AN INVITATION TO EXHIBITORS

2015 Northern Regional Training Conference (NRTC)
CWEA ~ Don’t Doubt The Drought – Engage, Connect & Learn
DoubleTree by Hilton, Sacramento
September 8–10, 2015

You’re cordially invited to join more than 400 people involved in the water quality field in California at the 2015 Northern Regional Training Conference (NRTC) of the California Water Environment Association (CWEA). Attendees are vocational specialists responsible for the operation and maintenance of wastewater facilities in California. In addition, most have direct influence on the purchasing of equipment and supplies for their agencies.

Exhibiting your products/services is one of the most cost-effective marketing tools available because it puts you in contact with your potential customers, reduces your outside sales calls, builds new business, and cements customer relationships.

Event Schedule:

- **Tuesday, September 8, 2015:**
  - 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.: Set-up in Hotel Ballroom
  - 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.: Ice-Breaker Reception at Doubletree Hotel

- **Wednesday, September 9, 2015:**
  - 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.: Set-up, Finishing touches in Ballroom
  - 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.: Exhibits Open
  - 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.: Exhibitor Hosted Reception on Exhibit Floor
  - 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.: Break down

Join us at the 2015 Northern Regional Training Conference, showcasing your products, services, and information needed by wastewater industry leaders. We will work hard to make your time at the conference beneficial.

Please review the enclosed materials carefully and send in your registration material today. We assign booths as applications and payments are received. Historically, this conference has been a lot of fun, informative, and well attended by many agencies. Booth space is limited so don’t miss this opportunity to showcase your business.

We look forward to having you join us in Sacramento to help make this a memorable event for everyone who attends!

Sincerely,

Mike Knight
Exhibit Chair
EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

CWEA Northern Regional Training Conference, Sept. 8–10, 2015
DoubleTree by Hilton, Sacramento, CA

LOCATION:
CWEA’s 2015 Northern Regional Training Conference will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton located at 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento CA 95815.

CONFERENCE EXHIBIT DATE:
Wednesday, September 9, 2015:
Exhibit Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

BOOTH SIZE AND STANDARD EQUIPMENT INCLUDED:
Standard indoor booth size is 10’ wide X 8’ deep and will include a 6’ table, two chairs, one ID sign, pipe and drape, and 500 watt electrical outlet. Exhibitors must provide their own extension cords.

BOOTH RATES:
The cost is $600 for an indoor 10’ wide X 8’ deep booth. Outdoor truck booths are $900.

SET-UP:
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Wednesday, September 9, 2015  9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

EXHIBITOR HOSTED RECEPTION:
Wednesday, September 9, 2015  4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

BREAK-DOWN:
Wednesday, September 9, 2015  6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
NOTE: Early Break Down is NOT allowed. Trucks must roll out on Wednesday, no exceptions.

MAILING LIST:
As an added benefit to your exhibit space at the NRTC, you will receive by email a mailing list for all pre-registered attendees approximately three weeks prior to the event followed by another post event list after the event. In accordance with our policies, the list will contain the attendee’s name, company, and mailing address.

EXHIBITOR HOUSING:
The CWEA has reserved blocks of rooms for Northern Regional Training Conference at the DoubleTree Sacramento at a discounted rate. You will receive this information by email when housing is open.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Due to high temperatures in Sacramento, it is suggested that all outdoor booths bring a pop tent to avoid being in direct sunlight.

QUESTIONS?
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(510) 382-7800 x 115  (209) 830-8600
1. Booth Rental Prices: Member: Indoor booth 10’ x 8’ = $600.00   Outdoor truck booth = $900.00

2. Booth Locations will be reserved and assigned on a ‘first-come first served’ basis until all spaces have been sold. Booth requests received beyond the spaces available (that are accompanied with a check or guaranteed with a credit card) will be put on a priority waiting list in the order they are received.

3. Company/Organization: ____________________________
   Mailing Address: ____________________________
   City: __________________ State: ______ Zip: ______
   Name of person that has verified the space required for equipment to be displayed will fit in the booth(s) reserved: ____________________________
   Phone (_____) ____________________ FAX (_____) ____________________
   E-mail: ____________________________

4. Name of Contact Person (if different than above): ____________________________
   Phone (_____) ____________________ E-mail: ____________________________

5. Company Representative(s) who will need name badges (maximum of 4 per booth will be provided). Additional Representatives must register for the conference.

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6. Identification Sign should read exactly as follows: ____________________________

7. Conference Program Listing should read exactly as follows: ____________________________

8. On-Site Exhibitor Listing – Please attach a 25 word or less, typed factual description of product or service to be exhibited. Your company description will appear in the exhibitor listing that all attendees receive.

