



# Agenda

- Congressional Update Steve Dye/WEF
  - Election Results
  - Congressional Agenda
  - Fly-In
- Communication with State Legislatures and Regulatory Agencies - Ty Embrey
- Region 5 Update and State Issues
  - Indiana Water Environment Association Brady Dryer
  - Central States Water Environment Association Illinois Section - Carl Fischer and
  - Illinois Water Environment Association Nate Davis



# 116<sup>th</sup> Congress

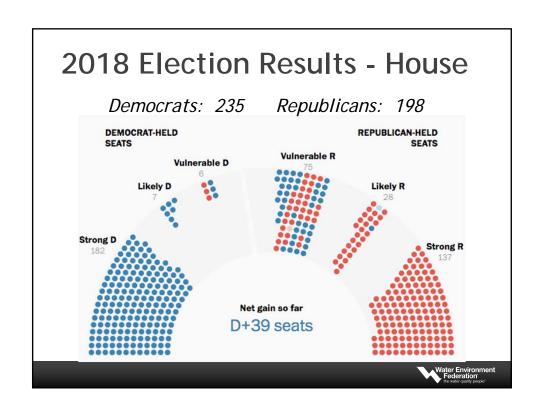
# House Leadership

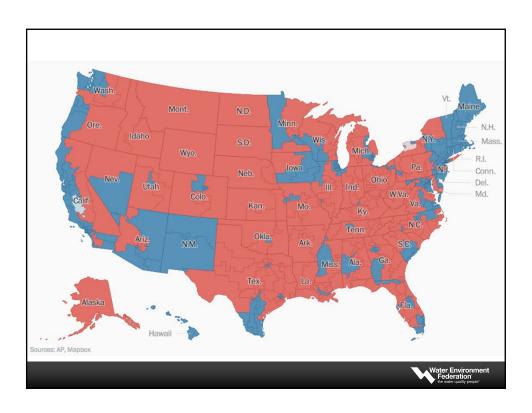
- Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)
- Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)

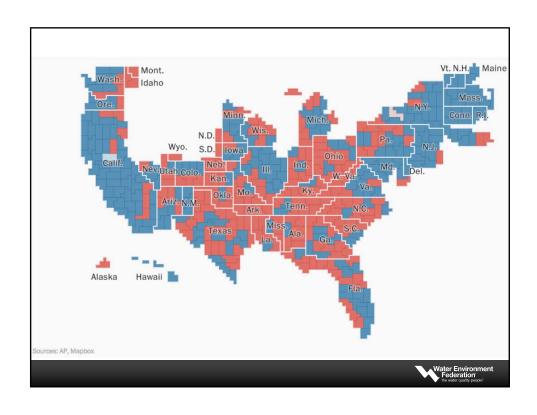
# Senate Leadership

- Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
- Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY)



