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## Teams from the University of Guelph and University of Colorado - Boulder Win 2017 WEF Student Design Competition

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – The Water Environment Federation (WEF) proudly announces students from the University of Guelph and the University of Colorado – Boulder as winners of the 2017 Student Design Competition. The 16th annual competition took place during WEFTEC® 2017, WEF's 90th annual technical exhibition and conference.

The University of Guelph team's project, "Stormwater Management Feasibility Study for Exhibition Place in Toronto ON," won in the environmental design category and University of Colorado – Boulder's team project, "Biosolids: Digestion, Dewatering, and Handling Evaluation and Design," won in the wastewater design category. This was the first win for the University of Guelph (Water Environment Association of Ontario) and the third win for University of Colorado – Boulder (Rocky Mountain Water Environment Association).

As a program of WEF's Students & Young Professionals Committee, the competition promotes real-world design experience for students interested in pursuing an education and/or career in water/wastewater engineering and sciences. It tasks individuals or teams of students within a WEF student chapter to prepare a design to help solve a local water quality issue. Teams evaluate alternatives, perform calculations, and recommend the most practical solution based on experience, economics, and feasibility.

Members of the University of Guelph team included Emily Angermann, Nicole Ludzki, Madelaine Prince, Everett Snieder, and their faculty adviser, Dr. Andrea Bradford. Members of the University of Colorado – Boulder team included Riley McConnell, Alan Bracewell, Dillion Rodenbaugh, Elias Katsoulas, Sarah Vander Meulen, and their faculty adviser, Dr. Christopher Corwin. Both teams received certificates and their respective member associations will receive a \$2,500 award.

Greeley and Hansen, Black & Veatch, CDM Smith, and HDR sponsored this year's competition. Click <a href="here">here</a> to learn more about the WEF Student Design Competition.

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