Announcement & Call for Abstracts

Collection Systems 2022
Sewers in the Motor City – The Engine of Our Industry
April 19-22, 2022
Detroit, Michigan, USA

ABSTRACT SUBMITTAL DEADLINE: September 8, 2021

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. This year’s conference has a special emphasis on Research and Innovation. So, participation from academic research institutions, private research foundations, and utility-driven research teams is encouraged. 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. Research & Innovation
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 2022 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 8, 2021.
Review Criteria: Abstracts shall be no longer than 9,000 characters (approx. 1000 words). Tables, graphics, and/or images may also be submitted and are highly encouraged.

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/Conclusions** – At the time of submittal, is the project-related work complete? If not, when will it be complete? Does the abstract describe a complete and technically sound presentation? 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 as to why one was chosen over the others. Are there lessons learned?
- **Originality** – Does the presentation provide novel concepts and insights or innovative technologies and applications? Is the presentation based on original ideas or propositions?
- **Quality**: Is the abstract clear and concise? Does the abstract indicate the likelihood of a technically solid, well organized, and effective presentation?

After Selection: All authors will be notified of their placement in the technical program in November 2021. 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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