2024 Environmental Trade Fair & Conference Draft Agenda

(All speakers are TCEQ staff unless otherwise noted)

Tuesday, May 14th

Education Tracks	8:30-9:30	10:30-11:30	1:00-2:00	2:15-3:15	4:00-5:00
OFFICE OF AIR: AIR PERMITTING, AIR QUALITY, AIR GRANTS BALLROOM EF	Air Permits Division Updates Overview of current APD issues. Samuel Short Level: Basic	New Source Review (NSR) Permits Step-by-step guide to the NSR case-by-case permitting process. Maryam Rasti Level: Basic	Recent Air Quality Research in Texas Summary of recent air quality research in Texas. Doug Boyer Level: Intermediate	How to Apply for Federal Operating Permits (Title V) Overview of the Title V application process including a discussion of STEERS. Rhyan Stone Level: Basic	Air Grants 101 Discussion of background and goals of TERP and an introduction to TERP grant programs. Bethany Blackstone Level: Basic
COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT ROOM 17AB	A New Revolution for TCEQ Public Data Learn how TCEQ is revolutionizing data publishing practices and capabilities through a powerful new platform. Grant Cardwell Level: Basic	From the Frontlines of Environmental Compliance and Enforcement An overview of compliance and enforcement trends, new legislation, and initiatives. Craig Pritzlaff Level: Basic	Texas Tier II Chemical Reporting Program Tier II program information, including background and laws, reporting requirements, and program evolution at TCEQ. Luke Furfey Level: Basic	Trending Topics at Petroleum Storage Tank Investigations Current and trending issues at PST Compliance, including investigations, installations, and removals since January 2021. Mike Pace; Steve Zawrotny Level: Basic	Overview of Fill Material Discussing regulatory interpretations for what fill material is and how it can be used. Alec Kana Level: Basic



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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ALONG THE TEXAS BORDER WITH MEXICO TUESDAY ONLY ROOM 15	Environmental Quality and Compliance Assistance along the Texas Border with Mexico How the TCEQ protects human health and natural resources along the Texas-Mexico border. David Ramirez; Eddie Moderow Level: Basic	Coahuila's Environmental Agenda: Challenges and Opportunities An overview of Coahuila's environmental policy on the border and beyond. Diana Susana Estens de la Garza, Secretary of Environment, Coahuila; Level: Intermediate	Lower Rio Grande Water Quality Initiative: Binational Salinity Study Innovative research addressing salinity spikes and improving water quality through binational collaboration. Dr. Jose Luis Fernandez Zayas, Universidad Autonoma de Mexico; Dr. David Eaton, University of Texas - Austin with support from Dr. Dan Sheer and Miguel Pavon Level: Intermediate	Water and Agriculture in the Lower Rio Grande Valley Diverse perspectives from agricultural and community leadership. Jim Darling, Region M Chair; Tudor Ulhorn, Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers, Inc.; Anthony Stambaugh, Hidalgo County Irrigation District #2 Level: Intermediate	Mexico's Water Policy and Binational Treaties Governing the Rio Grande and the Colorado River Homey Bon Santoyo, National Water Commission of Mexico (CONAGUA, by its Spanish acronym) Level: Intermediate



