

# 2024 Arkansas Water & Wastewater Managers Association Annual Conference: July 24-27, Hot Springs, Arkansas



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The Arkansas Water & Wastewater Managers Association (“AWWMA”) will hold its annual conference from July 24-July 27.

The conference will be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Scheduled presentations include:

- Lonnie Emard
- **Arkansas Center for Data Sciences**
- Mike Rogers
- **Arkansas’s Chief Workforce Officer**
- Glenda Caton, Caton Consulting
- **Retention and Recruitment**
- Jean Block, AWWMA Vice President
- **Training/Recruitment/Succession Planning**
- Arkansas Department of Health (Speaker TBD)
- Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment (Speaker TBD)
- Ryan Benefield
- **Arkansas Natural Resources Department**
- Jean Block, AWWMA Vice President
- **Financing/CIP/Regulatory Requirements**
- Lane Crider, Beaver Water District
- Chelsea Boozer, Rogue Water Lab
- Paul Graham, Heber Springs Water
- **Messaging your Utility. Connecting with your Residents**
- Scott Pace, Impact Management
- **Communicating with Lobbyists & Legislators**
- Lori Ramsey, Fort Smith Water Utilities
- Kenetta Ridgell, Little Rock Water Reclamation Authority
- Brandi Reed, Pine Bluff Wastewater
- **Use of Social Media in Communicating with the Public**

The AWWMA describes itself as a nonprofit organization to promote continued education and professional development of water and wastewater management; the advancement and promotion of higher standards of qualification in the water and wastewater fields; the study, promotion and encouragement of improved water and wastewater management practices; the promotion of good public affairs in the community understanding, acceptance, and support of water and wastewater operations; and the support of the Arkansas Water Works & Water Environmental Association, American Water Works Association, and Water Environment Federation.

A link to AWWMA's website containing the schedule and registration information can be found [here](#).