# **Public Drinking Water Conference**

## AUGUST 9-10, 2022

Online and In-Person Renaissance Austin Hotel | 9721 Arboretum Blvd., Austin, TX 78759



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Spicewood Valley Trail (West Austin) | Photo courtesy of Erin Guerra

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# 2022 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference Day One: Tuesday, August 9 - Morning Sessions

Morning General Sessions Grand Ballroom				
7:30 am	REGISTRATION OPENS			
8:30 am	Welcome and Overview			
9:15 am	Cybersecurity and Drinking Water Infrastructure			
10:00 am	BREAK / REFRESHMENTS / EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM OPEN			
10:30 am	The Future of Water			
11:15 am	Preparing Your Public Water System for Severe Weather			
12:00 pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN			

#### Day One: Tuesday, August 9 - Afternoon Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet			
1:30 pm	Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) 101	Creating a Backflow Program: Simple Steps to Success	Senate Bill 3: Compliance with Public Utility Commission (PUC)			
2:15 pm	LCRR Service Line Inventories	Right to Know: Troubleshooting Public Notice and Boil Water Notices	PUC Overview			
3:00 pm	BREAK / REFRESHMENTS					
3:30 pm	Holding Labs Accountable	Distribution Water Quality Management in Tanks	Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) - Conservation in the the State Water Plan / Conservation Programs and Activities			
4:15 pm	Action Level Exceedance (ALE) Requirements Under the Lead and Copper Rule	Water System Management	TWDB - Funds			
5:00 pm	DAY ONE WRAP-UP / EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM CLOSE					

#### Day Two: Wednesday, August 10 - Morning Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet		
8:00 am	EXHIBITS AND TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM OPEN				
8:00 am	Preparing for Water Quality Parameters (WQP) under the Lead and Copper Rule	News, Updates, and Frequently Asked Ques- tions about TCEQ Occupational Licensing	Source Water Protection (SWP)		
8:45 am	Choosing Sample Sites: Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) / Groundwater Rule (GWR)	Winter Storm - Lessons Learned	Looking for Funding and Other Assistance? Meet TWICC!		
9:30 am	BREAK / REFRESHMENTS				
10:00 am	RTCR: Actions After a Positive Result	Choosing Sampling Sites (DBP and Asbestos)	Creating a Successful Optimization Program Today		
10:45 am	Assessments: Overview and Common Find- ings	Operational Evaluation Level (OEL) Report	Troubleshooting at a Surface Water Treatment Plant		
11:30 am	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN / EXHIBITS CLOSE				

#### Day Two: Wednesday, August 10 - Afternoon Sessions

	Track One Salon A	Track Two Salon B	Track Three Bluebonnet
1:00 pm	Preparing for a Groundwater Investigation	Groundwater Rule / Concentration Time (CT) Studies	Free Chlorine Conversion Strategies
1:45 pm	Preparing for a Surface Water Investigation	Bac-Ts 101: What Happens at the Lab	Common Issues in Low-Pressure Membrane Plants
2:30 pm	BREAK / REFRESHMENTS		
3:00 pm	Disinfectant Residual Monitoring	Well Construction	Alternative Capacity Requirements (ACR) and Capacity Rules
3:45 pm	Enforcement Outreach and Assistance	Common Exceptions	How TCEQ Calculates Corrosivity for New Sources
4:30 pm	CONCLUSION / TCEQ TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ROOM CLOSES		

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## **Program Information**

The 2022 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference is FREE to attendees. Pre-registration is required.

#### *Thursday, June 9 at 9:00 AM CST* - Registration opens **Register at: https://cvent.utexas.edu/pdw2022**

#### **Conference Attendance Options**

The 2022 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 2022 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 <u>water</u> 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 Site Plans 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 (bring your sample site selection form 2467);
- Surface Water jar testing, filter assessments, data verification (bring a historic SWMOR, flash drive for latest version);
- TWICC;
- and more.

**PLEASE NOTE:** A hotel room reservation does <u>not</u> 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: https://tinyurl.com/txpdw2022

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 18 <u>OR</u> until the room block is full. Reservations received after this date are taken on a space available basis and are <u>not</u> guaranteed the discounted rate. To receive the conference rate, visit **https://tinyurl.com/txpdw2022**. 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/pdw2022

#### Parking

Registered attendees receive complimentary day parking in the Renaissance Austin surface lot. Overnight parking is \$10 per night for hotel guests. 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 8, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Meet and Greet Tuesday, August 9, 7:30 am - 5:00 pm: Exhibit Hall Open Wednesday, August 10, 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.

#### QUESTIONS? Call Customer Care at 512-471-2886 and ask for the TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference.

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The 2022 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 2022 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference!

Visit the conference website for the latest information: https://cvent.utexas.edu/pdw2022