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Good afternoon,

Hope this day finds you well! I am looking for 3 managers to speak on a panel at our fall conference for Wednesday, September 27th from 2-3 pm to profile their district through experience sharing-and each speaker gets the opportunity to select the experience of their choice. There will be 3: 1 large, 1 medium and 1 small district panelist. I have identified where each of you would fit into this panelist model. Would you like to speak in front of your peers and commissioners for their benefit?

I will cover one nights accommodation for you and only charge a one-day registration for your conference participation. I will need to know ASAP as well as what you would like to cover, please, as my publish deadline date is approaching quickly.

Many thanks for your consideration!

Invited Panelists:

- · Small District---- Bill Neal, North Beach Water District
- · Medium District--- Randy Black, Lakewood Water District

• Large District--- Al Nelson, Northshore Utility District (Perhaps on management transition-just a random suggestion)

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Don't Miss this Informative Member District Profile Panel!

# MEMBER DISTRICT PROFILE PANEL Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 2:00 pm

**Change** – change is an ongoing challenge facing water and sewer districts as we move forward. **Adaptation** – as we face these changes we take steps to adapt to meet the needs of our communities. Whether it is changing financing due to outside influences, changing staff and leadership as we face the aging management issue or endeavor to become more independent and responsive to our customers. Join us as we hear from three districts, varying in size from small to large, to hear about how they are adapting and dealing with changes being faced in today's world of water and wastewater Districts.

> This Conference offers .3 CEU. This Workshop is one of the sessions that offers a CEU. You must attend this session in order to gain CEU at this Conference.

#### North Beach Water District, Presented by General Manager Bill Neil

North Beach Water District obtained two Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loans totaling \$3,090,000. The District has about \$900,000 work left to complete the projects. The legislature failed to pass a capital budget last session. Consequently, the department of commerce has suspended our loans as of June 15, 2017. The District has to make decisions about alternate funding to complete its project. Do we fund the project from reserves and hope the legislature passes a capital budget soon? If we fund current and future invoices from reserve funds will the District be reimbursed through the DWSRF loan when a capital budget is passed? We have many questions and very few answers.

#### Olympic View Water and Sewer District, Presented by General Manager Lynne Danielson

We have come a long way from the original concept of special purpose water and wastewater districts that have been formed when there is a need to provide these services in areas outside of cities and towns. We have had the luxury of having a singular purpose, with elected officials who spend time learning the ins and outs of our business. We maintain the ability to pay for our needs, operations, maintenance and capital, by evaluating current and future needs and setting fees to meet those projected needs. Our staff does not have to be spread between water, wastewater, storm water, parks, streets and a myriad of other competing demands. Olympic View, having reached its' 80<sup>th</sup> year of operation, has taken steps to reduce its dependency on regional water provider by having both a surface water source and future well field, all within a dense urban setting.

#### Northshore Utility District, Presented by Assistant General Manager Al Nelson

Northshore Utility has been providing water and sewer service along the north end of Lake Washington for over 70 years. Like other utilities, the District has undergone numerous transformations and changes. The District had previously been described as a "mom and pop" shop but has evolved into a highly respected, financially healthy, professional organization. The overall culture of the organization is one of innovation, collaboration, efficiency and fairness. The opportunity to continue improving a well-run organization during upcoming change of leadership and staff is an exciting and challenging opportunity.



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## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

You are registered for the 2017 Fall Conference & Trade Show being held on September 27, 28, 29, 2017 at the Wenatchee Convention Center in Wenatchee, WA. The registration desk will open on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. Workshops begin at 2:00 p.m. The Exhibits will be open at 3:00 p.m. There will be an Exhibitors Reception held from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. followed by Dinner (including golf awards) from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m at the Convention Center.

When you check in at the registration desk you will receive your registration packet, which includes your name badge, meal tickets, program and conference materials. Your conference registration includes Reception and Dinner on Wednesday; Breakfast, Lunch and Reception on Thursday; and Breakfast on Friday as well as all breaks. Please note that Thursday night dinner is on your own. **If you require special meals and have not already notified our office, please do so as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.** Spouse meals are not included in your registration fee with the exception of the Hospitality Luncheon on Thursday. If your spouse or guest would like to participate in meals, meal tickets may be purchased at the registration desk and are priced to cover actual cost.

The Fall Scholarship Golf Tournament will take place on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at the Highlander Golf Course. If you are registered for golf you will receive a separate confirmation.

WASWD Door Prizes will be given away on Friday at the conclusion of the Business Meeting. You must be present to win. There will also be a drawing in the Exhibits hall on Thursday at 3:15 p.m. for those Exhibitors that have prizes to be raffled. Bring plenty of business cards to place in the drawings!

Please note that acknowledgement of your Conference Registration does not in any way confirm your hotel accommodations. It is your responsibility to ensure that your accommodations have been arranged.

Attached you will find directions to the Wenatchee Convention Center. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. See you in Wenatchee!

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### Directions to Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Avenue · Wenatchee, WA 98801

From Seattle and West:

- I-90 East toward Bellevue/Spokane.
- Take Exit 85 for WA-970 North toward WA-903 N/Wenatchee.
- Turn Left onto WA-970/East 1<sup>st</sup> Street.
- Turn Right to stay on WA-970/East 1<sup>st</sup> Street.
- WA-970 becomes WA-970 East.
- WA-970 East becomes US-97.
- Merge onto US-97 North/US-2 East toward Wenatchee.
- Continue onto North Wenatchee Avenue. Park between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets or turn left on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and park in Convention Center parking lot.

From Spokane and East:

- I-90 West toward Seattle.
- Take Exit 151 for WA-281 North toward Quincy/Wenatchee and continue to follow WA-281 North.
- Turn Left onto WA-28/F Street.
- WA-28 becomes WA-285 North.
- Take the ramp towards US-2 Business/City Center and merge onto South Wenatchee Avenue.
- Turn Right onto South Wenatchee Avenue. Park between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets or turn left on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and park in Convention Center parking lot.

From Yakima and South:

- I-82 West toward Selah/Ellensburg.
- I-90 West toward Seattle.
- Take Exit 106 for US-97 North toward Wenatchee and continue to follow US-97 North.
- Merge onto US-97 North/US-2 East toward Wenatchee.
- Continue onto North Wenatchee Avenue. Park between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets or turn left on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and park in Convention Center parking lot.

