

New Mexico Rural Water Association's 16th Annual Southern Fall Conference 2026

October 20th – 22nd

Tentative Schedule

Tuesday 10/20/2026	Ventana #2	Ventana #1	Ventana #3	Organ View Terrace
	Water Operator Certification	Wastewater Operator Certification	Infrastructure	Hot Topics
8:00 – 9:00	Introduction to Water Systems 1 credit	WW Collections 1 credit	Smart Water Meters 1 credit	Emergency Identification 1 credit
9:15 - 10:15	Operator Responsibilities 1 credit	Ponds & Lagoons 1 credit	Saving Money Pumping Ground Water 1 credit	Increasing Resiliency & Drought Planning 1 credit
10:30 - 11:30	Ground Water / Wells 1 credit	Fixed Film 1 credit	TBD 1 credit	Emergency Response Planning, Mitigation & Implementation 1 credit
1:00 - 2:00	Pumps & Motors 1 credit	Sludge Holding 1 credit	SCADA for All 1 credit	Funding Opportunities 1 credit
2:30 - 3:30	Pumps & Motors / Hydraulics 1 credit	Sampling & Reporting 1 credit	Leveraging Storage Tanks to Improve Water Quality 1 credit	Reading & Interpreting Construction Drawings 1 credit
4:00 - 5:00	Valves for the Water Industry 1 credit	WW Pumps & Motors 1 credit	TBD 1 credit	Utility Operator Certification: Certemy and Application Process 1 credit

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 #2	Ventana #1	Ventana #3	Organ View Terrace
	Water Operator Certification	Wastewater Operator Certification	System Mapping	Project Management
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
10:40 - 11:10 11:15 - 11:45	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos	NO Class / Exhibitor Booth Demos
1:00 - 2:00	Distribution <i>1 credit</i>	Activated Sludge <i>1 credit</i>	Starting an Asset Management Program <i>1 credit</i>	Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) <i>1 credit</i>
2:15 - 3:15	Disinfection <i>1 credit</i>	Activated Sludge Cont. <i>1 credit</i>	Asset Management Planning: Getting the Most from your Assets <i>1 credit</i>	Micro Plastics - The Latest & Greatest <i>1 credit</i>
3:30 - 4:30	Water Meters O&M / Cross Connections <i>1 credit</i>	WW Disinfection <i>1 credit</i>	Asset Management Strategies <i>1 credit</i>	Disinfection Byproducts (DBP's) & Total Organic Carbon (TOC) Relationship <i>1 credit</i>

Day two notes and events:

- ⇒ Coffee provided in the Exhibit Hall 7:00 am.
- ⇒ Exhibitor Booth Demonstration Classes 8:00 am – 11:45 am. Each demo class is worth 0.5 CEU credits towards certification. There will be 6 sessions.
- ⇒ 10:15 – 10:40 Coffee Break in Exhibit Hall
- ⇒ 11:45 – 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 #2	Ventana #1	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 Practice Exam 1 credit	NMED 1 credit	Water Sampling 1 credit
9:15 - 10:15	Water Math Cont. 1 credit	WW Practice Exam / Review 1 credit	NMED 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
10:30 - 11:30	Water Math Cont. 1 credit	TBD 1 credit	NMED 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
1:00 - 2:00	Test Taking Skills 1 credit	WW Math 1 credit	NMED 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
2:15 - 3:15	Practice Exam 1 credit	WW Math Cont. 1 credit	NMED 1 credit	Water Sampling Cont. 1 credit
3:30 - 4:30	Practice Exam / Review 1 credit	WW Math Cont. 1 credit	NMED 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