Announcement & Call for Abstracts

Collection Systems 2021
Sewers in the Motor City – The Engine of Our Industry
March 23-26, 2021
Detroit, Michigan, USA

ABSTRACT SUBMITTAL DEADLINE: September 15, 2020

This conference is to be held by the Water Environment Federation in cooperation with the Michigan Water Environment Association.

The conference will include oral presentations, interactive discussions, pre-conference workshops, exhibits, mobile sessions, opportunities for networking in dynamic settings, as well as virtual components. Potential speakers are invited to submit an abstract for podium presentation, interactive session, workshop, or virtual presentation.

The Specialty Conference Committee is soliciting abstracts on the following topical areas.

1. Emerging Challenges
2. Design & Construction
3. Resources Management
4. Innovative Approaches & Technologies
5. Pump Stations, Force Mains & Appurtenances
6. Data Collection & Management
7. Integrated & System Planning
8. Asset Management and O&M
9. Trenchless Technology
10. Great Lakes and International Issues
11. Professional Development
12. Combined Sewer Overflow/Sanitary Sewer Overflow
13. Wet Weather Management & Control

Important Information about Collection Systems 2021 Abstracts

Method of Submittal: Online only please. Please visit www.wef.org/CollectionSystems for a direct link to the online submittal site. Abstracts must be received by Midnight Eastern on September 15, 2020.

Review Criteria: Abstracts shall be no longer than 9,000 characters (approx. 1000 words). One additional page may be submitted with tables, graphics, and/or images.

Clearly defined and addressed in the abstract submittal:

○ State Purpose – What message or knowledge transfer will be provided?
Benefits of Presentation – Clearly state why this presentation should be selected and will provide a benefit to our industry. Is it unique, new technology, a different spin on an old concept, etc.

Status of Completion – At the time of submittal, is the project-related work complete? If not, when will it be complete? Consideration for completed projects is weighted more than incomplete projects.

Conclusion – Clearly state the take-away message. Example: If several products or methods are being evaluated, there should be a definitive conclusion stated in the abstracts to why one was chosen over the others.

After Selection: All authors will be notified of their placement in the technical program in November 2020. Per WEF’s policy, selected authors are required to submit manuscripts prior to the deadline.

Presenters are expected to register for the Conference and pay the appropriate registration fee.

No travel or assistance funds are available for speakers.

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