Welcome

Welcome to Bowling Green for the Kentucky Rural Water Association's 2026 Management Conference.

We are excited to bring together utility leaders, operators, comissioners and partners for two days of practical training, networking, and conversation focused on the challenges and opportunities facing Kentucky utilities. We hope this even equips and encourages you as you continue serving your communities.

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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

GOLF OUTING
Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Crosswinds Golf Course

REGISTRATION OPENS
Wednesday at 7:30 a.m.

EXHIBIT HALL
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Thursday 7:30–11:45 a.m.

MEMBER APPRECIATION RECEPTION
Wednesday 4:30–6:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF RURAL WATER LUNCHEON
Thursday 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
Ticketed Event

CONTINUING EDUCATION SESSIONS
For managers, commissioners, operators, and industry professionals.

CREDIT TYPES
DW • WW • Commissioner

ENGINEER TRAINING CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE

KENTUCKY RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION

2026 MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 4 – 5, 2026

Crowne Plaza | Sloan Convention Center
Bowling Green, Kentucky



WEDNESDAY:

NOVEMBER 4 | CROWNE PLAZA — TRACK A

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

BUILDING THE NEXT GENERATION OF WATER OPERATORS: HOW REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP CAN STRENGTHEN KENTUCKY'S WATER UTILITIES
Heather Stevenson — Kentucky Rural Water Association

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

UNDERSTANDING AUDITS: FIXED ASSETS
Brent Billingsley — Campbell, Myers & Rutledge, PLLC

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE LOAN PROGRAMS
Sandy Williams and Russell Neal — Kentucky Infrastructure Authority

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

LUNCH WITH THE EXHIBITORS

Exhibit Hall • 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING
Tina Frederick — Stoll Keenon Ogden, PLLC; Noah Abner — Kentucky PSC

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

MEMBER APPRECIATION RECEPTION

4:30 – 6:00 p.m. • All Conference Attendees Welcome

WEDNESDAY:

NOVEMBER 4 | SLOAN CONVENTION CENTER — TRACK B

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES
Bob Gillespie and Dan Devane — Zenner USA

1.0 hour / DW + WW

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE — FLEET STRATEGY
Caitlyn Couvillion — Enterprise Fleet Management

1.0 hour / DW + WW

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

LEVERAGING FEMA MITIGATION FUNDING TO IMPROVE UTILITY RESILIENCY
Chris Brewer — EUDS Consulting

1.0 hour / DW + WW

LUNCH WITH THE EXHIBITORS

Exhibit Hall • 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

WHAT YOU SHOULD BE ASKING YOUR BANK: FINANCIAL BEST PRACTICES FOR WATER DISTRICTS
Rhiannon Jenkins — U.S. Bank

1.0 hour / DW + WW

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.

WORKING WITH THE PSC: WHAT STAFF NEEDS, WHAT UTILITIES NEED, AND HOW TO WORK TOGETHER (PART 1)
PSC Panel: Mary Pat Regan, John Lyons, Derrick Willis, Noah Abner, Tim Webb, Russ Rose, Damon Talley, Tina Frederick, Amanda Lawson

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

WORKING WITH THE PSC: WHAT STAFF NEEDS, WHAT UTILITIES NEED, AND HOW TO WORK TOGETHER (PART 2)
PSC Panel: Mary Pat Regan, John Lyons, Derrick Willis, Noah Abner, Tim Webb, Russ Rose, Damon Talley, Tina Frederick, Amanda Lawson

1.0 hour / Commissioner + DW + WW

THURSDAY:

NOVEMBER 5 | SLOAN CONVENTION CENTER — TRACK B

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

7:30 – 11:45 a.m. • Visit participating exhibitors

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

CYBERSECURITY FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES
Ryan Lewis — CISA

1.0 hour / DW + WW

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

UNDERSTANDING THE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL
Jerry W. Shelton, CPA — Shelton CPAs, LLP

1.0 hour / DW + WW

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

FIND & FIX: LOUISVILLE WATER'S APPROACH TO PRIVATE LEAD SERVICE INVENTORY & REPLACEMENT
Joseph Sloan — Louisville Water Company

1.0 hour / DW + WW

WOMEN OF RURAL WATER LUNCHEON

TICKETED EVENT • 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

For all other attendees.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS
Joel Crawford — Service Specialties

1.0 hour / DW + WW

2:15 – 3:15 p.m.

BLACK BELT LEADERSHIP MOVES
Shannon Elam — North Marshall Water District

1.0 hour / DW + WW

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

HOW TO INCREASE REVENUE WITHOUT RAISING RATES
Gary Sanders — Utility Pipeline Information

1.0 hour / DW + WW