

The REAP Water Resources Committee was established at the request of the cities and counties in the REAP region to serve as a regional conduit of information and education regarding water quality and quantity issues in South Central Kansas. The Committee also serves as a regional voice on behalf of the members before federal, state, regional and local agencies. If your community is interested in becoming a member of the REAP Water Resources Committee, please contact Angela Buzard at angela.buzard@wichita.edu or 316-978-3401.

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2010 REAP Regional Water Conference

Thursday May 27, 2010

Civic Center

El Dorado, Kansas



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The REAP Water Resources Committee

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7:30-8:30 Registration (Foyer)
Continental Breakfast provided (Foyer)

General Sessions (Assembly Room)

8:30-8:45 Welcome and Introductory Remarks
Commissioner Shane Krause, El Dorado, KS
Mayor Kristey Williams, REAP Chair, Augusta, KS
Mayor Willis Heck, REAP Water Resources Chair, Newton, KS

8:45-10:00 Keynote Presentation: Recent Trends in Urbanization and Water Quality in the United States
Gary L. Rowe Jr., Ph.D., Associate Chief, United States Geological Survey National Water Quality Assessment Program, Central Region, Denver, CO

10:15-11:00 Concurrent Sessions

(Assembly) **Session I: Controlling Stormwater Runoff Without Damaging Development**
Joseph Hickle, Senior Project Engineer-Municipal Services, Professional Engineering Consultants, Wichita, KS

(Breakout) **Session II: Factors to Consider when Setting Water Rates**
Rose Mary Saunders, Senior Consultant, Ranson Financial Consultants, Wichita, KS

11:15-12:00 Concurrent Sessions

(Assembly) **Session I: Avoiding Water Service Territory Conflicts**
Gary Hanson, Stumbo Hanson LLC, Topeka, KS
Bob Myers, City Attorney, Newton, KS

(Breakout) **Session II: Water Utility Projects: Planning, Funding and Implementation in Challenging Times**
Jeff Klein, Project Manager, Burns & McDonnell, Wichita, KS
Ted Kelly, Principal, Burns & McDonnell, Wichita, KS



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12:00-1:15 Lunch (Assembly Room)
Legislative Perspectives on Water Issues in Kansas
Secretary Josh Svaty, Kansas Department of Agriculture, Topeka, KS

1:30-2:15 Concurrent Sessions

(Assembly) **Session I: Does Kansas Have Enough Water for the Future?**
Margaret Fast, Manager-Public Water Supply Planning, Kansas Water Office, Topeka, KS

(Breakout) **Session II: Benefits and Uses of Natural Resource Inventories**
Deb Baker, Basin Planner, Kansas Water Office, Topeka, KS
Beth Valdivia, Kansas Biological Survey, Lawrence, KS

General Sessions (Assembly Room)

2:30-3:00 Balancing the Books: Kansas' Water Past, Present & Future
David Barfield, Chief Engineer, Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources, Topeka, KS

3:00-3:30 Water Revenues: What Does the Future Look Like?
Tracy Streeter, Director, Kansas Water Office, Topeka, KS

3:30-3:45 Closing Remarks
Mayor Willis Heck, REAP Water Resources Chair, Newton, KS

3:45 Adjournment

3:45-5:00 El Dorado Wetlands & Water Reclamation Facility Tour
The tour begins at 105 S. Wetlands Drive, about 1 mile from the Civic Center. Please see the insert in the conference folder for driving directions, parking instructions and a map.

