

58th ANNUAL MID-PACIFIC WATER USERS' CONFERENCE
January 27-30, 2026
Silver Legacy, Reno, NV
PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Schedule will be updated periodically and posted on our website:
www.wateruserconference.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

5:00pm-7:00pm **CVPWA WUC RENO RECEPTION**
Rum Bullions. Hosted by Central Valley Project Water Association

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

7:30am-2:30pm **REGISTRATION**

8:00am **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

8:30am-12:00pm **CALL TO ORDER/GENERAL SESSION**

Welcome Address
Chris Dahlstrom, Santa Ynez River WCD ID #1 (ret.)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Acting Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner

Bureau of Reclamation Regional Director Address
Acting Regional Director

Voices from the Field: Area Managers Unplugged
Bureau of Reclamation Panel Presentation

Leave your Pitchfork at the Door: The Story of the Great Valley Farm Water Partnership
Amy Wolfe, Great Valley Farm Water Partnership

Inside the Process: How Congress and the Executive Branch are Shaping Environmental
Review Reform
Panel Presentation

12:15pm-2:00pm **LUNCHEON and PROGRAM**

Water Under the Dome: D.C. Insights on the Legislative and Policy Currents Shaping the West
Panel Presentation

2:30pm-4:30pm **ETHICS TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR DISTRICT DIRECTORS**
Presented by Best Best & Krieger, this two-hour session will fulfill California state law requirements that all public officials receive ethics training every two years.

5:00pm-6:30pm **EXHIBITOR RECEPTION**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

7:30am-3:00pm REGISTRATION

8:00am-9:10am BREAKFAST and PROGRAM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Paul Souza, US Fish & Wildlife Service, and Jennifer Quan, NOAA Fisheries

9:15am-12:15am GENERAL SESSION

Evolving Needs for Endangered Species and ESA Compliance

Panel Presentation

A Startling Picture: Impacts of Non-Native Fish on Salmon Recovery

David Weisenberger, Banta-Carbona Irrigation District, and Dana Lee, FISHBIO

Forest Resilience, Water Resilience: Confronting Problems and Building the Path Forward

Panel Presentation

12:15am-2:30pm LUNCHEON and PROGRAM

If Not Then, Why Now? California Water Storage Policy Evolution of Political and Public Perception of Storage

Panel Presentation

Klamath's New Chapter: Leveraging Legal and Policy Developments, Advancing Solutions, and Honoring Commitments

Panel Presentation

2:30pm-4:30pm WORKSHOP: Technical Assistance for Modernization Options

Stuart Styles, Cal Poly ITRC

6:00pm-9:00pm Dinner and Bowling at the National Bowling Stadium

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

8:30am-11:30am BREAKFAST and PROGRAM

Bowling Awards

Meet the Cal Poly Scholarship Students

Cachuma Project Report

Chris Dahlstrom, Santa Ynez River WCD ID #1

Revisiting 2025/2026 Water Supply Outlook

Bureau of Reclamation Panel Presentation