

New Mexico Rural Water Association's 16th Annual Southern Fall Conference 2026
October 20th – 22nd

Tuesday 10/20/2026	Ventana #1 Water Operator Certification	Ventana #2 Wastewater Operator Certification	Ventana #3 Infrastructure	Organ View Terrace Hot Topics
8:00 – 9:00	Introduction to Water Systems <i>1 credit</i>	WW Collections <i>1 credit</i>	LeakTracer: Satellite Leak Detection Technology <i>1 credit</i>	Identifying System Vulnerabilities <i>1 credit</i>
9:15 - 10:15	Operator Responsibilities <i>1 credit</i>	Ponds & Lagoons <i>1 credit</i>	Saving Money Pumping Ground Water <i>1 credit</i>	Increasing Resiliency & Drought Planning <i>1 credit</i>
10:30 - 11:30	Valves for the Water Industry <i>1 credit</i>	Fixed Film <i>1 credit</i>	Common Water Tank Inspection Methods & Upgrades <i>1 credit</i>	Preparing for Contingencies & Disasters <i>1 credit</i>
1:00 - 2:00	Distribution Systems <i>1 credit</i>	Sludge Holding <i>1 credit</i>	SCADA for All <i>1 credit</i>	Reading & Interpreting Construction Drawings <i>1 credit</i>
2:30 - 3:30	Ground Water / Wells <i>1 credit</i>	Sampling & Reporting <i>1 credit</i>	Leveraging Storage Tanks to Improve Water Quality <i>1 credit</i>	Funding Opportunities <i>1 credit</i>
4:00 - 5:00	Pumps & Motors <i>1 credit</i>	WW Pumps & Motors <i>1 credit</i>	Building Resilience: Free Resources to Mitigate Physical & Cyber Risk <i>1 credit</i>	Utility Operator Certification: Certemy and Application Process <i>1 credit</i>

Day one notes and events:

- ⇒ Registration / Check-in 7:00 am.
- ⇒ 9:00 – 9:15 Coffee Break in Exhibit Hall
- ⇒ 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break in Exhibit Hall
- ⇒ 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch provided in the Exhibit Hall.
- ⇒ 2:00 – 2:30 Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall
- ⇒ 3:30 – 4:00 Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall

Wednesday 10/21/2026	Ventana #1	Ventana #2	Ventana #3	Organ View Terrace
	Water Operator Certification	Wastewater Operator Certification	Asset Management	Emerging Contaminants
8:00 – 11:45	Exhibitor Demonstration Classes - 3.0 credit hours available (0.5 credit hour per session)			
8:00 - 8:30 8:35 - 9:05	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos
9:10 - 9:40 9:45 - 10:15	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos
10:30 - 11:00 11:05 - 11:35	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos
1:00 - 2:00	Disinfection <i>1 credit</i>	Activated Sludge <i>1 credit</i>	Asset Management & Emergency Response (Part 1) <i>1 credit</i>	Managing Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) with Resins <i>1 credit</i>
2:15 - 3:15	Water Meters O&M <i>1 credit</i>	Activated Sludge Cont. <i>1 credit</i>	Asset Management & Emergency Response Cont. (Part 2) <i>1 credit</i>	Micro Plastics - The Latest & Greatest <i>1 credit</i>
3:30 - 4:30	Cross Connection / Backflow Prevention <i>1 credit</i>	WW Disinfection <i>1 credit</i>	Asset Management & Emergency Response Cont. (Part 3) <i>1 credit</i>	Disinfection Byproducts (DBP's) & Total Organic Carbon (TOC) Relationship <i>1 credit</i>

Day two notes and events:

- ⇒ Coffee and Pastries provided in the Exhibit Hall 7:00 am.
- ⇒ Exhibitor Booth Demonstration Classes 8:00 am – 11:35 am. Each demo class is worth 0.5 CEU credits towards certification. There will be 6 sessions.
- ⇒ 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break in Exhibit Hall
- ⇒ 11:35 – 1:00 Lunch provided in the Exhibit Hall.
- ⇒ 2:00 – 2:15 Refreshment Break in Corridor
- ⇒ 3:15 – 3:30 Refreshment Break in Corridor
- ⇒ **Exhibit Hall Closes at 1:00 PM**

Thursday 10/22/2026	Ventana #1	Ventana #2	Ventana #3	Organ View Terrace
	Water Operator Certification	Wastewater Operator Certification	NMED - DWB	Water Sampler Certification
8:00 – 9:00	Water Math 1 credit	WW Math 1 credit	Lead & Copper Rule Improvement (LCRI) Updates 1 credit	Water Sampling 1 credit
9:15 - 10:15	Water Math Cont. 1 credit	WW Math Cont. 1 credit	Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Regulatory Updates 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
10:30 - 11:30	Water Math Cont. 1 credit	WW Math Cont. 1 credit	Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR's) 2026 Updates 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
1:00 - 2:00	Water Math Cont. 1 credit	WW Math Cont. 1 credit	Sanitary Surveys: The Process 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
2:15 - 3:15	Test Taking Skills 1 credit	WW Practice Exam 1 credit	Source Water Protection Planning 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
3:30 - 4:30	Practice Exam / Review 1 credit	WW Practice Exam / Review 1 credit	Source Water Protection: On-line Resources 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit

Day three notes and events:

- ⇒ Coffee provided 7:00 am.
- ⇒ 9:00 – 9:15 Coffee Break in Corridor
- ⇒ 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break in Corridor
- ⇒ 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch on your own.
- ⇒ 2:00 – 2:15 Refreshment Break in Corridor
- ⇒ 3:15 – 3:30 Refreshment Break in Corridor

Conference Concludes at 4:30PM