South Dakota Water and Wastewater Association

2026 Annual Conference Draft Agenda

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15

2:00 Operator Certification Board Mtg
6:00 AWWA-SD Section Board Meeting
6:00 SDWWA Board Meeting
7:30 AWWA YP Event-Village Bowl

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16

8:15 Golf Tournament-Lee Park GC
8:00 Trap Shoot-Aberdeen Gun Club
9:00 – 4:00 Registration in Lobby

General Session 1:00

- Welcome
- AWWA/WEF Representatives
- Dakota Mainstem Regional Water System
- Overview/Design Practices for Steel Transmission Lines
- Water/Wastewater Pump Maintenance

5:00 Commercial Committee Meet 'n Greet
6:00 Buffet Dinner (Casual Attire)
7:00 AWWA YP Bean Bag Tourney

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17

8:00 - Noon Manufacturers' Displays
9:00 - Noon Registration in Lobby
9:00 AWWA Top Ops Competition
10:30 SD WEA Annual Meeting

11:45 92nd Annual SDWWA Business Meeting & Luncheon-Sponsored by ISG

Concurrent Sessions
Wastewater – 1:00 pm

- WEF Update
- Mitchell Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Ultrasonic Line Inspection
- Moving Bed Bioreactor and Industrial wastewater
- Collection System Flow Monitoring
- MBR Treatment Overview
- Sioux Falls Expansion Project Wrap Up

Water - 1:00 pm

- SD Regulatory Update
- Hydrogeology
- WINS Project
- Mountain View WTP-Rapid City
- Asset & Emergency Management Panel

4:30 AWWA-SD Section Business Meeting

7:00 91st Annual SDWWA Banquet & Awards Ceremony (Sport Coat Suggested)

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18

7:15 "Water for People" Raffle Breakfast Sponsored by Victaulic

General Session – 8:15 am

- SRF Funding Update
- Retirement Planning
- System Development Charges/Rates 101
- Aberdeen WRF Expansion
- Effective Utility Management
- Clay RWS New WTP CMAR

The Conference

The 91st Annual SDWWA Conference will be composed of sessions aimed at improved plant operations, maintenance, controls and problems encountered in water and wastewater operations. The conference is of interest to all water and wastewater supervisors, utilities managers, operators, and city officials. (Ten contact hours for complete attendance at the conference will be given for operator certificate renewal. Attendance will be taken at each session.)

This is not intended to be a basic water or wastewater certification training course. The needs of the beginning operator and operators studying for certification exams may be better served through classes presented by the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems through a contract with DANR.

SDWWA Web Site www.sdwwa.org

Display Booths

Companies interested in having a display booth during the Thursday morning session should contact Chad Hanson of the Commercial Committee at 605-838-8052 or check web site at www.sdwwa.org.

Trap Shoot

Persons interested in participating in the Trap Shoot on Wednesday morning should contact Kyle Kampshoff at 605-999-4580 or check web site at www.sdwwa.org.

Golf Tournament

Persons interested in playing in the Wednesday morning Commercial Committee Golf Tournament should contact Tim Monson at 605-339-2814 or check web site at www.sdwwa.org.

AWWA Water Taste Test

The competition will take place at the SD Water & Wastewater Association (SDWWA) Annual Conference. Please bring your sample in a one-quart glass jar (example-mason jar) to the AWWA Display Booth during the tabletop display session on Thursday September 17 between 8:00 am-12:00 pm to enter. Jar should be labeled with water system name. Prizes for first and second place. Winner gets to represent SD at the AWWA Annual Conference and Expo (ACE27) with some travel expenses being paid for by the SD AWWA Section (Must be AWWA Member). All samples must be submitted by noon Thursday September 17, 2026 to be considered.

Guests

Guests are welcome to attend the meals as there will be meal tickets available.

Wednesday Buffet	$35.00	Thursday Business Luncheon	$25.00
Thursday Annual Banquet	$45.00	Friday Breakfast Buffet	$17.00

These meal tickets may be purchased at the registration desk.

Registration

Pre-Registration can be done thru the SDWWA web site until September 1. Go to the web site and obtain a pre-registration form to submit thru the mail with payment. **Please try to pre-register if possible to avoid lines.**

The on-site registration will be open in the Lobby Area as follows:

Wednesday, September 16: 9:00 - 4:00 **Thursday, September 17**: 9:00 – Noon

Be prepared to pay for your registration w/ a check, cash, or credit card.

Registration Fees

SDWWA Member Pre-Reg*	$150.00	Member Reg after September 1*	$160.00
Non-Member Pre-Reg	$170.00	Non-Member after September 1	$180.00
Member* 1 Day Pre-Reg	$60.00	Non-Member 1 Day Pre-Reg	$70.00

** Member as of August 1, 2026*

The basic registration fee for the SDWWA Conference is $150/$160 for SDWWA members and $170/$180 for non-members. This includes the Wednesday buffet, the Thursday Business Luncheon, Annual Banquet, Friday Breakfast, annual membership dues, and other miscellaneous benefits. One-day registration does not include any meals.

Accommodations

There may be some rooms left at Best Western. If not, there are numerous other motels in Aberdeen.

Best Western (Formerly Ramkota Inn)..……..…605-229-4040

SDAWWA/SDWEA

These organizations will be meeting during the conference as follows:

AWWA Annual Meeting……..Sept 17-4:30 pm SDWEA Annual Meeting…..Sept 17-10:30 am

Questions?

Please contact Rob Kittay 605-280-7981 or rob.kittay@pie.midco.net