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INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS ROOM 18AB	Stormwater: MSGP Permitting Applicability for multi-sector general stormwater permits. Mackenzie Maserang, Lori Palmer Level: Basic	Stormwater: CGP Permitting Applicability for construction general stormwater permits. Katie Cunningham, Yvonne Rodriguez Level: Basic	Wastewater: e-Reporting Update General resources about wastewater treatment plants and a summary of their electronic reporting requirements. Theresa Carr, Rebecca Costigan Level: Basic	Basic Principles of Waste Determination Basic overview of the industrial and hazardous waste rules for generators. Charles Mortensen, Will Wyman Level: Basic	Pollution Prevention (P2) Planning Overview: How to comply with the Waste Reduction Policy Act and the P2 Planning rule. Shelby Williams Level: Basic RENEW Overview of resource exchange and how to best use renewtx.org. Juliana Sampson Level: Basic
LAB PRACTICES AND DATA REPORTING ROOM 19B	TCEQ Laboratory Accreditation Program Update An update on the TCEQ Laboratory Accreditation Program for 2024. D. Jody Koehler Level: Basic	Compliance Monitoring Data Portal (CMDP) for Public Water System Laboratories Discussion on the upcoming release of the CMDP and changes for public water system laboratories. James Stapel Level: Basic	PFAS State of the Union Current regulations and methods for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Taryn McKnight, Eurofins Environment Testing America Level: Intermediate	Data and Transparency: Back to the Future Discuss the current state of analytical data and where future monitoring is going. Judy Morgan, Pace Analytical Services, LLC Level: Intermediate	No Session Scheduled



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OIL AND GAS BALLROOM G	Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Program An overview of the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Program Jenny Torres, Heather Lancour Level: Basic	Navigating the Intersection Between TCEQ and Railroad Commission Authority How to determine whether TCEQ or RRC is responsible for waste, water quality, and emergency response. Diane Goss Level: Basic	Emissions Event Review, Part 1 Overview of TCEQ's emissions event review process, requirements for emissions events, and common violations. Susan Thompson, Keith Sheedy, Kendra Houston Level: Basic	Emissions Event Review, Part 2 Review of common emissions event violations, excessive emissions events, and frequently asked questions. Susan Thompson, Keith Sheedy, Kendra Houston Level: Basic	Oil and Gas Wastewater Permitting An overview of the oil and gas wastewater permitting program. Alyssa Loveday Level: Basic



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TOXICOLOGY UPDATES TUESDAY ONLY ROOM 12AB	TCEQ Screening Levels Explained: A Guide to Effects Screening Levels and Air Monitoring Comparison Values Discussion of screening levels used for air permitting and for comparison to air monitoring data. Sabine Lange, Ph.D., DABT; Darrell McCant, MPH, DABT Level: Intermediate	TCEQ's Development Support Documents: Development of Inhalation and Oral Toxicity Factors for Risk Assessment Explanation of TCEQ's Development Support Documents in development of toxicity factors used in risk assessment. Janet Petruska Hamilton, Ph.D., DABT Level: Intermediate Systematic Review and Its Role in Risk Assessment Introduction to systematic review and its function in support of transparent and robust risk assessments. Jonathn D. Urban, Ph.D., DABT, ToxStrategies, LLC Level: Intermediate	Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS): Health Effects and Regulatory Updates Brief overview of PFAS toxicology, contamination in Texas, and regulatory updates. Caroline Emery, MSC; Allison Jenkins, MPH Level: Advanced	Update on Ambient Air Monitoring of Particulates and Crystalline Silica Near APO Facilities Evaluation of ambient air particulates, including crystalline silica measured near aggregate production operation facilities. Tracie Phillips, Ph.D. Level: Intermediate Occupational Lung Disease (Silicosis) Associated with Engineered Stone Countertop Manufacturing and Fabrication Overview of silicosis associated with engineered stone countertop manufacturing and fabrication in Texas and U.S. Ketki Patel, M.D., PhD, MPH, Texas Department of State Health Services Level: Intermediate	TCEQ's Mobile Monitoring Capabilities and an Update on Mobile Monitoring Comparison Values Capability of mobile air monitoring and an update on fit-for- purpose mobile monitoring comparison values Marie Stephensen, MS; Lisa Westbrook, MSc Level: Intermediate



