

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY SECTION**  
California Water Environment Association

*Inkspot*



October 2009

**GREETINGS FROM THE  
PRESIDENT...**

Every year I mourn the end of summer, and then I remember that I like this time of year, too! The air is cool and crisp. The holidays are right around the corner. Who doesn't love carving pumpkins, eating turkey and opening presents? Also, every year at this time, the SFBS starts the process of recognizing outstanding people and projects. We need your help. Does your agency or firm have outstanding employees who work in the laboratory, operations, or public information? Do you have a great supervisor on your staff? Nominate him/her for one of the CWEA individual awards. Are you proud of your collections system or plant? Nominate your agency for an award. Sure, it may take some time and effort to fill out the nomination form, but think of how awesome you will feel when your nomination is announced the winner at the SFBS Annual Awards Dinner. You'll feel even better if you win at the State level. The only way to know how good it feels to win is to submit a nomination. With over 20 categories, there is something for everyone! Forms are available at [www.cwea.org/awards](http://www.cwea.org/awards). Don't wait too long to submit your nomination. The deadline is October 30, 2009.

The SFBS is also soliciting nominations for open Board positions. Serving on the Board is a great opportunity to improve your leadership skills, network with industry professionals throughout the Bay Area and the state, and work with people who really care about our industry.

If you are interested in running for Second Year Director or Treasurer, please feel free to contact me or any of the Board members for more information..

The next dinner meeting will be held on October 1, 2009, at Back Forty Texas BBQ in Pleasant Hill. The meeting is being sponsored by the Professional Development Committee and Bill Knopf will be presenting on "Surviving the Slowdown." I hope to see you there.

Florence Wedington, 2009 SFBS President

**Important Stuff:**

**October 1, Dinner Meeting, Back Forty  
Texas BBQ, Pleasant Hill**

## **Ramblings from the Editor...**

At the requirement of the SF Bay Section Board of Directors, the Inkspot will not longer have this "Ramblings from the Editor" section. I have very much enjoyed writing this little article and will miss it.

Hope you all have a great day!

*Steve*

## Need to Earn a Certificate but Missed the Deadline for the January through September testing?

Don't worry. CWEA is now continuously accepting applications for the remaining test windows.

	Test Windows	Application Deadline	Test Dates
	Spring	<del>February 27</del>	<del>April 1 through June 30</del>
	Summer	<del>May 29</del>	<del>July 1 through September 30</del>
	Fall	<del>August 31</del>	<del>October 1 through December 31</del>
	Winter	November 31	January 1 through March 31

The application deadline has passed.

Start advancing in your career. Submit your application today for the remaining dates!

Applications are available at [www.cwea.org/cert](http://www.cwea.org/cert). If you need a copy mailed to you, please contact the CWEA office at (510) 382-7800 x119. Mail your application to 7677 Oakport Street., Suite 600, Oakland, CA 94621 or by fax at 510-382-7810.



**Nomination Deadline:  
October 30, 2009**

Nomination forms and additional information available at [www.cwea.org/awards](http://www.cwea.org/awards) (You MUST use the forms from the CWEA web site)

Return completed nomination forms to:  
Kevin O'Toole  
Whitley Burchett & Associates  
1777 Oakland Blvd. Suite 200  
Walnut Creek, CA 94596-7022

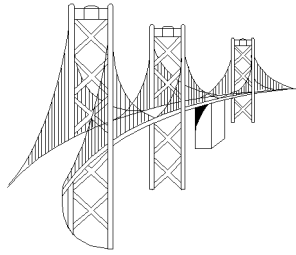
Winners will be presented at the  
Bay Section Awards Banquet  
January 8, 2010

There are over 20 categories for CWEA awards, which honor CWEA members and wastewater professionals in California. The program serves to recognize outstanding professional achievements within the wastewater field, improve the professional status of all personnel working in the wastewater industry and related fields, and stimulate public awareness of the importance of wastewater treatment to public health and the water environment.

Awards are given at the local section level and winners advance to state competition to be held at the Annual Conference in Sacramento, California from April 20-23, 2010

*If you have any questions, contact Kevin O'Toole at 925-945-6850 or [kotoole@whitleyburchett.com](mailto:kotoole@whitleyburchett.com)*

- C** **Collection Systems:**  
Person of the Year  
System of the Year (small • medium • large)
- A** **Electrical/Instrumentation:**  
Person of the Year
- T** **Engineering & Research:**  
Engineering Achievement of the Year  
Research Achievement of the Year
- E** **Laboratory:**  
Person of the Year
- G** **Mechanical Technology:**  
Mechanical Technician of the Year
- O** **Operations:**  
Operator of the Year
- R** **Plant – Overall:**  
Plant of the Year (small • medium • large)
- I** **Plant – Safety:**  
Plant of the Year (small • medium • large)
- E** **Pretreatment Pollution Prevention & Stormwater:**  
Person of the Year
- S** **Public Education:**  
Person of the Year  
Program of the Year (small • large)
- S** **Supervisors:**  
Supervisor of the Year
- S** **Young Professionals:**  
Person of the Year



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## CWEA San Francisco Bay Section

### October 2009 Dinner Meeting

**Featuring:** Bill Knopf (former partner at Carollo)

***“Surviving the Slowdown”***

Topics to be presented include:

