Managing Your Biosolids In Tough Economic Times

California’s challenging economy is impacting the budgets of wastewater agencies throughout the State, and municipalities are looking for ways to save money while maintaining a high level of service and complying with regulations.

Many municipalities are facing huge budget deficits, increasing the pressure on managers to seek long term lower cost solutions for biosolids reuse and disposal. Cost control is becoming one of the most important factors affecting determination of management options and selection of biosolids service providers. During the housing boom, we saw the growth of costly, high tech biosolids options, but recently there has been a proliferation of lower cost alternatives giving agencies more choices.

Key learning questions that will be addressed by leading industry experts include:

- What impacts are the current economic and regulatory conditions having on the industry?
- How is the industry adapting to these conditions?
- What are the lessons learned about biosolids reuse/disposal in today’s economy?
- What approaches are municipalities using to control costs?
- What management options are available for reducing costs?
- What are the new technologies and disposal/reuse options?
- What are the factors in comparing/evaluating those options?
- What regulatory issues exist or are on the horizon?

These are just few of the questions we’ll address. The workshop is designed give biosolids managers, O&M staff, engineers, vendors and regulators the latest info for decision making in today’s economy.

Speakers: Greg Kester, CASA; Matt Bao, LACSD; Diane Gilbert, City of Los Angeles; Tom Mereligiano, OCSD; Eric Have; Encina Wastewater Agency; Layne Baroldi, Synagro; William Skinner, Holloway Environmental; Jeff Thurber, Terra Renewal; Jeff Meberg, Nursery Products.

Chair and Moderator: Jon Hay, Black & Veatch

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