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UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL TUESDAY ONLY ROOM 19A	TCEQ UIC Program Updates Updates from the Underground Injection Control Permits Section. Bryan Smith Level: Basic EPA Region 6 UIC Section Changes and Updates Updates on recent changes to R6 UIC staffing, projects, duties, and priorities. Ken Johnson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 6 Office Level: Basic	The Class VI Permitting Process and Updates to Class VI State Primacy: EPA Region 6 Overview of the Class VI permitting process and updates to state Class VI primacy. Brody Friesenhahn, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 6 Level: Intermediate	Modeling Area of Review (AoR) for CO2 Injection How to define AoR current requirements and best practices to model CO2 injection under Class VI permitting guidelines. Dr. Seyyed Hosseini, Bureau of Economic Geology, Jackson School of Geosciences, University of Texas Level: Advanced	21st Century Updates to EPA's No Migration Petition Program Discussion on the digitization of the Class I No Migration Petition program. Forrest Frederick, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 6, Groundwater/UIC Level: Intermediate	Common Class I Application Notice of Deficiencies (NODs) Overview of common NODs during the administrative and technical review of a Class I application. Chelsea Brown, Sarah Schreier, Pavan Bairu Level: Intermediate



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WASTE MANAGEMENT: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE TUESDAY ONLY ROOM 18CD	Insights into Scrap Tire Reports and Solid Waste Grant Success Stories Learn about scrap tire management trends and regional solid waste grant project highlights. Melissa Harrison, Marissa Gibbs Level: Basic	Fundamentals of Composting Learn the basic biological, physical, and chemical processes that turn organic residuals into marketable compost. Risa Weinberger, Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc. Level: Intermediate Overview of Composting Requirements Learn about authorization tiers and applicable requirements for composting in Texas. Jason Baiocchi Level: Basic	Waste Acceptance Plans and Removing Prohibited Waste Learn how waste acceptance plans prevent prohibited waste from entering landfills and remediation plans. Michael H. Smith Level: Intermediate	Case Study: Landfill Gas Exceedances Learn the impacts of landfill gas exceedances and real-world examples of successful remediation techniques. Chance Robinson, Armando Barrera Level: Intermediate	Subchapter T Permits: Life After the Landfill Learn the requirements of using the area over a closed landfill for new activities. Arin Anderson, Madison Howard Level: Intermediate



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WASTEWATER PERMITTING ROOM 16AB	Water Quality Division Update Update on TCEQ Water Quality Division activities. Robert Sadlier Level: Basic Wastewater Treatment System Regionalization: What You Need to Know Explanation of the regionalization requirements using the new guidance document RG-632 approved in August 2023. J. Alfonso Martinez III Level: Basic	Online Submissions for Industrial and Municipal Wastewater Individual Permits Application demonstration and best practices for new, renewal, and amended industrial and municipal individual permits. Erwin Madrid Level: Basic NeT-MS4: What to Know About the New Electronic Application System for Small MS4 Operators Amended overview of the NeT-MS4 electronic application system for small MS4 operators in Texas. Macayla Coleman Level: Basic	TPDES Standards Implementation Review Process and Stream Biological Sampling Presentation on review process for TPDES permits, including stream flow, nutrient screenings, and stream sampling. C. Brad Caston Level: Intermediate Critical Conditions for Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permits Overview of mixing zones and how effluent dilutions are determined for TPDES permits. Brian Christman III Level: Advanced	Dissolved Oxygen Modeling of Surface Waters for TPDES Permits Overview of the dissolved oxygen modeling process for surface waters associated with TPDES- permitted discharges. Orlando Vasquez, P.E. Level: Advanced Water Quality- Based Effluent Limitations: How They Are Calculated? Overview and discussion on the calculations of water quality-based effluent limits for industrial facilities. Cole Gray, Ph.D. Level: Advanced	A Look at the 2024 Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer General Permit Renewal Comprehensive overview of the upcoming 2024 renewal of the small MS4 general permit. Macayla Coleman, Rebecca Villalba Level: Intermediate 2023 Stormwater Construction General Permit Requirements and Electronic Application Process Overview of the 2023 general permit requirements and the electronic application process for construction operators. Jesse Gress-Alamilla, Leland Moore Level: Intermediate



