

# SAN FRANCISCO BAY SECTION

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## California Water Environment Association

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April 2011

### GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Play Ball!

It is the beginning of April, which means its time again for the smell of fresh cut grass, hot dogs and peanuts. That's right its baseball season. This month I thought I would digress a bit and cover a non-water related topic, baseball. Baseball is a multidimensional American institution that spans across several areas of our society. Obviously there is the sporting aspect to baseball, which appeals to many people, but if you look deeper there are many more facets that often go unnoticed. First off, baseball is an active tie to U.S. history and culture. Each team has its own unique past including players, championships, defeats and even the stadium, which in itself can be a historical landmark or living museum. Baseball is also a game of strategy. A friend of mine once gave me shirt that reads "Baseball is not boring... You are." When I hear someone say baseball is boring, I know right away that they are only considering the athletic portion of the game and haven't thought about the deeper strategy involved. Because of this strategic aspect, more than any other sport, baseball lends itself towards statistical analysis. This characteristic has sprouted an entire industry devoted to analyzing the game and its players. Although baseball is a team sport, almost every play is made up of a series of individual events that can be broken down sequentially. The catchers calls a for a specific pitch, the pitcher delivers the pitch, the hitter decides

whether or not to swing, the ball is or is not put in play, the ball is or is not fielded cleanly, etc. Each step in the sequence can be broken down and analyzed based on past performance and other information. This analysis allows, the general managers to decide which players to sign, the managers to decide what line up to pencil in and allow managers to decide when to pinch hit or make a pitching change. The depth and complexity go on and on. Just like anything in life, baseball can be as simple as "see ball hit ball" or as complex as you want it be (e.g. Pitch F/X). Something to think about the next time you're at the Old Ball Game.

Don't forget the CWEA Annual Conference is just a few weeks away and will be held April 12 -15 in Ontario. Also, I would like to invite everyone to attend our next dinner meeting on April 7th in San Leandro. Lenny Rather and Jason Warner will be presenting on Oro Loma's 2010 Collection System of the Year. I hope to see you there.

### Mark Takemoto, 2011 SFBS President

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**April 7**, SFBS Dinner Meeting, El Torito, San Leandro

**April 12-15**, CWEA Annual Conference, Ontario, Ca

**April 30**, NRTC Abstracts Due

**September 21-23**, NRTC Annual Conference, Redding, Ca

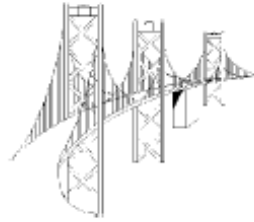
## Committee Spotlight

### Communications Committee

Most of you may be familiar with the CWEA SF Bay Section website (<http://cwea.org/sfb/>). Did you know that not only does the SFBS website have the latest announcements and events, but it is also a great tool for finding out more information about the SFBS inner workings? Each committee has its own page with detail on the committee's purpose and contact information for each committee chair. There are also dedicated pages for the Inkspot Newsletter, Job Postings, SFBS History and Links. In order to keep the content current we try to update the website at least once every two weeks. The Communications Committee is also responsible for sending out email announcements about upcoming events and activities to SFBS members. If you are not already on our email list you can subscribe [here](#). If you have any job postings or announcements that you would like added to the website you may send them to [cwea-sfbay@rmcwater.com](mailto:cwea-sfbay@rmcwater.com).

Mark Takemoto

Communications Committee Chair



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## CWEA San Francisco Bay Section

### April 2011 Dinner Meeting

**Featuring:** Lenny Rather & Jason Warner  
Oro Loma Sanitary District

## **GETTING TO ZERO**

In 2010, the Oro Loma Sanitary District operated 280 miles of collection system without a single sewer overflow. Lenny Rather and Jason Warner will describe the big and little practices contributing to Oro Loma's Collection System of the Year award and overall success.

**Where:** El Torito in San Leandro  
5 Monarch Bay Drive  
San Leandro, CA 94577  
(510) 351-8825

**Dinner:** \$30.00 CWEA Members  
\$45.00 Non-CWEA  
Members  
\$15.00 Students

**Directions:** Take Marina Blvd Exit off  
of I-880 and go west (towards the  
Bay) until the end.

**When:** April 7, 2011  
5:00 – Board Meeting  
6:00 – Social Hour  
7:00 – Dinner  
8:00 – Presentation

**Buffet Includes :**

- Caesar Salad
- Steak or Chicken  
Fajitas
- Cheese Enchiladas
- Rice & Beans
- Sweet Corn Cake

**Contact:** Meg Herston at [cweasfbs@aol.com](mailto:cweasfbs@aol.com) for dinner reservations. Please include your name, menu choice, and agency or company affiliation. If you require vegetarian meals or special accommodations, please provide a written description of your needs.

