



## *Specialty Conference Announcement & Call for Abstracts*

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### **Collection Systems 2010 Collection System Priorities / Balancing Competing Needs**

June 13-16, 2010  
Phoenix Convention Center  
Phoenix, Arizona

**ABSTRACT SUBMITTAL DEADLINE: August 11, 2009**



The WEF Collection Systems Committee, in association with the AZ Water Association, is pleased to announce that the 2010 Specialty Conference will be held in Phoenix, Arizona. The 2010 Specialty Conference Committee is soliciting abstracts that address how national collection systems practitioners set priorities and implement plans, long and short range, while competing for dwindling funding resources. Abstracts addressing system operations, specific project related experiences, and case studies are also desired. The following list of abstract categories and themes are offered as guidelines.

- **Priority and Implementation Challenges / What Works, What Doesn't**
- **Optimizing Operation & Maintenance Programs (Leading Trends / Innovative Ideas )**
- **Construction Techniques / Can They Really Reduce Cost**
- **CCTV and Assessment Programs / Effective Data Analysis & Implementation**
- **Alternative Delivery Methods vs. Traditional Construction / Finance**
- **Modeling Beyond Planning / Optimization**
- **Financial Planning / Bonding Practices / Rate Structures - Studies**
- **Capacity Management / Creative Uses of Hydraulic Modeling & Metering Data**
- **Effective Odor Management Programs**
- **Aging Workforce / Succession Planning**

**Abstracts must be received by August 11, 2009.** Several criteria will be used to evaluate the abstracts, one of the most important being whether the results and experiences from the project are available for presentation. **Abstracts should be submitted online. Please visit [www.wef.org/CollectionSystems](http://www.wef.org/CollectionSystems) to submit.** Authors will be notified of acceptance in late October 2009 and will need to complete a manuscript. In accordance with Federation policy, accepted authors who do not submit a manuscript by the required deadline will be removed from the program.

Presenters are expected to register for the Conference and pay the appropriate registration fee. No travel or assistance funds are available for speakers.

For Questions or Additional Information, contact: Water Environment Federation, Conference Programs – Collection Systems 2010, CS2010@wef.org or 703-684-2400, ext. 7010.