

American Water Works Association / Hawai'i Section Hawai'i Water Environment Association

2025 Pacific Water Conference | February 4-6, 2025 Hawai'i Convention Center | Honolulu, Hawai'i

Water Operator Pre-Conference Tuesday, February 4, 2025

PROGRAM IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Time	Topic	Title	Presenter	
7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.	REGISTRATION			
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 pm	Water Distribution Operator Basics	The first four hours will review water distribution system operator basics with a 10-minute break at the top of each hour. Topics to be covered include: source water basics, ground water well components and terms, drinking water standards, regulations and compliance, disinfection methods, operation plans, cybersecurity basics, and fundamental safety standards	Joy Gannon	
12:00 pm to 12:30 pm	LUNCH			
12:30 pm to 12:40 pm	Introduction to Operator Math	Overview of topics to be covered	Caitlyn Leo Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State	
12:40 pm to 1:40 pm	Review of Basic Math Skills	A review of the following concepts needed to perform calculations required for Water Operator level I and II certification: • Fractions, percents, decimals • Averages • Order of operations • Common mistakes	Caitlyn Leo Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State Carol Kontonickas, PE Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State	
1:40 pm to 1:50 pm	BREAK			
1:50 pm to 2:50 pm	Units and Unit Conversions	An overview of commonly used units and common unit conversion calculations	Caitlyn Leo Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State Carol Kontonickas, PE Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State	
2:50 pm to 3:00 pm	BREAK			

3:00pm – 4:30pm	Common Water Operator Calculations	An overview of types of calculations needed for Water Operator level I and II certifications: • Area and Volume • Flow and Velocity • Feed and Dosage • Water Pressure Head	Caitlyn Leo Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State Carol Kontonickas, PE Research Engineer EFC at Sacramento State
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