



August 18, 2021

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Agenda

I. Welcome & Introductions

II. Green Infrastructure – A Maturing Technology with Greater Public Acceptance/Preference & Increasing Strategic Regulatory Benefits

This presentation will summarize the maturing nature of green infrastructure with implementation examples from leading programs around the country. It will also discuss the critical role that GI can play as an environmental justice component of public works rehabilitation/improvement programs, especially under the Biden Administration.

Amanda Waters, Attorney, AquaLaw

Seth Brown, Principal/Founder, Storm and Stream Solutions, LLC

Matthew Jones, PhD, PE, Hazen and Sawyer

Liza Faber, PE, Hazen and Sawyer

III. Consultant Corner: When It Rains It Pours – A New Approach to Managing Wet Weather Flows

ReWa is a regional water and reclamation entity serving 18 communities/districts in the greater Greenville, SC area. In spite of previous efforts to reduce I/I, wet weather flows in some parts of the system remain high and wet weather SSOs occur during larger rain events. ReWa's approach recognizes cost-effective I/I removal coupled with conveyance enhancements that offer the lowest total cost to achieve the desired/approved level of sewer system service. This approach defines the least total cost solution irrespective of who owns the infrastructure. Results from the analysis will be presented.

Richard Stahr, Senior Vice President, Brown and Caldwell

Patricia Dennis, Director of Regulatory Services, ReWa

IV. Uncooperative Federalism – Biden EPA Increases Oversight of Delegated State Programs.

This presentation will provide an update on a very pronounced trend of the Biden EPA increasing its oversight over delegated state programs. We will discuss EPA regional office permitting initiatives, information requests being sent to regulated entities, inspection and enforcement changes, as well as the prospects for EPA review and approval of changes to State NPDES permitting and Water Quality Standards regulations.

Paul Calamita, Chairman, AquaLaw

V. Discussion & Conclusion