

OREGON ASSOCIATION OF WATER UTILITIES

32nd Annual

Summer Classic Conference

Seaside Convention Center

August 17–20, 2026

REGISTRATION INFORMATION & SCHEDULE

Conference Events & Information

Registration Options

Pre-Conference (Monday)

Pre-conference registration is separate from the full conference registration. Pre-conference registration is free if taking the Small Water System Training course, or the Emergency Response and PFOS courses. Select class(es) on registration form, page 7.

Full Conference (Tuesday–Thursday)

Full conference registration includes conference activities, all training sessions, exhibit hall & exhibitor activities, Tuesday lunch and evening barbecue, continental breakfast Wednesday and Thursday.

Lodging Options

Rivertide Suites

102 N. Holladay Dr., Seaside,
OR 97138
877-871-8433 **Ask for OAWU**
Summer Classic Rates
www.rivertidesuites.com

Holiday Inn Express

34 Holladay Dr.,
Seaside, OR 97138
503.717.8000
www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/
hotels/us/en/seaside/
ssdor/hoteldetail

SaltLine Hotel

250 1st Ave, Seaside,
OR 97138
(971) 601-1082
www.saltlinehotel.com/

Inn at Seaside

441 2nd Ave, Seaside,
OR 97138
(503) 738-9581
www.innatseaside.com



Seaside Convention Center

415 First Ave., Seaside, OR 97138
503-738-8585 or 800-894-3303
www.seasideconvention.com

CEUs, Meals & More

- Attend Monday pre-conference and earn up to 0.6 CEUs
- Attend Tuesday–Thursday and earn up to 1.8 CEUs
- Exhibitors Tuesday & Wednesday
- Tuesday lunch & evening barbecue
- Golf meeting Tuesday evening before the barbecue
- Tuesday evening bonfire & horseshoes on the beach
- Golf scramble Wednesday at 1:00 pm
- Many raffles and door prize giveaways!



OAWU Raffle

Drawings to be held Thursday during the Closing Session

- Hellcat Pro OSP 3.8" 15/17-RD
- RUGER AMERICAN Rifle Generation II Standard 20" 10-RD
with Burris Fullfield 3-12x42 Scope

Tickets available starting Tuesday after opening session.

You do not have to be present to win.
Dependent upon availability. Substitutions may occur.

OAWU'S ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE



Seaside Golf Club

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 • Start 1:00 pm

Registration \$60 per golfer • Sign up on conference registration form

Golf meeting before dinner on Tuesday in Exhibit Hall at 5:15 pm

4-Person Team Scramble • 9-Hole Game • 2-Person Carts

Prizes for Longest Drives, Putts & More

Cash Awards for Top 3 Teams • Lots of Fun!

Conference Schedule

Monday, August 17, 2026 Pre-Conference TOTAL CEUS 0.6 W/WW

Please note: All Monday Classes are held upstairs.

RIVERSIDE A	RIVERSIDE B	SEASIDE A/B
<p>9:00 am–4:00 pm Small Water System Training Course This course will cover the basics of water system operations. A review of the SDWA Amendments, the State Revolving Loan Fund, and security issues. Review of technical, managerial, and financial needs of a small system.</p> <p>Tim Tice, OAWU 0.6 W CEUs ESAC #6103</p>	<p>9:00 am–4:45 pm Cross Connection Specialist Update Obtain your Cross Connection Specialist updates and any updates on the cross-connection program.</p> <p>Ray Johnson, BMI 0.6 W CEUs ESAC #TBA</p>	<p>9:00 am – 12:00 pm Emergency Response How to complete a risk assessment and be proactive and prepared for an emergency at your water and wastewater system. Scott Berry, OAWU 0.3 W/WW CEUs ESAC #6455</p> <p>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Emerging Contaminants PFOS Workshop The class will provide an overview of sources and treatment options as well as current trends in regulations. Monty Norris, OAWU 0.3 W/WW CEUs ESAC #TBA</p>

