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WEFTEC* 2017 in Chicago hosted the 30th annual Operations Challenge. During the five-event competition, 44 teams worked to earn the best times and highest scores.

During the past 30 years, Operations Challenge has steadily grown from the original 22-team event to this year's 44-team, two-division format. Teams are judged on the best combination of precision, speed, and safety. Kieffer Photography



The TRA CReWSers from the Water Environment Association of Texas earned first place in Division 1 at Operations Challenge 2017. Here the team – Quintin Winters, David Brown, Raudel Juarez, and Dale Burrow – sprint to begin the Safety Event. Jake Burwell coaches the CReWSers. The Aqua Techs also from the Water Environment Association of Texas clinched first place in Division 2.

The December issue of WE&T will include full coverage of all of the winners, events, and remarkable stories that came out fo Operations Challenge 2017. Kieffer Photography