

New Jersey Water Association
2026
Annual Management & Technical Conference
Call for Presentation

General Guidelines

The New Jersey Water Association Annual Technical Conference is a premier training forum for water and wastewater industry operators, managers and decision makers. The Association invites professional presentations on all suitable topics related to the industry. Class descriptions and speaker names will be printed in the Conference Program. Eligible classes will be assigned to New Jersey Training Contact Hours (TCHs).

Most classes are scheduled for 30-60 minutes. Instructors should be prepared to begin their class on time and fill the entire block allotted. Questions from the attendees are encouraged.

NJWATER reserves the right to accept or reject any proposed class or instructor.

Class Title

The title for your presentation should be a concise, straightforward description of the primary content of the class. Avoid long or complex class titles.

Class Description

The class description will be printed in the conference program and should give attendees an overview of the major topics of your class. Descriptions should be between 75 – 100 words. Longer descriptions may be submitted but will be edited due to space constraints.

Instructor Biography

The instructor biography will be used when we introduce you. The biography should give attendees an overview of your relevant experience. Biographies should be between 75 – 100 words. Longer biographies may be submitted but will be edited due to space constraints.

What We're Looking For

We are seeking **informative, practical, and non-commercial presentations** that help operators better understand systems, regulations, and solutions.

Strong submissions will:

- Focus on **education and knowledge sharing—not product promotion**
- Translate technical topics into **practical, operator-friendly insights**
- Include **real-world applications, case studies, or demonstrations**
- Provide **clear takeaways that can be applied in the field**
- Address **regulatory requirements, operational improvements, or emerging challenges**

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- Support **attendee engagement both in sessions and through broader conference participation**

Preference may be given to organizations that actively participate in the conference, including exhibitors and sponsors, as part of supporting a well-rounded and engaging program.

Priority Topics

We welcome presentations on current and emerging issues, including:

Treatment & Plant Operations

- Process optimization and performance improvements
- Troubleshooting and operational challenges
- Chemical systems, filtration, and disinfection
- Nutrient removal and regulatory-driven operations

Distribution & Collection Systems

- Infrastructure maintenance and rehabilitation
- Leak detection technologies and strategies
- Sewer system management and I&I reduction
- Pump stations and system reliability

Regulatory Compliance (NJ-Focused)

- NJDEP rules, guidance, and updates
- Sampling, reporting, and inspection readiness
- PFAS, Lead & Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI)
- Practical approaches to maintaining compliance

Hands-On & Demonstration-Based Sessions

- Equipment demonstrations (live or recorded)
- Step-by-step operational or maintenance practices
- Technology applications in real-world settings
- Interactive or scenario-based sessions

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 **Asset Management & Maintenance**

- Preventative maintenance strategies
- Equipment lifecycle and reliability
- Asset management tools and implementation

 **Cybersecurity for Water & Wastewater**

- Protecting SCADA and control systems
- Cyber risk management for utilities
- Incident response and recovery planning
- Federal and state guidance (EPA, DHS, NJCCIC, etc.)

 **Technology & Innovation**

- SCADA, automation, and controls
- Data-driven operations and decision-making
- Emerging tools and technologies (with proven applications)

 **Case Studies & Lessons Learned**

- Implementation of new technologies or processes
- Project outcomes and performance results
- Challenges encountered and how they were addressed

Session Expectations

All sessions should:

- Be **educational and non-commercial in nature**
 - Avoid sales pitches or product marketing
 - Focus on **real applications, not theory alone**
 - Be understandable and relevant to **system operators**
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Who Should Present?

We encourage proposals from:

- Equipment manufacturers and solution providers
 - Engineering firms and consultants
 - State and federal regulatory agencies
 - Industry experts and technical specialists
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Submit Your Proposal

Please complete the submission form below.

 **Submission Deadline:** [July 15, 2026]

 **Questions:** [events@njwater.org]

Interested in exhibiting or sponsoring? Participating organizations may have additional opportunities to engage with attendees, including educational sessions.