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Special Events and Announcements

• Reception tonight at Parkhouse Event Center
  • 5 minute walk from Sheraton next to the Myriad Gardens
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ABOUT GWPC

GWPC Mission
To promote the protection and conservation of groundwater resources for all beneficial uses, recognizing groundwater as a critical component of the ecosystem. We provide an important forum for stakeholder communication and research in order to improve governments’ role in the protection and conservation of groundwater.

GWPC Board
The GWPC is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of senior state agency managers. Board members are elected by their peers in the states from a pool of voting members identified as state officials charged with the responsibility of the administration of a state’s underground injection control program established pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 and to those persons who are charged with administration of a state’s ground water program. The Board of Directors includes representatives of state regulatory agencies responsible for groundwater protection and underground injection activity. Board members serve a two-year term and may be re-elected.

Areas of Focus
• Water Quality
• Water Availability & Sustainability
• Water & Energy
• The GWPC’s membership consists of representatives of state groundwater and underground injection control (UIC) regulatory agencies that mutually work toward the protection of groundwater nationwide.

• Our focus is specifically on protecting groundwater supplies, conserving groundwater resources for all beneficial uses and recognizing groundwater as a critical component of the ecosystem.

• The GWPC is unique among associations in that its members are the state officials who set and enforce regulations on groundwater protection and underground injection control.
GWPC is a broad-scope organization, some other areas of focus include:

• Produced Water Report
• Work on all Classes of UIC
• State oil and gas and water data management
• CWA/SDWA cooperation and integration
• State to State regulatory exchange
## GWPC Board of Directors – State Agencies

### 2019-2020 GWPC Board Members

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GWPC Board Resolutions

• CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF A NATIONAL PRODUCED WATER TASK FORCE

• CONCERNING THE FORMATION OF A WORKGROUP TO ADDRESS ASR AND MAR ISSUES

• PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 16-20 AS SEPTIC SMART WEEK
Thank you!!

Sponsored more than 30 state agency staff from across the country to attend the Annual Forum.
Regulations, Current Practices & Research Needs
Leadership Team

Project Co-leaders
• Shellie Chard, ODEQ | John Baza, UDOGM

Intro. & Module 1 Leaders
• Shellie Chard | John Baza

Module 2 Leaders
• Scott Kell, ODOGRM | Tom Kropatsch, WOGCC

Module 3 Leaders
• Ken Harris, DOGGR | Nichole Saunders, EDF

Contractors
• Michael Dunkel, Worley
• John Veil, Veil Environmental Consulting

GWPC Staff
• Mike Paque | Mike Nickolaus | Erica Carr, GWPC
The Exchange

• State Oil and Gas Regulatory Exchange

• A partnership between GWPC & IOGCC recently formed a Non Profit Corporation to conduct its business, with the two Executive Directors as Board Members.

• State Advisory Committee

• State agency reviews, specific topic consultations, program assessments, studies and workshops.

• A DRONE Workshop is scheduled to take place in Oklahoma City on November 13-14. Brochures at registration table. A Spill Remediation (SWD wells and facilities) Workshop will be held in 2020.
National Source Water Collaborative

• GWPC continues to co-chair the National Source Water Collaborative and also provides staff support to the Collaborative.

• The source water workshop here at the Annual Forum is an SWC product which will be held today starting at noon.

• GWPC is also participates in several SWC sub-groups

• Sourcewatercollaborative.org
Upcoming Events: Save the Date

**UIC Conference**

- Planning is underway for the GWPC National UIC meeting
- Held jointly with the USEPA Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water
- **San Antonio**
  - February 16-19, 2020
Upcoming Events: Save the Date

Annual Forum

• Salt Lake City
  September 27-30, 2020
Morning Presenters

• **Scott Thompson** – Executive Director, Oklahoma DEQ

• **Ken Wagner** – Oklahoma Secretary of Energy & Environment

• **Claudio Ternieden** - Senior Director, Government Affairs - Water Environment Federation

• **Anita Thompkins** – Director, Drinking Water Protection Division - EPA, Office of Ground Water & Drinking Water