



WASHINGTON STATE
Public Works Board
Infrastructure is Fundamental

Tools for Funding Future Infrastructure Projects Regional Training Event Yakima, Washington

What?

FREE Training Opportunity – CML/CEU Credits Available!

When?

Thursday, April 20, 2017 – 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Where:

[Best Western Plus – Vintage Valley Inn](#)

911 Vintage Valley Parkway, Zillah, WA 98953

Who?

Operators, managers, council members, engineers, and others are encouraged to attend.

Deadline to Register is April 12, 2017.

Training Sessions:

- 8:30 am Check-in and Complimentary Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am General Session: State & Federal Funding Program Panel
- 10:00 am Project Planning and Cost Effectiveness – David Dunn PE, [Department of Ecology](#)
- 11:00 am Complimentary Lunch
- 11:45 am Asset Management – Karen Klocke, [Department of Health](#), and Heather Cannon, [Rural Community Assistance Corp \(RCAC\)](#)
- 2:00 pm Rate Setting – Angie Sanchez Virnoche, [FCS Group](#)

To view Session Descriptions visit: www.pwb.wa.gov/Resource-Center/Training

[Click Here for Online Registration](#)

Or contact Barbara Smith at (360) 725-2744, barbara.smith@commerce.wa.gov

Seating is limited in this facility so please register early.

TECH TEAMS: Due to feedback we received at our previous trainings, we will not be holding concurrent tech teams during this training, in order to maximize participants' training time. Tech Teams can be arranged for another time, either at your site, another site, or via Skype. Please contact Carrie Calleja at (360) 725-3015, or carrie.calleja@commerce.wa.gov.

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Agenda

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8:30 a.m. **8:30 am – Registration, and Complimentary Continental Breakfast**

9:00 am – WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

GENERAL SESSION: FUNDING PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This panel session will provide information on new policies, requirements, and areas of focus for a variety of infrastructure funding programs, including Dept. of Health's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, Dept. of Ecology's Water Quality funding, USDA Rural Development, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), CERB, TIB, RCO, RCAC, Public Works Trust Fund, and more!

9:45 a.m. **BREAK**
Opportunity to speak to individual program staff

10:00 a.m. **PROJECT PLANNING AND COST EFFECTIVENESS**

- Goals – To help water/wastewater utilities provide cost effective and affordable service to their customers
- Responsibility - Funding agencies have a mandate to fund affordable and cost effective projects
- Key Questions - "What does it mean for a project to be cost effective?"
- "Who gets to decide if your project is affordable?"
- Outcomes - Describe the tools used to calculate cost effectiveness and affordability
- Teach you the steps to build cost effectiveness into your project from the start

Presented by David Dunn, Department of Ecology

11:00 a.m. **LUNCH**
Opportunity to speak to individual program staff

11:45 a.m. **ASSET MANAGEMENT**
Objectives for this Session:

- Define Asset management
- Understand and Explain the benefits of an asset management program
- Identify steps your system can take to begin an asset management program

Presented by Karen Klocke, Department of Health, and Heather Cannon, Rural Community Assistance Corp (RCAC)

1:45 p.m. **BREAK**
Opportunity to speak to individual program staff

2:00 p.m. **RATE SETTING**

- Review the key steps of a utility rate study from understanding your community's sensitivities and priorities to aligning your rate structure with your goals and objectives
- Provide a framework to help you build a multi-year financial plan that will assess what your rates can support today and where they may need to go in the future to keep your systems in good repair and continue to provide safe and reliable utility service

Presented by Angie Sanchez Virnoche, FCS Group

3:30 p.m. **WRAP UP**

Professional Credits offered at the Yakima Training Event

CML: 5 Certificate of Municipal Leadership (CML) credits in the Public Sector Resources category will be awarded if you attend all training sessions.

CEU: Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credits will be awarded as follows:

- Project Planning and Cost Effectiveness = **0.1 CEUs**
- Asset Management = **0.2 CEUs**
- Rate Setting = **0.2 CEUs**
- **TOTAL OF .5 CEUs AVAILABLE**

They will be awarded for both water and wastewater operators. Operators must attend at least two of the technical sessions to obtain a minimum of **0.3 CEUs** to obtain credit.