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WATER ROOM 14	How to Complete Surface Water Right Application Strategies and tips on completing the TCEQ Surface Water Right application. Andrew Garcia, Jeremy Walker-Lee, Trent Jennings, George Gable Level: Intermediate	Improving Stormwater Runoff in the Galveston Bay Watershed Finding solutions to nonpoint source pollution through green infrastructure projects in the Galveston Bay watershed. Kari Howard Level: Basic The TCEQ Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Program An overview of the TMDL program. Lauren Dawson, Daniela Mejia Level: Basic	Open Channel and Piped Water Flow Measurements Demonstration of water flow measurement equipment. Joseph Nichols, Samantha Stillman Level: Intermediate	Texas Surface Water Quality Standards Update An overview of the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards and status of proposed revisions. Sarah Whitley Level: Intermediate TCEQ's Surface Water Quality Monitoring Program and the Texas Integrated Report (IR) Overview of surface water quality data collection activities and the development of the Texas Integrated Report. Andrew Sullivan Level: Intermediate	How to Update Surface Water Right Ownership and Water Use Reporting Streamlining the water right ownership transfer process and how to report water usage. Jazzmin Hernandez, Morgan Cantu Level: Intermediate



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OFFICE OF AIR: AIR PERMITTING, AIR QUALITY, AIR GRANTS BALLROOM EF	Texas Air Quality Update Update on the latest Texas air quality planning activities and federal National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Denine Calvin, Mitchell Moreno Level: Intermediate	PSD, NA, and Netting Prevention of significant deterioration and nonattainment requirements, including offsets and netting examples. Sandya Bhaskara, P.E. Level: Advanced	Online Air Emissions and Inspection Fee Reporting Overview of new STEERS program currently under development to report air fee data online. Lindsey Xiao Level: Basic	Standardized Authorizations: Permits by Rule and Standard Permits Overview of standard authorizations and workbooks. Joshua Wheatley, Alexander Hilla Level: Intermediate	Texas Particulate Matter Air Monitoring Network Overview of the particulate matter air monitoring network and anticipated changes. Holly Landuyt Level: Intermediate
COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE AND ENFORCEMENT ROOM 17AB	Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) for Public Water Systems Overview of TCEQ's requirements for EPPs, including required documentation. Crystal Watkins Level: Basic	Petroleum Refinery Benzene Fenceline Monitoring Overview of benzene fenceline monitoring requirements and data trends since reporting began. Michael Miller Level: Basic	Introduction to the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program Overview of the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program and common issues found in application submittals. Lillian Butler Level: Basic	Stack Test Submittals Using STORS Overview of the requirements for using STORS, the stack test notification and report submittal system. Elizabeth Smith Level: Basic	Introduction to Stack Testing Purposes, principles, and methods TCEQ uses to investigate stack tests. Banks Miller Level: Basic



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LAB PRACTICES AND DATA REPORTING ROOM 19B	TCEQ's Quality Assurance Program: How it Benefits You An overview of TCEQ Quality Assurance Program's purpose, how it works, and how it assists other programs. D. Jody Koehler Level: Basic	Timeline of Sample and Analytical Methods for Ethylene Oxide An overview and timeline of sampling and analytical techniques to measure airborne ethylene oxide will be presented. Rock J. Vitale, CEAC, Environmental Standards, Inc. Level: Advanced	Changes Coming to the 2016 TNI Laboratory Accreditation Standard This presentation will review all the changes to allow laboratories to begin preparing. Paul Junio, The NELAC Institute (TNI) Level: Intermediate	Next Generation of Leaching Methods: U.S. EPA's LEAF Methods Presentation provides background on the four LEAF methods and guidance on how they are performed. Patricia McIsaac, Eurofins Environment Testing Level: Basic	No Session Scheduled