8–9 am		Registration			
9–9:30 am	0.05	Secure in your Position and Standing in Confidence The benefits of consistency, encouragement, and giving or receiving that occasional, but so important, vote of confidence. <i>Jason Green, OAWU</i>		w/ww	
9:30–10:45 am	0.125	Legislative Update The latest issues of the State Legislature activities concerning water and wastewater utilities. <i>Mark Landauer, SDAO, Jason Green, OAWU</i>		w/ww	
10:45–11 am		Break			
NECANICUM		RIVERSIDE A		RIVERSIDE B	
SEASIDE A/B					
11 am–12 pm		0.1 Training Sessions			
Beyond Operations: Utility Leadership from a General Manager's Perspective How OHA-DWS and DEQ evaluate systems based on outcomes, documentation, and management across operations, compliance, planning, finance, staffing, and capital investment. <i>JJ Olson, NW Natural Water</i>		Generators Emergency generators for your utility regularly need maintenance. Learn how to properly maintain and test your generator. <i>Sean Robertson, Peterson Power</i>		Regulatory Program Update Find out what is new for the Drinking Water Services that may impact your water system. <i>Nicole Alfafara, OHA-DWS</i>	
w/ww		w/ww		w	
				Identifying I and I Methods to identify I and I coming into your Sanitary Sewer System. <i>Ken Navidi, Bainbridge</i>	
				ww	
12–1 pm		Lunch with Exhibit Time: The latest applications, equipment, tools, and techniques in our industry.			
		w/ww			
1–3 pm		0.2 Training Sessions			
Locating Essentials Locating options for underground utilities. Focusing on GPR and how it can help be the tool for the non-ferrous utilities on the job. <i>Nick Frappier, NW Hydrovac</i>		Active Shooter OSHA requires all employers to have Emergency Action Plans including a written plan and training for an Active Shooter event. Construct a plan for your utility. Train employees what to expect using the “Run, Hide, Fight” protocol. <i>Ray Johnson, BMI</i>		Hydraulic Control Valves Automatic control valves with multiple pilots and functions. This course will review basic valve functions then look at the difference between hydraulic override and hydraulic backup. <i>Patrick Miller, CIMCO-GC Systems</i>	
w/ww		w/ww		w/ww	
				Intelligent Pump Stations Case stories and design of intelligent pump stations for your wastewater system. <i>Simon Cartwright, Xylem-Flygt</i>	
				ww	
3–3:30 pm		Break with Exhibit Time: The latest applications, equipment, tools, and techniques in our industry.			
3:30–5 pm		0.15 Training Sessions			
Top 10 Ways to Save on SCADA Control System Projects Standardization, phased delivery, remote diagnostics/telemetry, documentation & backups, service agreements, and funding alignment. <i>Nathan Landreth, ACS</i>		Laws 101 for Utility Operations Come learn about and discuss collections, liens, service discontinuation, contracts between operators and suppliers, employment, and labor law. <i>Laura Schroeder, Schroeder Law Offices</i>		Fire Hydrant and Gate Valve O&M Real life examples for fire hydrant and gate valve operation and maintenance. <i>Vaughn Barber, M&H/Kennedy Valve Co.</i>	
w/ww		w/ww		w	
				Wastewater Modeling Process & Benefits Inflow & infiltration rehab, planning and development studies and future flow predictions for design storms and urban growth boundary expansions. <i>Samuel Novac, Novac Industries LLC</i>	
				ww	
5:30–7:30 pm		0.1 Dinner with Exhibit Time: The latest applications, equipment, tools, and techniques in our industry.			
7:30–10 pm		Join OAWU for a bonfire, horseshoe games and camaraderie on the beach (weather permitting)!			

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 Conference Schedule TOTAL CEUS 0.675 W/WW Registration desk hours 8-12

7-8 am **Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall**

NECANICUM	RIVERSIDE A	RIVERSIDE B	SEASIDE A/B
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8-9:30 am 0.15 **Training Sessions**

<p>Water & Wastewater Disinfection Technology Learn different technologies and uses of them for disinfection in your water and wastewater system. <i>Rich Owens, Owens Pump & Equipment</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>AMI's Role in Your World Technology advances can play a critical role in your day-to-day. We will explore the many options available and how they will benefit your team and your customers! <i>Pat Hart, HD Fowler</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Saving Money Pumping Groundwater Pumping efficiencies and highlighting what is costing us money. How much is the cost and how can we save money and prolong the life of our wells and pumping equipment. <i>Dean Foster, Hose Solutions</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w</p>	<p>Sewer Line Issues? Learn about sewer and storm line assessments and trenchless repair options. <i>Jeremy Hurst, Gordan & Associates Inc.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">ww</p>
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9:30-10 am **Exhibit Time: Learn the latest applications, equipment, tools, and techniques in our industry**

10 am-12 pm 0.2 **Training Sessions**

<p>Chlorine and Metering Pumps The fundamentals and importance of chlorine properties. Metering pump basics: good, bad and downright frustrating. <i>Sean Moriarty, Furrow Pump Inc.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Automatic Control Valves Operation, applications, troubleshooting and maintenance of automatic control valves. <i>Jim Lugo, Watts Water Technologies</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Foam Mitigation Measurement and the Benefits of Limited Straight Run Flow Reduce foam to obtain more accurate measurement; comparing ultrasonic and radar. <i>Randy Zenke, Field Instruments & Controls</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Tip Selection and Vector Trucks Hydro excavation, new technology, proper methods, equipment, safety, and application of nozzle types. Tips, Tricks & Safety. <i>Shawn Patrick & Dan Nelson, Owens Equipment</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>
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12-1:30 pm **Lunch**

Only two classes this session: Riverside B and Seaside A/B

RIVERSIDE B	SEASIDE A/B
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1:30 pm-3 pm 0.15 **Training Sessions**

