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2024 Western Pacific Water & Wastewater Conference September 11- 13, 2024, Hyatt Regency Hotel Guam

Call for Abstracts

The Western Pacific Subsection of the AWWA-HI is soliciting individuals interested in presenting papers at the 2024 Western Pacific Water & Wastewater Conference to submit an abstract describing the subject matter for consideration and evaluation of the proposed topic.

The theme of the conference is "Emerging Challenges for Pacific Island Water Providers" This year we are planning to have a hybrid conference (in-person for 3 days and virtually for September 11, 2024). We are interested in addressing issues related to challenges in our region. Issues such as treating PFAS and other emerging contaminants, impacts from climate change especially draught, aging infrastructure, high cost of construction including labor and material, wastewater surveillance for infections, attracting and keeping qualified operators and other skilled workers are a few topics for discussion.

All interested parties are encouraged to submit abstracts which may be of benefit to the target audience of water and wastewater system operators, managers, engineers, scientists, regulatory and industry professionals in the region.

Presentations will follow a 30-minute format, with 20-25 minutes for presentations and 5-10 minutes for questions/discussion. Selection for inclusion in the conference program will be based on regional participation, technical content and quality.

Abstracts due: August 12, 2024
Presenters notified by: August 19, 2024
Presentations due by: September 6, 2024

Speakers will be responsible for their own transportation, accommodations; however, conference registration fees will be waived on the day of the presentation.

Please email your abstract and/or questions to the Planning Committee members Julie Mendoza at <u>julie.mendoza@epa.guam.gov</u>, Nick Manley at <u>nmanley@hdrinc.com</u> or John Riegel at <u>JRiegel@BrwnCald.com</u>.

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