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NUCLEAR AND RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS ROOM 15	What's New in the TCEQ Radioactive Materials Program Latest program developments in low-level radioactive waste and uranium mining in Texas. Chance Goodin Level: Basic Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Update on the Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission. Stephen Raines, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission Level: Intermediate	2024 Uranium Industry Update Overview of Texas and United States uranium industry. Craig Wall, Uranium Energy Corp. Level: Intermediate	Texas Advanced Nuclear Reactor Working Group Panel discussion: How advanced nuclear reactors can provide safe, reliable, and affordable power for Texas. Commissioner Bobby Janecka; Commissioner Jimmy Glotfelty, Public Utility Commission; Preeti Patel, Dow X- energy; Doug Robison, Natura Resources Level: Intermediate	Radioactive Waste: Sources, Types and Classes An overview of radioactive waste identification and relevant regulations. David Carlson, Waste Control Specialists Level: Intermediate	Texas Department of State Health Services: Radiation Section Overview Radiation protection: From licensing to emergency response. Lisa Bruedigan, Texas Department of State Health Services Level: Intermediate



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OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING WEDNESDAY ONLY ROOM 19A	Updates Impacting Occupational Licensing and Registration Division Occupational licensing, upcoming rule making, resiliency training, provisional licenses, and HS programs for water operators. Jaya Zyman Level: Basic Criminal History Overview An overview of the criminal history review process and occupational license pre- evaluations. Kenneth Smith Level: Basic	News, Updates, and Frequently Asked Questions About TCEQ Occupational Licensing An overview of news, updates, and FAQs about TCEQ Occupational Licensing. Ashley Robledo Level: Basic What Happens After My License Expires? Steps required to renew or reobtain an occupational license. Teresa Etheredge Level: Basic	Training Credit Troubleshooting and Resiliency Updates Troubleshooting training credit issues and new resiliency requirements updates. Samantha Royall, Megan Brown Level: Basic	Occupational Licensing Training Provider Updates Presentation guiding training providers through training approval and instructor qualification process. Paul Munguia Level: Basic	No Session Scheduled



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OIL AND GAS (INCLUDES ETHICS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS) BALLROOM G	Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors: Professional Practice Update and Ethics Updates on engineering ethics, code of conduct, and Board activities. Michael Sims, P.E., Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Level: Basic	Ethics Training for Professional Geoscientists 2024 Laws, regulations, and examples regarding P.G. licensee ethics in Texas. Mark N. Varhaug, P.G., Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists Level: Basic	EPA's Oil and Gas Sector: Greenhouse Gas Final Rulemaking Overview of EPA's final greenhouse gas rules for new and existing oil and gas sources. Dan Sims Level: Intermediate	Challenges and Opportunities for Managing Produced Water in the Permian Basin Challenges related to subsurface disposal of increasing volumes of produced water in the Permian Basin. Dr. Bridget Scanlon, Bureau of Economic Geology, Jackson School of Geosciences, University of Texas Level: Intermediate	Regulatory Requirements for Engines A high-level overview of rules, regulations, and permit requirements that are applicable to engines. Megan Horton Level: Basic
WASTE MANAGEMENT: INDUSTRIAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTE WEDNESDAY ONLY ROOM 18CD	In Depth Summary of the Solar Panel Recycling Process Overview of used solar panel recycling, including the implementation of hazardous secondary material programs. David Robinson, Ph.D., Solarcycle, Inc. Level: Advanced	Overview of Hazardous and Industrial Waste Classification and Regulation Regulatory compliance for the determination and classification of hazardous and nonhazardous industrial waste in Texas. Tess Johnston, Yahaira Reyes Level: Intermediate	Current Practices and Issues in Electric Vehicle Battery Recycling Review of large format electric battery end of life management, recycling process, and safety issues. Martin Torres Level: Advanced	Exploring the Intricacies of Identifying and Managing HSM Hazardous Secondary Materials: Considering factors such as exemptions and conditional exclusions. Anita Mathew Level: Intermediate	Unraveling the Complexities of Universal Waste A survey of universal waste regulations, types of universal hazardous wastes, and management standards. Elizabeth Slone Level: Intermediate