9. Please indicate your preference for booth location specific to other companies or businesses: We will do our very best to accommodate your preference, but we cannot guarantee requests.
   a) Close to: ____________________________
   b) Away from: ____________________________
   c) Choice of Booth: 1st # _______ 2nd # _______ 3rd # _______ 4th # _______

10. Would your company like to donate a prize for the door prize drawing? Yes ☐ No ☐
    A listing of contributing Exhibitors will be announced in the Exhibit area and Exhibitor Hosted Reception.
11. Please read the **CWEA EXHIBIT RULES AND REGULATIONS.** They were revised in January of 2010. These regulations become a part of the contract between the exhibitor and CWEA. CWEA respectfully asks the full cooperation of the exhibitors in their observance. All points not covered are subject to the decision of CWEA. Applications will not be accepted without an authorized company representative’s signature.

I accept the terms and conditions of exhibit regulations accompanying this contract.

Authorized Company Representative’s Signature and Title: __________________________  Date: ____________

Printed Name of Authorized Company Representative: ____________________________

12. **Payment Calculation:**

   Number of Booths requested: _____  $__________

   - Indoor booth 10’ x 8’ = $600.00

   - Outdoor truck booth = $900.00

   Would your company like to contribute $50.00 to the prize fund?  $__________

Total Due: $__________

13. **Payment Method:** (please check all that apply)

   _____ I am enclosing a check, made payable to CWEA NRTC 2015

   _____ I wish to use my charge card to pay for my registration in the amount of $__________

   ☐ Visa  ☐ MasterCard  ☐ Discover Card  ☐ American Express

Credit Card Number: __________________________  Billing Zip Code: __________

Authorized signature: __________________________  Date: ____________

Name on Card: __________________________  Expiration date: ____________

(Please print)

Please check to be sure that you have completed all sections and signed this before mailing. These forms must be returned with your payment to:

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**California Water Environment Association**

7677 Oakport Street, Suite #600, Oakland, CA 94621

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**EXHIBIT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

*CWEA Northern Regional Training Conference, Sept. 8–10, 2015*

*DoubleTree by Hilton, Sacramento, CA*

**SHOW MANAGEMENT:** CWEA, as it appears in the following rules and regulations, shall mean the California Water Environment Association (CWEA) Board of Directors, who determines the interpretation and enforcement of the following rules and regulations. The decision of the Board of Directors is final.

**AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO EXHIBIT:** In the interests of safety, no one under the age of 18 is permitted in the Exposition during set-up, during the Exposition, or during tear-down, unless accompanied by an adult.

**ADMISSION HOURS:** Exhibitors will only be allowed on the floor 1 hour prior to the opening on Exhibition Dates (except set up hours.) If for some reason an exhibitor must stay at his exhibit after the daily show closing, special arrangements need to be made with Show Management. This procedure will enable us to notify our security personnel.

Exhibitors may not hold any meetings or events that conflict with the Exhibition or Conference Hours.

**AISLE SPACE:** All aisle space is under control of CWEA and must not be used in any way for exhibit space.

**BOOTH ASSIGNMENT:** No exhibitor will assign, sublet, or share the space assigned without the knowledge and consent of the CWEA Exhibit Chair and staff. (However, no notification is required for third-party payors.)

**BOOTH PERSONNEL BADGES:** All personnel representing the exhibitor on the exhibit floor during the official show hours must be properly identified with the official conference badge. Exhibitor registration will be open during setup of the exhibition and throughout the duration of the show.

**CANCELLATION OF SHOW:** Should the conference and exhibition be canceled, postponed, or abandoned due to fire, strikes, weather, act of terrorism in the immediate area of the conference, curtailment of transportation or other uncontrollable circumstances before the opening date, the exhibit space contract will not be binding and exhibitors will receive refunds.

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE:** Exhibitor will maintain the following insurance for the entire period of the Exhibition:

- Worker’s Compensation Insurance to meet statutory requirements and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than $500,000
- General Liability Insurance having a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage in the amount not less than $2,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate.
- Coverage under this insurance shall include Contractual Liability, Product Liability and Personal Injury Liability
- Certificate of Insurance must be furnished if requested by CWEA however, failure to request proof of insurance shall not relieve Exhibitors from carrying the above coverage.

**CONFLICTS/ISSUES:** For any issues that arise during exhibit set-up and hours, CWEA will work with the Exhibitors to handle the issue to determine the best course of action. However, CWEA will not issue a monetary refund for the current year’s booth fees.

