Call for Abstract/Presentation Proposals
2020-21

Issued by
AEA Education and Conference Committee

Seeking
Proposals for presentations for AEA training programs, workshops, and conferences. Submissions are primarily used to create programs for the spring and fall conferences in Atlantic City but may be selected for other education activities such as the Environmental Professional Development Academy or special one-day and half-day workshops.

Abstracts are Being Sought From
Executive directors, CFOs, operators, operators, financial, accounting, management, human resources professionals, public officials, regulators, engineers, scientists, consultants, sales representatives, manufacturers, academics and others with expertise, knowledge and skills applicable to the management of water, wastewater and solid waste facilities in New Jersey. Preference given to submissions from AEA member organizations.

Audience
AEA conferences and workshops are attended by decision-makers (commissioners, executive directors and managers), staff, professionals, licensees, and service providers associated with local water/wastewater/solid waste utilities.

Topics
Those interested in presenting should complete Proposal Submission Form.

Our Education and Conference Committee has identified topics for which we are especially interested in receiving proposals. Submissions should consider the topic in a forward looking way. The proposals should emphasize techniques, approaches, likely trends, and developing solutions useful in coming five to ten years (and even beyond if applicable):

- Future outlook: Tariffs and construction costs
- Leadership / employee motivation/morale
- Community Relations / Public Education
- PFOS/PFOA, Plastics, and Emerging Contaminants
- Managing Staff Transitions and Change
- Protecting Utility from Cyber Threats
- Flooding, CSOs and SSOs OR Arsenic, Phosphorous and other Permit Limits
- Case studies relating to Barnegat Bay, the Delaware River, the Pinelands, the Passaic River, New York Harbor and the Hudson.

The following topics have been identified as areas of interest for which proposals may also be submitted:
Air emissions & permitting
Authority management
Approaches in other states
Asset inventory
Automation
Biosolids
Bonds
Climate change impacts
Collection systems
Condition assessment
Cooperative purchasing
Dissolution of authorities
Emerging technologies/apps
Energy/water nexus
EE/renewables
Ethics
Fleet management
Finance
Human resources
Inflow & infiltration
Instrumentation/computers
Labor relations
Legal matters
Managing risk
NIPDES permitting
Nutrient removal
Outfalls
Power generation
Privatization & PPPs
Public agency management
OPRA & transparency
Rates
Recycling
Residuals & biosolids
management
Reuse
Safety
Sewer service
areas/wastewater
Shared services
Small systems
Statewide issues
Solid waste
Sustainability
Water quality regulations
Water loss audits
Water supply
Water supply infrastructure
Wet weather flows

Submission Format
Those interested in presenting must complete a 2020-21 Proposal Submission Form available on AEA’s website www.aeanj.org. Please refer questions and send completed abstracts to Karen Burris at karen@aeanj.org and Lorna O’Hara at ohara@ppag.com and add “AEA 2020-21 Presentation Proposal” within subject line. Submission deadline is January 27, 2020. Selection of your submission is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of AEA. All submissions will be considered for the March and November 2020 conference.

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Preliminary Call for Presentation Proposals Issued
AEA Education and Conference Committee Members: Bill Gettings, Hazen and Sawyer, Chair; Bernie Bujak, South Monmouth RSA; Rick Dovey, Atlantic County UA; Rick Eustace, Bordentown SA; Dollie Hamlin, Plainfield MUA; Tom Horn, Lambertville MUA; Jill Plesnarksi, Readington-Lebanon SA; Manuel Ponte, R3M Engineering; Apryl Roach, Franklin Twp. SA; John Scheri, Mott MacDonald and Brian Valentino, Western Monmouth UA.