



LaWARN Training & Tabletop Exercise

Are you prepared for a disaster?

April 24 & 25, 2012

**Best Western Hotel & Conference Center
2720 MacArthur Dr, Alexandria, LA**

(Credit hours have been approved for: [Water Production, Treatment and Distribution and Wastewater Treatment and Collection](#))

Tuesday, April 24, 2012 -- 8 hours

7:00am - 8:00am - Registration

8:00am - 8:15am -- Introductions and Training Session Goals: *Patrick Credeur, LRWA Executive Director & LaWARN Chair; and Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

8:15am - 9:15am - Preparing Your System for a Disaster: *Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

9:15am - 10:00am - GOHSEP and EMAC's Role in a Disaster: *Victoria Carpenter, GOSEP, EMAC Coordinator/Team Lead*

10:00am - 10:45am - Developing Response Capabilities--Mission Ready Packages: *Victoria Carpenter, GOSEP, EMAC Coordinator/Team Lead*

10:45am - 12:00n - Hands On Demonstrations of Water/Wastewater Emergency Response Equipment
(Attendees will divide into groups and go to multiple stations regarding the procedures for operation, sizing, and maintenance, of generators, pumps, and other emergency equipment): *LRWA and ARWA Staff Members*

12:00n - 1:00pm - Lunch: Provided by LRWA

1:00pm - 2:00pm - Dept. of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health's Role During a Disaster: *Caryn Benjamin, P.E, Interim Deputy Chief Engineer, DHH-OPH-CEHS, Engineering Services*

2:00pm - 3:00pm - Dealing with the Remains of Floods, Tornadoes, & Ice Storms: *Jeff Ford, ARWA Deputy Director*

3:00pm - 3:30pm - Tabletop Exercise Goals and Objectives: *Patrick Credeur, LRWA Executive Director & LaWARN Chair; and Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

3:30pm - 5:00pm - Tabletop Exercise: *Patrick Credeur, LRWA Executive Director & LaWARN Chair and Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

Wednesday, April 25, 2012 -- 4 hours

7:00am - 8:00am - Registration

8:00am - 8:15am -- Introductions and Training Session Goals: *Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

8:15am - 11:30pm - Tabletop Exercise: *Patrick Credeur, LRWA Executive Director & LaWARN Chair and Rusty Reeves, LRWA Deputy Director*

11:30am - 12:00n - Questions/Closing Comments

As the Louisiana Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (LaWARN) continues to grow and mature, member utilities have expressed the need to conduct exercises to evaluate the LaWARN agreement and operational procedures. Responding to this need, LRWA and LaWARN will be hosting a tabletop exercise.

Please join us for this two-day event to learn more about mutual aid/assistance in the water and wastewater sector and how LaWARN allows member utilities to provide one another with critical personnel and resources during emergencies. The training will focus on informational presentations, a hands-on demonstration, and tabletop exercises.

Tabletop Exercise materials recently developed by US EPA will serve as the basis for development of this exercise. Addressing both intrastate (within a state) and interstate (between states) response, the materials serve as a forum to develop, refine, validate, and enhance LaWARN's ability to respond to an actual event.

The exercise will be evaluated and an after-action report will be produced so that lessons learned can be shared with other WARN's.

If your system has not joined LaWARN please see our website (www.lrwa.org). Here you can print a membership application, complete the form, and fax or mail to LRWA. The best thing is this membership does not cost anything (\$0.00). After completing the membership application please print the mutual aid and assistance agreement, complete and mail to: LRWA, P O Box 180, Kinder, LA 70648.