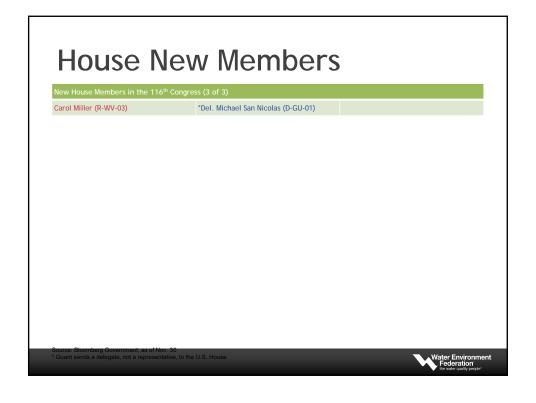


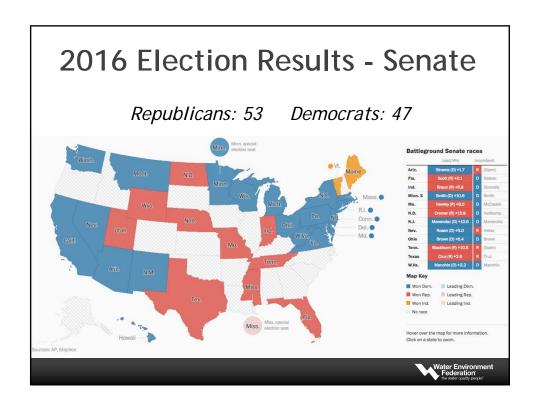




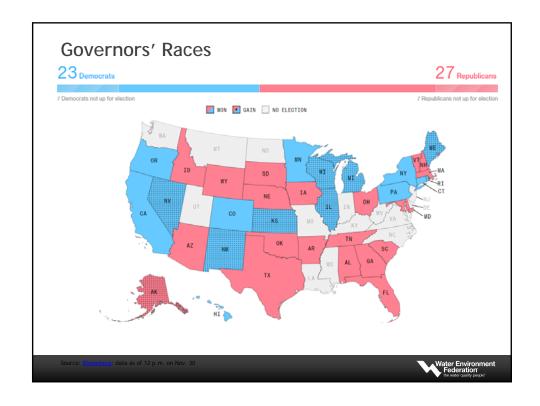
New House Members - 92 New				
New House Members in the 116 <sup>th</sup> Cor	ngress (1 of 3)			
Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-02)	Donna Shalala (D-FL-27)	Jared Golden (D-ME-02)		
Greg Stanton (D-AZ-09)	Lucy McBath (D-GA-06)	David Trone (D-MD-06)		
Josh Harder (D-CA-10)	Ed Case (D-HI-01)	Elissa Slotkin (D-MI-08)		
Katie Hill (D-CA-25)	Abby Finkenauer (D-IA-01)	Andy Levin (D-MI-09)		
Gil Cisneros (D-CA-39)	Cindy Axne (D-IA-03)	Haley Stevens (D-MI-11)		
Katie Porter (D-CA-45)	Russ Fulcher (R-ID-01)	Rashida Tlaib (D-MI-13)		
Harley Rounda (D-CA- 48)	Chuy Garcia (D-IL-04)	Jim Hagedorn (R-MN-01)		
Mike Levin (D-CA-49)	Sean Casten (D-IL-06)	Angie Craig (D-MN-02)		
Joseph Neguse (D-CO-02)	Lauren Underwood (D-IL-14)	Dean Phillips (D-MN-03)		
Jason Crow (D-CO-06)	Jim Baird (R-IN-04)	Ilhan Omar (D-MN-05)		
Jahana Hayes (D-CT-05)	Greg Pence (R-IN-06)	Pete Stauber (R-MN-08)		
Michael Waltz (R-FL-06)	Steve Watkins (R-KS-02)	Michael Guest (R-MS-03)		
Ross Spano (R-FL-15)	Sharice Davids (D-KS-03)	Mark Harris (R-NC-09)		
Greg Steube (R-FL-17)	Lori Trahan (D-MA-03)	Kelly Armstrong (R-ND-01)		
Debbie Mucarsel-Powell (D-FL-26)	Ayanna Pressley (D-MA-07)	Chris Pappas (D-NH-01)		

New House Members			
New House Members in the 116th Con	gress (2 of 3)		
Jeff Van Drew (D-NJ-02)	Kendra Horn (D-OK-05)	Van Taylor (R-TX-03)	
Andy Kim (D-NJ-03)	Madeleine Dean (D-PA-04)	Lance Gooden (R-TX-05)	
Tom Malinowski (D-NJ-07)	Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA-05)	Ron Wright (R-TX-06)	
Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ-11)	Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-06)	Lizzie Pannill Fletcher (D-TX-07)	
Deb Haaland (D-NM-01)	Susan Wild (D-PA-07)	Veronica Escobar (D-TX-16)	
Xochitl Torrres Small (D-NM-02)	Dan Meuser (R-PA-09)	Chip Roy (R-TX-21)	
Susie Lee (D-NV-03)	John Joyce (R-PA-13)	Sylvia Garcia (D-TX-29)	
Steven Horsford (D-NV-04)	Guy Reschenthaler (R-PA-14)	Colin Allred (D-TX-32)	
Max Rose (D-NY-11)	Joe Cunningham (D-SC-01)	Elaine Luria (D-VA-02)	
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY-14)	William Timmons (R-SC-04)	Denver Riggleman (R-VA-05)	
Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19)	Dusty Johnson (R-SD-01)	Ben Cline (R-VA-06)	
Anthony Brindisi (D-NY-22)	Tim Burchett (R-TN-02)	Abigail Spanberger (D-VA-07)	
Joseph Morelle (D-NY-25)	John Rose (R-TN-06)	Jennifer Wexton (D-VA-10)	
Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH-16)	Mark Green (R-TN-07)	Kim Schrier (D-WA-08)	
Kevin Hern (R-OK-01)	Dan Crenshaw (R-TX-02)	Bryan Steil (R-WI-01)	