<p>Water and Wastewater Field Operations and Safety Elements of a health and safety program and responsibilities. Routine and non-routine tasks associated with risk, and how to practically expand safety programs to mitigate such risks. <i>Tim Tice and Scott Berry, OAWU</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Math for Operators Water and wastewater math problems typically encountered in the Level I & II certification exams. Bring reliable calculators and notebooks to the workshop. <i>OAWU Staff</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>
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3-3:15 pm **Break**

3:15-5 pm 0.175 **Sessions continue**

<p>Water and Wastewater Field Operations and Safety (continued)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>	<p>Math for Operators (continued)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">w/ww</p>
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Annual Golf Scramble 1:00 • See page 3 for details

7-8 am Continental Breakfast			
NECANICUM	RIVERSIDE A	RIVERSIDE B	SEASIDE A/B
8-9:45 am 0.175 Training Sessions			
System O&M What it takes to successfully operate and maintain a system. Paperwork you keep, critical parts inventory, budget, training, staff succession, delegating tasks, monthly reports and tracking, staff and council/ board communication and PR. <i>OAWU Board (Matt Johnson, Kriss Schneider, and Marc Caldwell)</i> W/WW	Cyber and Physical Security Look at practical ways to protect your water and wastewater system from both cyber and physical attacks.. <i>Leslie Ann Kainoa and Chass Jones, CISA</i> W/WW	Revolutionize Drinking Water Quality with Active Tank Mixing The theory of tank mixing, review passive vs active tank mixing, current mixers on the market, success stories and benefits. <i>Kevin Chapa, Big Wave Water Technologies</i> W	Permitting 101 What to expect when you're expecting your renewed permit. <i>Jeff Navarro, Oregon DEQ</i> WW
9:45-10 am Break			
10-12:00 am 0.2 Training Sessions			
Ready, Set, Disaster! Wildfire, heat domes, drought, earthquakes, the tools that are available to help in all hazards. Like grants, partnerships, volunteer teams to help you through the next gray sky event. <i>Dan Weitzel, Nehalem Bay Fire & Rescue District</i> W/WW	Rates Looking at the importance and different methods to get a rate structure that can work at your water or wastewater facility. <i>Tim Tice, OAWU</i> W/WW	Navigation Water Right Changes: Legislative Updates, Rulemaking, WMCPs, Extensions of Time, and Transfers Recent legislative updates, what's new and upcoming. See the expectations and requirements for water right extensions and transfers. <i>Kerri Cope, Tamera Smith, Jeffrey Pierceall, and Jeanna Eastman, OWRD</i> W	Op Cert Basics and Wastewater Reporting in Your Data Online Learn about the wastewater certification program and reporting in YDO focusing on DMRs. <i>Mark Bentz and Kimi Grzyb, Oregon DEQ</i> WW
12:00-12:15 pm 0.025 Closing Session: Secure in your Position and Standing in Confidence (continued) <i>Jason Green, OAWU</i>			W/WW

Conference Policies

Early Bird Registration: Receive a \$50 discount for each full conference registration postmarked by July 17, 2026. Early Bird registrations may be billed or paid by credit card or check.



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Oregon Association of Water Utilities

Full Name _____

Water Cert. # _____ / _____ Wastewater Cert. # _____ / _____ Not Certified

System / Company _____

System Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

System Phone _____ System Email _____

Pre-Conference (Monday)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Course	System ID #41- _____	Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Water System Training Course (0.6 W CEUs) 9am – 4pm		FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Response (0.3 W/WW CEUs) 9am – 12pm		FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emerging Contaminants PFOS (0.3 W/WW CEUs) 1pm – 4pm		FREE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cross Connection Specialist Update (0.6 W CEUs) 9am – 4:45pm		\$200

Full Conference (Tuesday - Thursday)

Conference Registration	Early Bird (postmarked by July 17)	Standard (postmarked after July 17)
OAWU Member	\$390	\$440
Non-Member*	\$490	\$540
TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES		

Additional Meals for Guests (Children 10 years old & under – Free)	Quantity	Fee	Subtotal
Tuesday Evening BBQ		\$18	
Tuesday Lunch		\$18	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL MEALS			

Wednesday Golf 9-Hole Scramble Registration	Quantity	Fee	Subtotal
Golf Players Name: _____ Name: _____ Name: _____ Name: _____		\$60 Per player	
Seaside Golf Club TOTAL GOLF REGISTRATION FEES			

Do you need golf clubs? Yes No Left-Handed Right-Handed

Total Conference Fees

Payment Enclosed Purchase Order: PO # _____ Please Invoice

If paying by credit card, please use PayPal at www.oawu.net or call the OAWU office to process.

Fax or Email receipt to _____

Send registration form and payment to:

Fax 503-837-1213 or mail: OAWU, 935 N. Main Street, Independence, OR, 97351 or email: office@oawu.net

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Cancellations require 30-day notice to receive a refund.

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