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## **Water Utilities Invited to Participate in Resource Recovery Data Collection Survey**

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – The Water Environment Federation (WEF) is asking utilities to help assemble baseline data on the amount of resource recovery taking place at facilities in the U.S. and Canada.

WEF is asking water resource recovery facilities to complete a survey by June 29 on current practices for water reuse, nutrient recovery, and energy generation. By participating in this effort, utilities can help advance and highlight the sector's efforts on resource recovery.

The baseline data will be used to set strategic resource recovery goals for the U.S. and Canadian water sector and will be announced in October at WEFTEC in New Orleans. The aim is to encourage broader adoption of resource recovery activities in the water sector by quantifying and publicizing progress toward the goals. Supporting organizations for the project include the Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA), National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), The Water Research Foundation (WRF), and WaterReuse Association, as well as Réseau Environnement in Quebec.

“One of WEF's strategic objectives is to collaborate with our water sector partners to create a bold, aspirational, and public call to action to accelerate resource recovery,” said Eileen O'Neill, WEF Executive Director. “WEF is grateful to utilities that take the time to participate in the data collection effort, and for supporting this important project. Not only can it promote and accelerate the adoption of resource recovery practices, but it can help demonstrate publicly the true transformation taking place in our sector.”

WEF believes that wastewater treatment plants are not waste disposal facilities, but rather water resource recovery facilities that produce clean water, recover nutrients (such as phosphorus and nitrogen), and have the potential to reduce the nation's dependence upon fossil fuel through the production and use of renewable energy. To help guide utilities and sector decisionmakers, WEF developed three [Resource Recovery Roadmaps](#).

For more information and to participate in the survey: <https://www.wef.org/resource-recovery-survey>

Utilities that have questions can contact Technical Programs Manager Morgan Brown at [mbrown@wef.org](mailto:mbrown@wef.org) or call 703-684-2400 x7467.

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