

40th Annual Conference On the Environment, November 6th, 2025

Air and Waste Management Association - Upper Midwest Section (A&WMA)
Central States Water Environment Association - Minnesota Section (CSWEA)

7:00 - 10:00	Vendor Display Booth Set Up (set up 7 AM and 10 AM), Student Poster Set Up (set up 7 AM and 8 AM)		MCC Mezzanine Lobby		
7:30 - 9:00	Registration, Continental Breakfast, and New Member Welcome		MCC Mezzanine Lobby		
8:50 - 9:00	Welcome: Mark Enochs, CSWEA & Kathryn Anderson, A&WMA		MCC Room M100A/B/J/I		
9:00 - 9:45	Keynote Speaker: Mr. Bill Keegan, President, Dem-Con Companies		MCC Room M100A/B/J/I		
10:20 - 12:00	Student Environmental Challenge Desk Top Presentations		MCC Room M101C		
	Session 1 Wastewater Treatment Moderator: Emma Larson, City of St. Cloud	Session 2 Wastewater Regulations and Updates Moderator: Shanna Czeck, City of St. Clou		Session 3 MPCA Air Update Moderator: John Ke, Trinity Consultants	Session 4 Air Permitting Moderator: Tony Colombari, Trinity Consultants
	MCC Room M100F	MCC Room M100G/H		MCC Room M100C/D	MCC Room M100E
10:30 - 11:00	A New Integrated Approach for Beneficial Uses of Biogas-CO2 in Wastewater Treatment Bryan Johnson, Energy Tech Innovations, LLC	PFAS Regulatory Update - Featuring Industrial Stormwater Aisha Balogh, Barr Engineering	10:30 - 11:00	Air quality regulations: The year in review Hassan Bouchareb and Megan Kuhl-Stennes, MPCA	
11:00 - 11:30	Evaluating Alternatives to Biosolids Land Application: A Systemic Approach Ali Ling, University of St Thomas	Divergence of the Clean Water and Endangered Species Acts – Lessons from a Florida Manatee Case Kara Hempy-Mayer, Burns & McDonnell	11:00 - 11:30		
11:30 - 12:00	Polymers Perfected: Strategies for Smarter Optimization Jackie Strait and Rachel Grupe, HR Green	Hacky-Sackett: How Courts and Regulatory Agencies Have Juggled the Landmark Wetland Decision Jeremy Greenhouse, Fredrikson & Byron P.A.	11:30 - 12:00	Minnesota Climate Calculator for Individual Projects Stephanie Aho, Minnesota Environmental Quality Board	Upcoming Federal (De)Regulations – What Might and Might Not Be Finalized Tony Colombari, Trinity Consultants
12:00 - 1:00	Luncheon/Vendor Display Booths Open/Grad Student Posters Display/ Student Challenge Awards				MCC Room M100A/B/J/I
1:00 - 2:30	Student Environmental Challenge Desk Top Presentations		MCC Room M101C		
	Session 5 Wastewater Emissions Moderator: Warren Olinger, TKDA	Session 6 Industrial Wastewater Management Moderator: Mark Enochs, MNX inc		Session 7 Environmental Justice Moderator: Eben Kowler, Environmental Initiative	Session 8 Monitoring and Modeling Moderator: Sam Cronister, Stantec
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1:00- 1:45	Programmatic Odor Control Isabel Reams, Hazen and Sawyer	Changing Narratives in Industrial Wastewater Treatment Solutions – Resource Recovery & Reuse Adriaan van der Beek, FRC	1:00- 1:30	Regulatory, technical, and community perspectives related to cumulative impacts and environmental justice in Minnesota Bill Hefner, Fredrikson & Byron P.A.; Jenni Koenen, Barr; Brooke Roper, M.Ed., Hopkins School Board Kathleen Schuler, MPH, Health Professionals for a Healthy Climate	How Temporary Air Monitors Can Help Your Facility John Ke, Trinity Consultants
1:45 - 2:30	Two Birds, One Test: Off-gas Testing for Assessing Scope 1 and Scope 2 Emissions George Kontos, Carollo Engineers	Bongards Creameries, Perham Facility: Industrial Wastewater Management System Overview Peter Daniels, Stantec	1:30 - 2:00		Update on MPCA's New Modeling Practice Joshua Markham, MPCA
			2:00 - 2:30		MSW Digesters & Biochar: Solving Air Permitting Challenges for Innovative Waste Solutions Ryan Birkenholz, Burns & McDonnell
2:30 - 3:00 Break	Vendor Display Booths Open & Grad Student Posters, MCC Lobby Area				
	Session 9 Water Sector Management Moderator: Katie Wolohan, Barr Engineering	Session 10 Stormwater Management Moderator: Lauren McCarley, Stantec		Session 11 Air Legal Issues Moderator: Ryan Birkenholz, Burns & McDonnell	Session 12 RMP and HFC Moderator: Shelley Koehn, 3M Company
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3:00 - 3:30	Bottled Water Get a Taste of Tap Water Naeem Qureshi, Sambatek	Removing Frequently Detected Contaminants of Emerging Concern (CECs) from stormwater with Augmented Biofilters Zihang Wang, University of Minnesota	3:00 - 3:30	One If By Sea, Two If By Air . . . and NEPA: Analyzing Four Environmental Decisions from the Most Recent Supreme Court Term Lindsey Remakel, Devin Driscoll, Tom Brett, and Bill Hefner, Fredrikson & Byron P.A.	Getting Knocked Out by the Pendulum: The 2024 EPA RMP Rule Changes and Strategies for Compliance William Lape, SCS Consultants
3:30 - 4:00	Enhancing Water Resource Management Through Climate-Responsive Demand Assessment Mugal Samrat Dahal, Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.	Macroinvertebrate Recovery and Stable Microbial eDNA Reveal Stream Health Trend in the Boardman River Habetamu Abide, Bethel University	3:30 - 4:00		
4:00 - 4:30	SPCC & SWPPP: Tips and Tricks Russell Novotny, Trinity Consultants	Roadside Deicing Salt Phytoremediation by Plant Accumulation Yuanhang Zhan, University of Minnesota	4:00 - 4:30	PM2.5: New NAAQS Implementation Issues Katie Swor, Stantec	Keep Your Cool with the New HFC Management Rule Jena DeRung, Trinity Consultants
4:30 - 6:00	Cash Bar/Networking Event, MCC Lobby Area				