# **Key Committee Changes**

# House Transportation & Infrastructure

- Chair Peter DeFazio\* (D-OR)
- Ranking Member Sam Graves (R-MO)

# Water Resources Subcommittee

- Chair Grace Napolitano\* (D-CA)
- Ranking Member Garrett Graves\* (R-LA)

# **House Appropriations**

- Chair Nita Lowey\* (D-NY)
- Ranking Member Kay Granger (R-TX)

# Interior & Enviro. Approps. Subcomm.

- Chair Betty McCollum\* (D-MN)
- Ranking Member Ken Calvert\* (R-CA)

\* = Likely, but not confirmed



# **Key Committees**

# Environment and Public Works

- Chair John Barrasso (R-WY)
- Ranking Member Tom Carper (D-DE)

# Transp. & Infrast. Subcomm.

- Chair Jim Inhofe (R-OK)
- Ranking Member Ben Cardin (D-MD)

# **Senate Appropriations**

- Chair Richard Shelby (R-AL)
- Ranking Member Patrick Leahy (D-VT)

# Interior & Enviro. Approps. Subcomm.

- Chair Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
- Ranking Member Tom Udall (D-NM)



# **Current Legislative Issues**

- FY19 Appropriations
- Farm Bill
- Disaster Assistance CA wildfires & Hurricane Michael
- Tax Package



# Likely 116th Legislative Issues

- Infrastructure Package
- Campaign Finance Reforms
- Ethics Oversight
- Heathcare & Prescription Drugs
- Climate Change
- Tax Fixers Bill







# Relationship Building with State Legislators and Legislative Staff

- Prepare one page document that provides background information about association and its interests for distribution to legislators and legislative staff
- Put a face to a name Have association members meet with legislators and legislative staff in legislators' districts on the local level
- Don't forget that legislative staff the staff is an important part of the equation
- Meet with legislators and legislative staff during when legislators are not in session more relaxed time and environment
- Offer subject matter expertise legislators and legislative staff are stretched thin covering many issues
- Build relationship before legislative session so that legislators and staff trust you during session is a tough time to build relationships
- Have association leadership and/or staff meet with key legislators who are involved with association issues and are chairpersons of committees of interest

# Legislative Agenda

- Start preparing months before legislative session.
- Decide what association's key issues are going to be during session – be focused.
- Identify issues to play offense on and those issues to play defense on and the legislators who can help with those issues.
- Work with legislators and legislative staff on language for any bills that association wants legislators to file and carry for association.
- Communicate legislative agenda for association to key legislators and legislative staff.
- Work proactively with legislators who have legislation that may negatively impact association.



# LINKING MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS WITH IMPORTANT FEDERAL POLICIES AND LOCAL TRENDS



INDIANA WATER ENVIRONMENT
ASSOCIATION

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (GAC)

BRADY DRYER, CHAIR/COMPLIANCE

MANAGER - COMMONWEALTH

ENGINEERS, INC.