**CONTRACT:** The booth regulations and guidelines shall become a part of the contract between the exhibitor and CWEA. All points not covered are subject to decision of CWEA. Applications will not be accepted unless the exhibitor has signed (as part of the application) that they have reviewed and have received the booth regulations and guidelines policy.

**DAMAGE LIABILITY:** Exhibitors are liable for any damage caused to building floor, walls, columns, or to standard equipment or other decorator property.

**DECORATION STANDARDS:** No combustible decorations, such as crepe paper, tissue paper, cardboard, or corrugated paper, shall be used at any time. All packing containers, excelsior, and wrapping paper should be removed from the floor and must not be stored under tables. In order to conform to local fire ordinances, as well as the National Board of Fire Underwriters, all decorative materials, including fabrics, must be fire resistant and meet with standards established by the Fire Marshal’s Office. Balloons may or may not be allowed due to fire code and infra-red devices. The decorator will advise exhibitors if they are allowed and what fees may apply. No live animals of any size will be permitted within the show facility with the exception of service animals.
DISPLAY REGULATIONS: No exhibit may block or interfere with a neighboring exhibit. Height is the most critical dimension of these display rules. The objective is to assure that every exhibitor has an equal opportunity to be seen. In general, greater heights are permitted in booths farthest removed from adjoining booths. Lower height limitations prevail where they are necessary to ensure sight lines from aisles.

Specific regulations to particular booth types:

- Standard Booth (One or more standard units in a straight line): Maximum display height is 8 feet high. If the display is over 4 feet high it needs to be confined to an area within 5 feet of the back line.

- Exhibitors with a larger space (30 lineal feet or more) should also be able to effectively use as much of the total floor space as long as they do not interfere with the rights of others. There is a limitation of display fixtures over 4 feet and within 10 lineal feet of a neighboring exhibit.

- End Cap Booth (Peninsula booth, two or more booths side by side at the end of an aisle): Exhibitors may not exceed the backwall height of 8 feet in the center 10 feet. Booths may also not exceed the backwall height of 4 feet in the outer 5 feet.

- Island Booth (A collection of four or more booths contracted by one exhibitor with 360 degree aisle access) Since island booths are automatically separated by the aisle, full use of the floor space is permitted, however any back walls or drapes set along the booth perimeter may not be higher than 4 feet.

Structural elements must be designed to be self-supporting. Nothing can be taped, mounted or attached in any form or manners to walls, doors or facility structure. The driving of nails, tacks, screws into floors, walls, columns, ceilings or trim will not be permitted.

Hanging Signs must be cleared with CWEA and its contracted decorator (who will coordinate with the facility). Costs and terms furnished by event upon request.

EARLY TEAR-DOWN: Removal or “tear-down” of display prior to close of show is prohibited.

ELIGIBLE EXHIBITS: CWEA reserves the right to determine the eligibility of any company or product for inclusion in the conference, and reserves the right to reject, evict, or prohibit any exhibit, in whole or in part, or any exhibitor, or his/her representatives, with or without giving cause.

ENDORSEMENT: CWEA does not in any way imply endorsement of any product or service of any exhibitor by entering into the exhibitor contract.

EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATION: Equipment being demonstrated must be set at least two feet from the aisle line of the exhibit. Space must be left within the exhibit area to absorb the booth personnel and spectators. Should spectators interfere with the normal traffic flow in the aisle, overflow into neighboring exhibits, or divert aisle traffic, the demonstration must be limited or eliminated.

Working motors, air pumps, etc. used to power a display must be positioned within the display area to avoid discharging sound or air into neighboring booths.

If moving equipment or displays with moving parts are being used, they must be presented and function in a safe manner, with appropriate safeguards to assure the safety of all present in the exposition halls. The Exhibitor is solely liable for the operation of all displays and agrees to indemnify and hold CWEA, its officers, directors, volunteers, employees, guests, invitees and agents harmless from any and all claims of liability arising out of Exhibitors exhibit, demonstration and the like.

Exhibitors are prohibited from operating any type of display on the grounds of the exposition facility, other than in the space assigned by CWEA.

CWEA reserves the right to restrict demonstrations, literature, or entertainment which CWEA deems objectionable or disruptive to the overall character of the Exposition. The Standards of Decorum clause of this policy applies to all activities.

EXHIBITOR SERVICE CENTER: CWEA events that contract the services of a decorating company will have a service desk on the floor to provide assistance to the exhibitors. Exhibitors may inquire with the decorator directly about shipments, electrical needs, labor needs, etc.

