, PN and CCR Updates: What You Should Know
10:45 am	TWDB - Water Conservation and Water Loss	Basics of the Groundwater Rule (GWR)	Source Water Protection
11:30 am	<i>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN / EXHIBITS CLOSE</i>		

Day Two: Wednesday, August 9 - Afternoon Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet
1:00 pm	Preparing for a Groundwater Investigation	Temporary Conversions to Free Chlorine	Coliform Sampling and the New Microbial Reporting Form
1:45 pm	Preparing for a Surface Water Investigation	Water System Perspective	Iron and Manganese
2:30 pm	<i>BREAK / REFRESHMENTS</i>		
3:00 pm	How TCEQ Calculates Corrosivity for New Sources	Common Exceptions / How to Submit an Exception	Concentration-Time (CT) Studies
3:45 pm	Well Construction	ACRs and Capacity Rules	Enforcement: Need Help Meeting Compliance
4:30 pm	<i>CONCLUSION / TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM CLOSING</i>		

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Program Information

The 2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference is FREE to attendees. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesday, June 6 at 9:00 AM CST - Registration opens

Register at: <https://cvent.utexas.edu/pdw2023>

Conference Attendance Options

The 2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference will be held in a hybrid format. Attendees have the option to attend online or in-person. You'll need to select how you plan to attend during registration. Pre-registration is required because in-person attendance is limited.

Cost

The 2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference is offered FREE of charge.

Earn Credit Hours

Water system operators can receive general training credit toward the renewal of their water operator license from TCEQ for the qualifying sessions they attend online or in-person.

TCEQ Technical Assistance Room

Staff from the TCEQ Water Supply Division, Texas Water Development Board and Public Utility Commission, will be available for one-on-one discussions with attendees during the conference.

Workshop Information

In addition to the scheduled sessions, a variety of workshops are planned for the conference on topics such as:

- Boil Water Notifications;
- Water Conservation (bring your water audit or ordinance);
- Water Quality Issues (bring your equipment for monitoring chlorine, chloramines, iron, and manganese);
- Inventory - monitoring plans, data change requests (bring your current monitoring plan);
- RTCR Sample Siting Plan and Submissions (bring your sample site plan);
- Basic Math for Utility Calculations;
- Chlorine - injection pumps, nitrification, residual data (bring historical residual data, nitrification action plan);
- Emergency Preparedness Plans;
- Drinking Water Watch;
- Lead and Copper, Corrosion Control Studies;
- Surface Water - jar testing, filter assessments, data verification (bring an historic SWMOR, flash drive for latest version);
- TWICC;
- and more.

PLEASE NOTE: A hotel room reservation does ***not*** serve as a conference registration. You must register for the conference separate from your hotel room reservation.

Conference Hotel

Renaissance Austin Hotel
9721 Arboretum Blvd
Austin, TX 78759

Book your discounted hotel room
on or after June 6, 2023:
<https://tinyurl.com/pdw2023>

The Renaissance has reserved a block of rooms for attendees at the discounted rate of \$131 per night for a single or a double. The conference rate is valid until July 17 OR until the room block is full. Reservations received after this date are taken on a space available basis and are not guaranteed the discounted rate. To receive the conference rate, visit <https://tinyurl.com/pdw2023>. To reserve via phone, call 800-468-3571 or 512-343-2626. To receive the conference rate, you must identify yourself as a participant of the TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference.

We understand that the conference hotel cannot accommodate all conference participants. There are several nearby hotels, some of which have courtesy shuttles to the conference hotel. For information on overflow hotels, please visit:

<https://cvent.utexas.edu/pdw2023>

Parking

Registered attendees receive complimentary day parking in the Renaissance Austin surface lot. Overnight parking is \$10 per night for hotel guests, charged to your hotel room bill. Parking in unauthorized business lots will result in ticketing and towing. As parking is limited, we highly recommend utilizing courtesy shuttles if you are staying at one of the overflow hotels with this option.

Attention Exhibitors!

There are a limited number of exhibitor booths, so register early to reserve your space. For more information, please email pdwcon@austin.utexas.edu

Exhibitor Schedule for Rio Grande Exhibit Hall

Monday, August 7, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Meet and Greet
Tuesday, August 8, 7:30 am - 5:00 pm: Exhibit Hall Open
Wednesday, August 9, 7:30 am - 11:30 am: Exhibit Hall Open

Special Accommodations

If you have a disability and require special accommodations to fully participate in this event, please call the conference organizer at least three weeks prior to the start of the Public Drinking Water Conference at 512-471-2886. The TCEQ is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. The agency does not allow discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, or veteran status. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this document may be requested in alternate formats by contacting the TCEQ at www.tceq.texas.gov/publications.

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The 2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference is a FREE, two-day seminar designed to provide information relevant to public drinking water systems. TCEQ Water Supply Division representatives will give presentations on a wide variety of topics including drinking water regulations, upcoming rules, operations, distribution, licensing, new technology, and much more.

Staff from the TCEQ Water Supply Division will also be available to meet on an individual basis with water system operators and water system managers.

If you are a water system operator or water system manager this conference is a must. Water system operators can receive general training credit toward the renewal of their water operator license from the TCEQ for the qualifying sessions they attend. If you attend only one conference this year, make it the 2023 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference!

**Visit the conference website for the latest information:
<https://cvent.utexas.edu/pdw2023>**