## **OVERVIEW**



- GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (GAC)
- MEMBERSHIP
- ACTIVITIES
- STATE AGENCY COORDINATION
- COLLABORATIVE TOPICS

## **MEMBERSHIP & ACTIVITIES**



- MEMBERSHIP CONSULTANTS AND MUNICIPAL
- MONTHLY COORDINATION CALLS
- QUARTERLY MEETINGS WITH REGULATORY
   AGENCY INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF
   ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (IDEM) OFFICE
   OF WATER QUALITY (OWQ)
- 4 HOUR SESSION AT IWEA ANNUAL
   CONFERENCE IDEM & WEF UPDATES

## **AGENCY COORDINATION MEETINGS**



- MONTHLY GAC CALLS TO:
  - SHARE NEW TOPICS/UPDATES
  - PREPARE AGENDA FOR AGENCY MEETINGS.
  - DEBRIEF
- MEETINGS LAST APPROX. 2 HOURS
- INCLUDE SRF PROGRAM UPDATE
- CONFERENCE CALL AVAILABILITY



# **AGENCY COORDINATION AGENDA**

(1 OF 2)





- SENATE ENROLLED ACT 362 ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION STATUS
- WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR METALS STATUS
- ORSANCO WATER QUALITY STANDARDS STATUS
- RECREATIONAL WATER QUALITY CRITERIA CHANGE UPDATE

# AGENCY COORDINATION AGENDA

(2 OF 2)



- OPERATOR CERTIFICATION RULE WORK GROUP UPDATE
- MS4 PROGRAM UPDATE GENERAL PERMIT WORK GROUP SUMMARY, AUDITS, ETC.
- CONSTRUCTION SITE RUN-OFF GENERAL PERMIT STATUS/TIMING FOR ADOPTION
- ANTICIPATED 2019 IDEM LEGISLATION & INITIATIVES







# **AGENCY COLLABORATION HOT TOPICS (1 OF 2)**



IDEM

- RECREATIONAL WATER QUALITY CRITERIA CHANGE
  - INDIANA E. COLI DAILY MAXIMUM
  - RESIDUAL CSOS REQUIRE UAA & WATER QUALITY STANDARDS CHANGE
  - ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE APPROACH WITH RWQC
- **OPERATOR CERTIFICATION RULE WORK GROUP** 
  - UPDATE ANTIQUATED RULE
  - ENFORCEMENT ACTION
  - 3 TEST FAILURES REQUIRE ADDITIONAL TRAINING
  - ELECTRONIC TESTING INCLUSION
- MS4 GENERAL PERMIT WORK GROUP
  - TRANSITION FROM PERMIT BY RULE TO GENERAL PERMIT

# **AGENCY COLLABORATION HOT TOPICS (2 OF 2)**



- MS4 GENERAL PERMIT WORK GROUP
  - TRANSITION FROM PERMIT BY RULE TO GENERAL PERMIT (GP)
  - WORK GROUP PERMITTEES & ASSOCIATION REPS.
  - MAJOR CHANGES TO MCM'S 1 & 2
  - INTENT TO MAKE GP REQUIREMENTS **REASONABLE & ACHIEVABLE**





# IWEA COLLABORATION LOOKING TO THE FUTURE



AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION
 AMERICAN WATER WORKS



ACCELERATE INDIANA MUNICIPALITIES

- GOALS:
  - LEGISLATIVE
  - PROVIDE TECHNICAL EDUCATION TO CITY AND TOWN LEADERS



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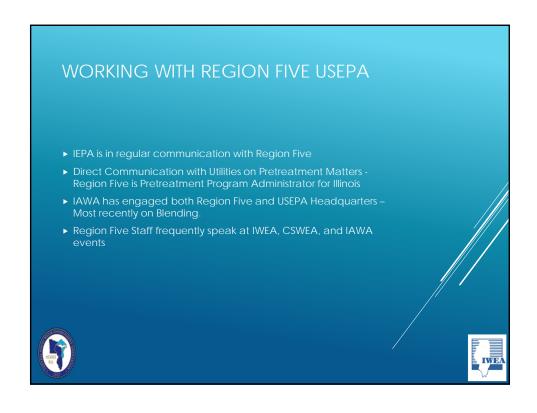