FAILURE TO ENFORCE: The failure of CWEA to enforce any of its rights under the provisions of this contract shall not be deemed a waiver of said rights and shall not act to prevent the enforcement of said rights at any time in the future. Exhibitors, by sending in payment, agree to all terms and conditions of this license.
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FIRE SAFETY AND HEALTH: The exhibitor agrees to accept full responsibility for compliance with local, city, and state fire, safety, and health ordinances regarding the installation and operation of equipment. All exhibit materials and equipment must be reasonably located within the booth and protected by safety guards and devices where necessary to prevent personal accidents to spectators.

GIVEAWAYS, CONTESTS, DRAWINGS: Drawings, lotteries, and/or contests that have prizes of substantial value (e.g. cars, boats, etc.) are expressly prohibited. All giveaways, contests, drawings, etc. must comply with local legal requirements. All food must be secured through the CWEA staff and ordered through the official caterer except as specified in conference’s specific materials. Activities must be confined to the space for which the exhibitor has contracted, including distribution of printed materials and placement of signs.

INTERPRETATION AND AMENDMENT: The Board of Directors has full power to interpret or amend these rules. The Board promises full cooperation for a successful show and will be pleased to work with the exhibitors toward this end.

INSTALLATION, SHOWING AND DISMANTLING: Show Hours, Set-up Hours and Dismantle Hours are specified in the Exhibitor Invitation. CWEA reserves the right to alter the show hours in any manner they see will be needed to best serve the conference.

Any crated deliveries that remain unattended 4 working hours before show open will be erected or placed into storage at the discretion of Show Management unless otherwise noticed by the exhibiting company. All charges for labor will be charged to the exhibitors account.

All storage and handling charges for not removing materials from the floor at the conclusion of the move-out period shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor. Exhibitors requesting the scrapping of any exhibit material, rates, etc shall pay for any expenses involved.

LIGHT STANDARDS: Flashing lights or other distracting or annoying materials are prohibited.

Those displaying simulated UV lights must mask the lights with smoked plexi-glass or drape so the lights do not disturb neighboring exhibitors. UV lights are not permitted.

MUSIC: No exhibitor will play music of any kind. Any fines that CWEA incurs as a result of an exhibitor playing music will be paid by the exhibitor.

NOISE STANDARDS: The following noise standards are intended to protect exhibitors and visitors from nuisances and hazards related to excessive sound levels by establishing maximum tolerances:

- Sound level readings will be made in decibels.
- Sound levels will be measured at the adjoining booth’s border, nearest the source of the noise. Measurements may also be taken at the aisle edge nearest the sound source.
- The base sound levels for large exhibit halls (50 or more booths) will be 70 decibels.
- The base sound level for small exhibit halls (49 or fewer booths) will be 65 decibels.
- Base sound levels may be adjusted according to exhibit hall characteristics and anticipated hall activity. Any such determination shall be made by the Exhibit Chair.

Sound levels generated by individual exhibitors above the base sound levels will be considered excessive as follows:

- 1-4 decibels above the base sound level for five or more continuous minutes during any quarter-hour period.
- 5-9 decibels above the base sound level for more than thirty continuous seconds during any minute, or more than 20 times in any hour.
- 10 decibels above the base sound level at any time.

Outdoor displays are subject to local noise ordinances.

Public address systems are not permitted in individual booths.
NONLIABILITY: The exhibitor agrees to make no claim for any reason whatsoever against CWEA and other contractors for loss, theft, damage, or destruction of goods; nor for any injury to himself/herself or employees; nor for any damage of any nature or character, including any damage to his/her business by reason of failure to provide space for the exhibit, or the removal of the exhibit; nor for failure to hold the conference as scheduled; nor for any action of any nature of the California Water Environment Association, or its members, officers, committees, agents, or employees. The exhibitor further agrees to indemnify and defend the California Water Environment Association against any claim arising out of the display of a product or service at the event in question.

ODOR: The following offending odor standards are intended to protect exhibitors and visitors from nuisances and hazards related to excessive objectionable odor levels by establishing guidelines. Objectionable odors are defined as odors that offend other nearby exhibitors that feel the odors are distracting potential customers at their booths. Food odors such as popcorn are not to be considered objectionable.

Offending odor complaints should be reported promptly to the Exhibit Chair. The Exhibit Chair and appointed CWEA staff will make the final determination of an offending odor. The Exhibit Chair shall notify the exhibitor that generates the odor of the complaint and discuss the options available to eliminate the offending odors. Odors that are determined to be objectionable that are generated by individual exhibitors shall be eliminated or masked with a light un-objectionable scent. After notification by the Exhibit Chair, the stopping of equipment, covering, spraying an odor masking agent or removing the objectionable odorous material shall be done in a timely manner.