**Reservation deadline for Dinner Meeting is Monday, April 4th at noon.**

**REMEMBER – a reservation is a commitment to pay.**

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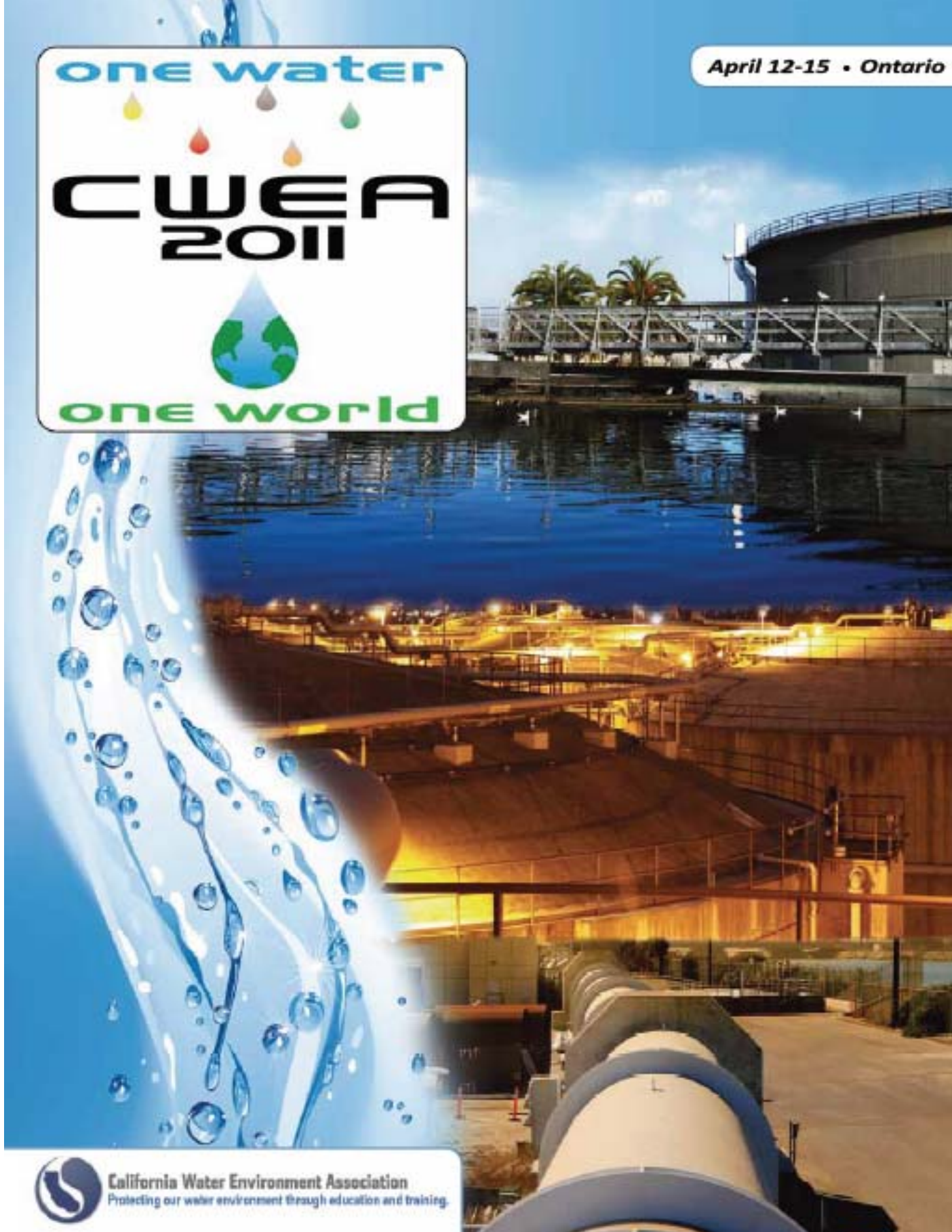


**CWEA  
2011**



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*April 12-15 • Ontario*





**CWEA Northern Regional  
Training Conference**  
September 21 – 23, 2011  
Redding, California



**“Reclaiming Our Water Resources”**

## Call for Abstracts

**ABSTRACTS ARE REQUESTED**  
**2011 NORTHERN REGIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE**

--Go to CWEA Website for Submittal Form--

<http://www.cwea.org/conferences>

Final Date to Submit Abstracts is **April 30, 2011**

### SESSION TOPICS:

- Biosolids
- Collections Systems
- Plant Operations
- Engineering & Research
- Government Affairs
- Laboratory/ Quality Assurance
- Maintenance Training
- P3S (I&HW and Storm water)
- Public Education
- Safety
- Supergroup

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**CWEA 2011 Northern Regional Training Conference**  
**“Reclaiming Our Water Resources”**

**Abstract Submittal Form**



Submit abstract to Greg Orsini, McKinleyville CSD  
 email: [operations@mckinleyvillecsd.com](mailto:operations@mckinleyvillecsd.com)  
 Deadline to submit an abstract is April 30, 2011

Author(s) Names & Agency/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter(s) Names & Agency/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Topic Area: Check one (please indicate sub-topic)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Operations/Process Control<br><small>(operator certification, SCADA, recycled water, promotional opportunities/preparation)</small> | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering & Research<br><small>(membranes, disinfection, modeling, design and construction, permitting, watershed planning, water reuse, energy efficiency, electrical and instrumentation)</small> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> P3S (formerly I&HW and Stormwater)  | <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory/Quality Assurance  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supergroup<br><small>(management, supervision, succession planning, employee relations)</small>   | <input type="checkbox"/> Collections System  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Biosolids & Solids Processing   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Affairs  | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety  |

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstract: (150 words maximum)



## SFBS CALENDAR

APRIL 2011	
<b>7</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, El Torito, San Leandro</b>
<b>12-15</b>	<b>CWEA Annual Conference, Ontario, Ca</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>NRTC Abstracts Due</b>
MAY 2011	
<b>TBA</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, Location TBA</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Methods Update Rule and 12 Essential QC Elements for the Top Ten Procedures in Wastewater Labs, San Ramon</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Plant Maintenance: Safety, Reliability and Compliance, Location TBA</b>
June 2011	
<b>TBA</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, Location TBA</b>

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