



Everyone, Everywhere, Safety

Presented by the VA AWWA | VWEA Safety Committee

June 29, 2023

8:00 am - 3:30 pm

Lee Hall Maintenance and Operations Center
425 Industrial Park Drive
Newport News, VA 23608

The Safety Committee is a joint committee between Virginia Section AWWA and VWEA. The committee's goal is to bring together Virginia's water and wastewater professionals to develop and inform on safety issues that effect people who work in the water sector and the communities they serve. To learn more, contact:

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What were the highlights?

What would YOU do differently?



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Newport News Waterworks
425 Industrial Drive Newport News, VA

5.25 Water/Wastewater Operator CPEs and Professional Engineering CECs Approved

Program Schedule (subject to change)

Thursday, June 29, 2023

8:00 am	Seminar Check In & Light Breakfast
8:20 am	Opening Remarks <i>Gary Booth, Safety Committee Chair</i>
8:30- 9:30 am	Driver Safety- Lessons Learned Reflect on safe driving practices with examples from one person's personal story of tragedy. <i>Tammy Gweedo McGee, President, The Gweedo Memorial Foundation</i> The 4D's of Safe Driving: Explore the dangers of four particular risks for commercial drivers: Distracted, Drunk, Drugged & Drowsy. <i>Vickye Parker, Traffic Safety Specialist, AAA Tidewater Virginia</i>
9:30 am	Networking Break
9:45- 10:45 am	Power Equipment Safety Learn how to safely use and maintain STIHL equipment to avoid property damage, severe injury or even death. <i>Kenneth Glass, TSS, Mid-Atlantic STIHL</i>
10:45 am	Networking Break
11-12:00 pm	Virginia 811 Update: Learn why "call before you dig" saves you from costly repairs, dangerous injuries, and legal liabilities. <i>Brian Morehouse, Manager of Stakeholder Engagement, Virginia 811</i>
12 - 1:00 pm	Lunch (provided)
1-2:00 pm	Safety Leadership: Even with little authority and few direct reports, you can develop safety programs by using coaching, mentoring, education, and relationship strategies. <i>Jonathan Wright, Safety Program Specialist, City of Virginia Beach</i>
2:00 pm	Networking Break
2:15 - 3:30 pm	Stop the Bleed: This hands-on session will allow you to practice the skills needed to stop the loss of life through bleeding. <i>Brandon Shepherd, MPA, MSEM, TRT Coordinator, Company 10/A</i>
3:30 pm	Closing Remarks - Door Prize Drawings!