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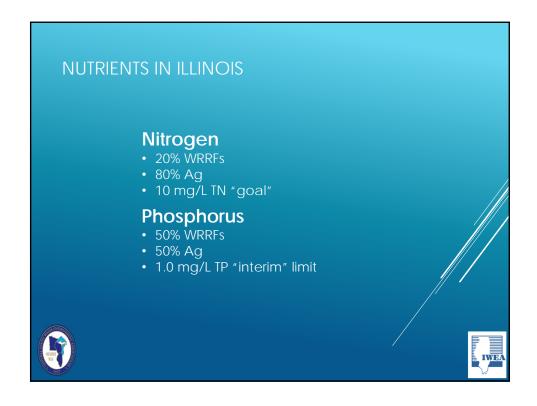




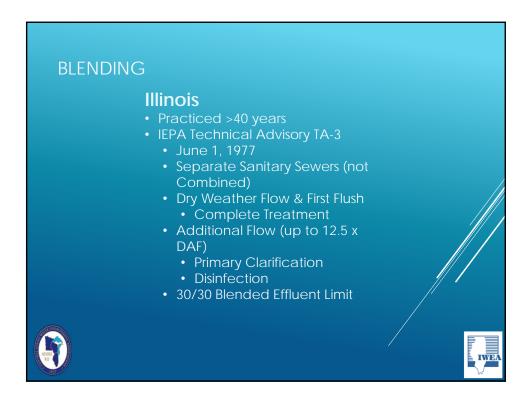
# LEGISLATIVE MONITORING INVOLVEMENT AND LOBBING IN ILLINOIS • Membership working for the common interests of Clean Water Utilities in the State. • Several Subcommittees responsible for staying abreast of regulatory trends related to their topic, informing membership, and interacting with government agencies, politicians, NGOs. • Professional Lobbyist working with the General Assembly • Interaction with NACWA and Meetings with USEPA

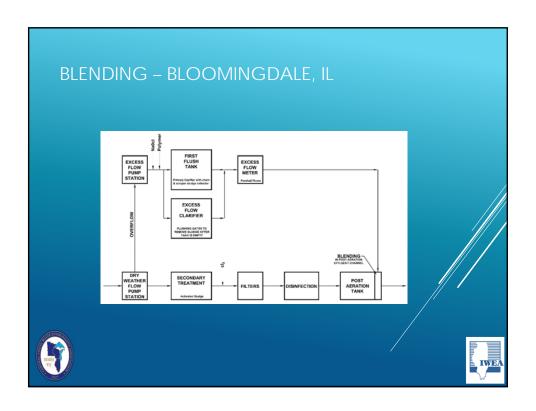


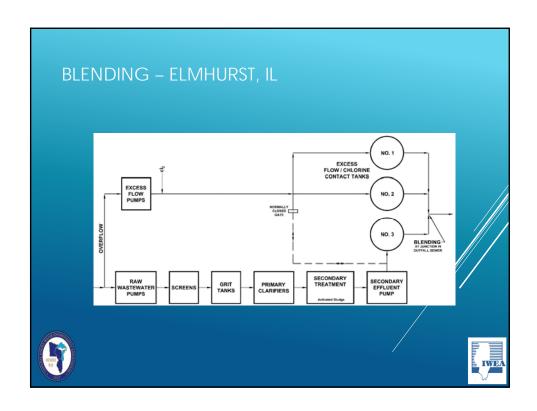
# NUTRIENTS IN ILLINOIS IL Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy . 2025 Interim Goal . 15% Reduction in Nitrate-Nitrogen . 25% Reduction in Total Phosphorus . Ultimate Goal . 45% Reduction in Nitrate-Nitrogen . 45% Reduction in Total Phosphorus . Compared to Annual Average Loadings 1980-1996



# ENVIRONMENT GROUPS VS MWRDGC Phosphorus • 0.5 mg/L 12-month rolling geometric mean TP • Chemically - 2025 • Biologically - 2030 • Later if unaffordable







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