

WATER SUPPLY ASSOCIATION OF BC - OPERATOR TRAINING OUTLINE

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OCTOBER 29TH & 30TH, 2026

PRESTIGE LAKESIDE RESORT, NELSON, BC

The following sessions will take place by the following Vendors in the Trade Show Area

Each session will be a set time then move on to the next vendor

Thursday, October 29th: Vendor Training Day for Water System Operators

8:45 9:45 a.m. Registration & Networking

9:45 a.m. Actual Course Start Time

Join us for a full day of practical, operator-focused training delivered by industry experts and leading waterworks suppliers. These sessions are designed to provide valuable field knowledge, best practices, and hands-on insights that operators can immediately apply within their own systems.

CEU's awarded = .5

Topics include:

Flow Systems – Water Meter 101: Matt Stoltz

1. Fundamentals of water metering
2. Meter selection, accuracy, and performance
3. Common installation and operational considerations

Westlake Pipe and Fittings – Municipal Pipe and Fittings Best Practices Darcy Dion

1. Municipal water and wastewater pipe and fitting systems and applications
2. Product selection, installation requirements, and joining methods
3. Preventing common field installation issues and maximizing asset service life

Star Pipe Canada– MJ Fitting and Restraint Best Practices: Craig Sloan

1. Mechanical joint fitting applications
2. Proper restraint systems and installation techniques
3. Avoiding common field installation issues

Centrix Control Solutions – Metering Pump Technology: Paul Wessel

1. Pump selection and operation
2. Chemical dosing best practices
3. Troubleshooting and maintenance tips

ADS – Inserta-Tee Installation for Storm and Water Systems: Cory Robinson

1. Installation procedures and field applications
2. Best practices for tapping existing infrastructure

3. Improving efficiency and reducing installation costs

Mueller Canada – Pressure Management Joel Sansome

1. Use pressure management to directly reduce water loss
2. Use pressure management to reduce water main breaks
3. Remote pressure technology to provide information outside of the fence
4. Detecting pressure problems and abnormalities before they become bigger problems
5. Going beyond monitoring to actively control and optimize pressure

Terminal City Iron Works – Hydrant Maintenance: Mike Edwards

1. Inspection, testing, and maintenance procedures
2. Extending hydrant service life
3. Improving reliability and emergency readiness

USC Utility Supply (West) CORP. – Deep Dive into Bolted Couplings: Dave Brewer

1. Restrained and non-restrained coupling applications
2. Installation best practices
3. Repair strategies and system reliability considerations

Why Attend?



Earn EOCP continuing education credits



Learn directly from manufacturers and technical specialists



Gain practical knowledge you can take back to your utility



Network with operators, managers, and industry suppliers



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