PAYMENT: Full payment amount must accompany the application. For no reason will booths be held without full payment.

PENALTIES: In response to any complaint, Exhibit Chair will review guidelines and issue a warning if the complaint is found justified. If violation of these rules persists, exhibitors responsible will be subject to the following: loss of electrical power; and/or subject to eviction from the exhibition. Exhibitors may also be barred from exhibiting at future conferences.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Only the exhibitor may grant permission to have his/her exhibit and/or product photographed or videotaped. Any exhibitor taking photographs or videotape of another exhibit or product, without permission, must relinquish the film upon request. CWEA photographers may take photos of the booths for use in CWEA advertising their publications, website or other publication.

PROMOTION & MARKETING: CWEA will grant exhibitors a non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty-free right and license to use any and all trademarks that CWEA has developed specifically to identify the CWEA conference exhibition, for exhibitor marketing and promotion of their attendance at the event. CWEA Trademarks Requirements Exhibitor Promotion must be signed by the exhibitor prior to any usage of said logos. Any use of the logo must be reviewed by CWEA before printing, posting on websites or emailing. CWEA staff will provide the trademark requirement agreement upon request. As an added benefit to your exhibit space at CWEA events, you will receive by email a mailing list for all pre-registered attendees approximately three weeks prior to the event followed by another post event list after the event. In accordance with CWEA Policy 97-5, the list will contain the attendee’s name, company, and mailing address.

REFUNDS FOR BOOTH SPACE RESERVATIONS: CWEA will refund 50% of the amount paid for booth space if written cancellation is received three months prior to the event. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation, or failure to appear at the conference, relieves CWEA of any obligation to refund.

RELOCATION OF EXHIBITS: CWEA reserves the right to alter location of exhibits if deemed advisable and in the best interest of the conference.

ROLLING STOCK: Special booth spaces may be available on a limited basis depending on the space available at the venue. Examples of rolling stock are sewer maintenance equipment such as van mounted CCTV equipment, hydraulic sewer cleaners, and mechanical rodders. The exhibitor is responsible for ordering sufficient size exhibit space for the equipment to be exhibited.

Extra space not occupied by the rolling stock shall be rented at the standard 10 X 9 booth rate less a multiple booth discount (if available.)

10 X 20 and 10 X 30 foot booths shall be inline with the center post and shall only occupy one end-aisle space.

The exhibitor is responsible for notifying CWEA if special orientation of the equipment is required at the time the booth space is ordered. Example: a CCTV van that has the access doors on the passenger side and requires the back door to face the aisle.
Unless specific arrangements are made with CWEA for outside booth space, (if available) no equipment shall be parked outside at the conference or hotel site.

In order to allow the opportunity for the maximum number of exhibitors to display their products and services, the rolling stock shall be parked either in-line in a 10 foot deep booth space or diagonally in a 20 foot deep space to most efficiently use this space.

The exhibitor is responsible for measuring equipment and for ensuring that equipment will fit within entirely within the space reserved by the exhibitor.

Depending on the venue and booth location, special early set-up or late tear-down may be required to place or remove rolling stock on the exhibit floor.

SALES: Order taking is permitted, provided that all transactions are conducted in a manner consistent with the professional nature of the Exposition. The on-site sale and delivery of goods is not permitted.

SECURITY: CWEA will provide perimeter security for the exhibit floor to serve as a presence to inhibit theft. In NO way should exhibitors count on this service as personalized protection for their exhibit.

Exhibitors are strongly urged to give the security of their material high priority. Computers, peripherals and equipment are highly vulnerable to loss. You may hire security for your booth at your own cost. If you would like more information, please alert CWEA and they will furnish you contact information for a provider approved by the facility.

STANDARDS OF DECORUM: Demonstration and/or entertainment whether using models, professional demonstrators, or company personnel, must be carried out within the boundaries of decorum of the overall character of the Exposition in content and costuming.

UNIONS: Many services in connection with displays are under local union jurisdiction. Exhibitors must agree to comply with all applicable union requirements and must accept responsibility for making their own arrangements in this regard. Exhibitors will be notified when unions are involved.

UNOCCUPIED SPACE: CWEA reserves the right, should any rented exhibitor space remain unoccupied on the opening day, to rent paid space to another exhibitor, or use paid space for such purpose as it may see fit without liability on its part.