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WASTE REMEDIATION WEDNESDAY ONLY ROOM 12AB	Texas Risk Reduction Program: Plume Management Zone Use of a Plume Management Zone as a remedy for affected groundwater. Mike Duffin, Ph.D., PG Level: Intermediate	Required Use of Method 5035 Method SW846-5035 overview for volatile organic compounds. History, requirements, tips, special considerations, and FAQs answered. Marites (Tess) Abbott Level: Intermediate	Voluntary Cleanup Program Sites with Former Unregistered Landfills Approaches for addressing buried waste material at VCP sites with case studies. Krista Brandt Level: Intermediate	Investigating and Reporting Uncommon Petroleum Storage Tank Releases Discuss the appropriate actions for nonroutine spills and releases subject to 30 TAC Chapter 334. James Garner Level: Intermediate	EPA Region 6: Brownfields and Beyond How to use an EPA Brownfields grant and technical assistance to benefit your community. Marsha Lay; SeLena Cosma, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 Level: Intermediate



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WASTEWATER PERMITTING ROOM 16AB	Industrial Wastewater Permitting Process Industrial wastewater permitting process overview, discussion on regulatory updates, and summary of tips for applicants. Adam Luvian Level: Intermediate Produced Wastewater Permitting Produced wastewater permitting process overview, location considerations, and available options for general and individual permits. Alyssa Loveday Level: Intermediate	Introduction to the TPDES Pretreatment Program for Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) Overview of TPDES Pretreatment Program requirements with an update on important rules. Amy Golden-Leddy, Devon Thomas Level: Intermediate Identifying Industrial Users: Tools Available to POTWs Review of TPDES permit application requirements and overview of tools available for identifying industrial users. Erin Darling, Ph.D. Level: Intermediate	Domestic Reclaimed Water Production Facilities Overview of regulations associated with domestic reclaimed water production facilities and reclaimed water uses. Baltazar Lucero- Ramirez, Ph.D., P.E. Level: Intermediate Beneficial Reuse Authorizations for Treated Industrial Wastewater Overview of regulations and how to obtain an authorization to beneficially reuse treated industrial wastewater. Thomas Starr, P.E. Level: Intermediate	What's New with the Stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit? Overview of the Stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit and the proposed 2024 permit amendments. Hannah Cobos, Monica Alba-Garcia Level: Intermediate Municipal Wastewater Permits Overview of municipal wastewater permit applications, draft permit development procedures, and the permit issuance process. Deba P. Dutta, P.E. Level: Intermediate	Annual Homeland Security Update and Best Management Practices Overview on Homeland Security updates and best management practices for emergency preparedness and disaster response. Baltazar Lucero- Ramirez, Ph.D., P.E. Level: Intermediate Update on Current Revisions to Design Criteria for Wastewater Treatment Systems Overview of 30 TAC Chapter 217 rule text revisions and update on rulemaking status. Louis C. Herrin III, P.E. Level: Intermediate



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WATER ROOM 14	Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Rule A road map of the PFAS rule including standards, sampling, and treatment requirements. Matthew Munro Level: Basic	Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI) 101 A road map of the LCRI including inventories, sampling, treatment, and line replacement requirements. Seth Kramer Level: Basic	Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) Service Line Inventories Discussion of timelines, resources, and tips for completing service line inventories under the LCRR. Lillian Johnson Level: Basic	Public Water System Generator Maintenance Now that you have a generator, learn how to take care of it. Clayton Nicolardi Level: Basic	Public Water System Corrosivity Discussion on common causes of corrosion in drinking water and treatment options for managing it. Clayton Nicolardi Level: Basic