2026 ACWWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

FLOWING FORWARD - FROM SCARCITY TO SUSTAINABILITY

Please join us for the annual ACWWA conference in Moncton, NB, in October 2026 for a conference you won't forget. We can't wait to welcome you to Moncton, a city full of energy, culture and East Coast hospitality. Discover the intriguing mystery of Magnetic Hill, where cars appear to defy gravity and roll uphill - an experience that continues to fascinate visitors from around the world. Enjoy live performances at the Casino or the historic Capitol Theatre, one of Canada's few fully restored vaudeville venues.

Just a short drive from Moncton, you'll find idyllic beaches and breathtaking natural wonders. Take a day trip to the Bay of Fundy or the Acadian coast, then return to Moncton's vibrant downtown to indulge in exceptional dining and warm East Coast hospitality.

The Moncton, NB committee is targeting a first-class technical program for the 2026 ACWWA Annual Conference, being held at the Delta Beauséjour, located in the heart of our beautiful downtown, and just a short stroll away from the world-renowned Tidal Bore. The conference committee is calling on municipalities, consultants, suppliers, researchers, students, and industry representatives to submit technical abstracts on current topics and flowing forward from scarcity to sustainability within our industry. We are hoping to receive a varied range of topics so we can appeal to all the conference attendees.

Reunite with friends and colleagues as we share Moncton's friendliness and discuss the many issues and changes that we face in the water and wastewater industry. The conference will feature technical sessions, the ABEA tradeshow, networking opportunities, water taste test, and technical tours.

Presentations

The ACWWA is inviting abstract submissions for the 2026 Conference in Moncton, NB. All topics related to the water and wastewater profession will be considered, with specific emphasis this year on abstracts considering the theme of *scarcity to sustainability*. Abstracts submitted for consideration in the technical program should fall under one of the three primary categories: 1) technical presentations on relevant water or wastewater projects, technological advancements or research on water and wastewater, 2) presentations featuring case studies illustrating a practical application of tools or services, and 3) presentations on workforce attraction. Presentations will be 20 minutes in length with 5 minutes for questions. **Abstracts that are written as a sales pitch without a case study or practical application of the technology will not be considered for the technical program.**

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Fresh Ideas Competition

Please indicate if the presenter is a first-time Emerging Leader participant (formerly known as Young Professional – a student or professional under 35 years of age) at the ACWWA section conference and would like to be considered for the Fresh Ideas program that has been developed through AWWA's Manufacturers / Associates Council and the Emerging Leaders. Based on conference feedback, we're introducing a refreshed format designed to make judging more engaging and accessible, while giving Fresh Ideas presenters greater visibility. This year accepted Fresh Ideas entries be presented through a dedicated poster session at the conference, allowing opportunities for attendees to connect directly with presenters and learn about their work. The top poster presentation selected by judges will be given the opportunity to attend a national conference held by the American Waterworks Association or Member Association or the Water Environment Federation, representing the Emerging Leaders of ACWWA. The ACWWA will provide the winner with a stipend to assist with conference registration and travel costs to the conference. Please note that the Fresh Ideas program does not permit co-presenters, and the Emerging Leader that submitted the abstract must deliver the poster presentation.

Calling All Operators and Students!

We are excited to offer an added incentive for operators. Operators whose abstracts are accepted will have their conference registration waived! Also, in addition to being considered for the Fresh Ideas program students whose abstracts are accepted will have their ACWWA conference registration waived.

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts

Please submit an abstract (maximum length of 300 words), a presenter biography (maximum length of 200 words) and copyright release form at **https://acwwa.ca/abstract-submission** by **March 1, 2026**.

Selection Criteria

Submissions will be reviewed based on the significance of the work / content to a broad audience, originality of the work, new concepts, improvements or new data, technical content, the status of the completeness of the work, and the relevance to the theme of the conference, if applicable. Case studies on new technologies and industry presentations that are innovative / educational are encouraged, however submissions that appear to be marketing material for a particular product or company will not be accepted. Authors will be notified of the selection of their abstracts for presentation by the **end of July 2026**.