



May 17TH, 2024 RIRWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW

Please join us for our third annual conference as the Rhode Island Rural Water Association. We will be providing:

- TCHs for Classes and DOH update - Lunch - Trade Show
- Networking Opportunities - Raffles and Prizes - Awards
- Best Tasting Water Competition - Golf Tournament 5/16

Please Choose up to one from each Session:

	Session 1	Session 2
Classroom A	Underground Pipe Locating	LCRR, Now LCRI - What you need to know
Classroom B	Apprenticeship: A Plan to Fill the Labor Gap	Cybersecurity in the Water Sector

See Reverse Side for Additional Registration Information

5/17/2024

Quonset "O" Club

7AM-5PM

200 Lt. James Brown Rd, North Kingstown

Training Opportunities with TCHs available!

Water Industry Vendors in attendance!

Best Tasting Water in RI Competition!

Networking Opportunity!

Associated Golf Tournament on 5/16!

Rhode Island Rural Water Association

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EVENT AND COMPETITION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

\$150 Registration Fee Per Attendee

Water Rally Best Tasting Water in Rhode Island

This is an annual competition we hold to determine who has the best tasting water in our state. There are two divisions: Disinfected and Non-Disinfected. The winners of each division will face off at the end and a winner will be crowned. If you are submitting a sample to be tasted by the panel of judges, please be sure to have it collected in a clear glass jar or bottle and to bring at least 4 good size containers worth. This part of the event is offered at no extra cost to you and the winner will have the honor of representing Rhode Island at the National Rural Water Association's National Rural Water Rally for the Great American Water Taste Test held in Washington D.C. in 2025. Not to mention the bragging rights!

Attendee Registration

Name of System: _____

PWS ID Number: _____

of Attendees: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

Entering Tasting Competition?

Yes

No

If Yes, which Division is your System?

Disinfected

Non-Disinfected



How To Register

Please mail this Registration form back to us with a check made out to Rhode Island Rural Water Association to 70 Romano Vineyard Way, Suite 114 North Kingstown RI 02852. Be sure the check is in the amount of \$150 per Attendee. For more information or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call us at 401-868-1431. We look forward to seeing you!

5/17/2024 Conference Agenda

7:00am - 7:15am – Registration/Check In

7:15am - 8:00am – Trade Show and Networking

- Coffee and Danish will be available as you walk around and connect with our extensive selection of exhibitors as well as your fellow Water and Wastewater Industry Professionals.

8:00am - 9:15am Training Session 1 Classroom A

Underground Pipe Locating

Summary: Knowing where the underground infrastructure is important to all systems. Learn how to use line location equipment and tricks of the trade.

8:30am - 9:45am Training Session 1 Classroom B

Apprenticeship: A Plan to Fill the Labor Gap

Summary: With a projected majority percentage of our industry within 5-10 years of retirement we are facing a massive labor shortage. This session will be a conversation about where we stand now, what could happen if we do not prepare, and RIRWA's efforts to ensure the impact of this labor gap is not felt by systems or the public that they serve.

10:00am - 11:15am Training Session 2 Classroom A

LCRR, Now LCRI - What you need to know

Summary: With less than a year to complete your preliminary service line inventory, it is essential to ensure you are collecting and storing your water system's data in an organized way. Let's talk about everything you need to know ahead of the deadline, and what to expect going forward from there.

10:30am - 11:45am Training Session 2 Classroom B

Cyber 101 - Cybersecurity in the Water Sector

Cybersecurity is the top threat facing business and critical infrastructures in the United States, according to reports and testimony from the Director of National Intelligence, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Department of Homeland Security. All drinking and wastewater systems should examine cybersecurity vulnerabilities and develop a cybersecurity risk management program, thus mitigating a cyberattack from impacting system operations.

12:00pm - 2:00pm Buffet Lunch and Water Rally

12:15pm - 12:45pm Speakers and Keynote Speaker

2:00pm - 4:00pm Vendor Spotlights

4:00pm - 5:00pm Annual Board of Directors Meeting

We encourage all members attending to stay for the board meeting!

****Subject to minor adjustments***