- Economic cycles
- Historical perspective
- How long will this one last?
- Impact on your organization
- Impact on you
- Private sector
- What to do if I ...
- Resume Points
- Resume No-No's
- Interview

**Where:** **Back Forty Texas BBQ**  
100 Coggins Drive  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523  
Tel: (925) 935-1440

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

**When:** **October 1, 2009**  
5:00 – Board Meeting  
6:00 – Social Hour  
7:00 – Dinner  
8:00 – Presentation

**Menu:** **Buffet Style** including Beef  
Brisket and Rotisserie BBQ  
Chicken  
(Vegetarian Option Available  
Upon Request)

**Contact:** Mark Takemoto of RMC Water and Environment at [cweasfbs@aol.com](mailto:cweasfbs@aol.com) for dinner reservations. Please include your name, menu selection (vegetarian option only) and agency or company affiliation. If you require special accommodations, please provide a written description of your needs.

**Reservation deadline for Dinner Meeting is Friday, September 25, 2009.**

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

**Directions:** Please see direction on the next page.

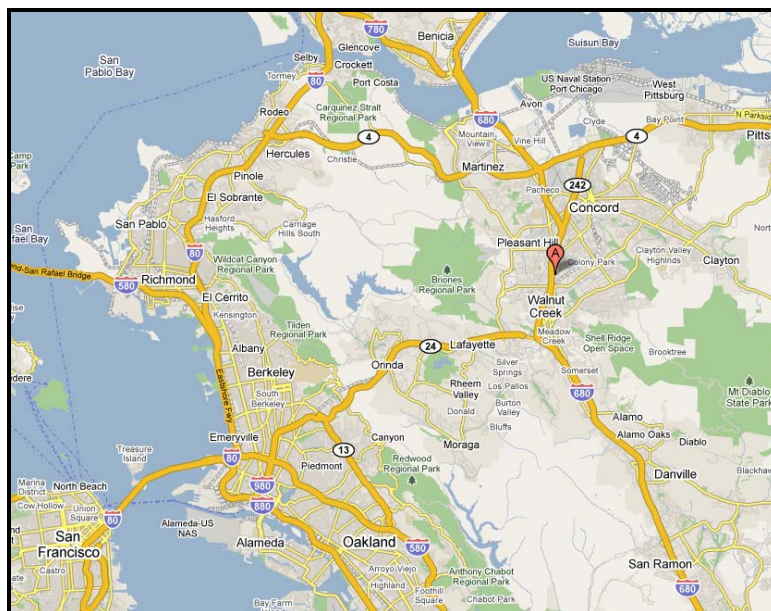
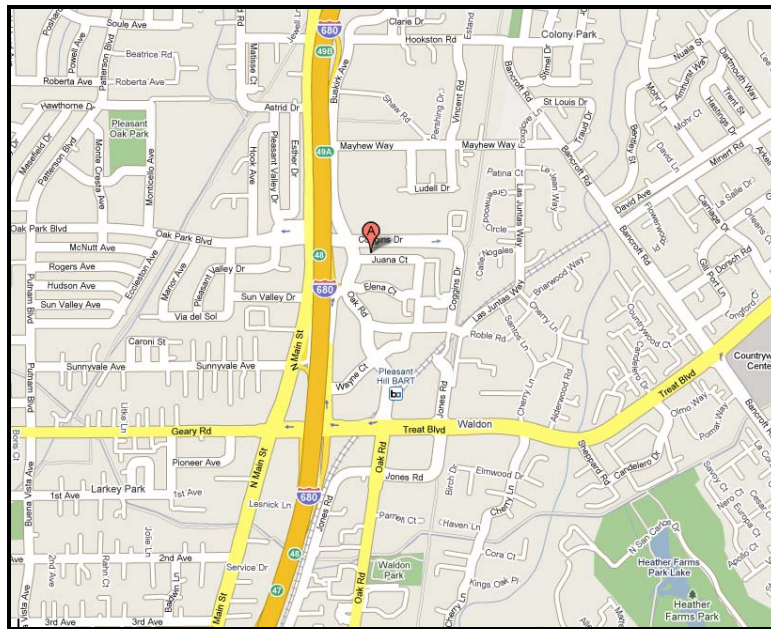
**Back Forty Texas BBQ - 100 Coggins Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523**

**Parking is free. Due to limited parking available carpooling is recommended.**

**From Sacramento:** Take I-80 West to I-680 South toward Benicia/San Jose. Exit at Treat Boulevard/Geary Road. Turn Right on N. Main Street. Turn Left on Pleasant Valley Drive. Turn Left on Oak Park Blvd. Continue on Coggins Drive.

**From Vallejo:** Take I-780 East to I-680 South toward Benicia/San Jose. Exit at Treat Boulevard/Geary Road. Turn Right on N. Main Street. Turn Left on Pleasant Valley Drive. Turn Left on Oak Park Blvd. Continue on Coggins Drive.

**From Oakland:** Take I-980 East toward Walnut Creek/San Francisco/Hayward. Continue on CA-24 East. Take the Concord/Sacramento left exit onto I-680 North. Exit at Treat Blvd./Geary Road. Continue on Buskirk. Turn right on Coggins Drive.







**CALIFORNIA WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION**  
SANTA CLARA VALLEY SECTION COLLECTION COMMITTEE

**SEMINAR # 8**

**SSO Prevention Strategies Workshop  
(Roots, Grease and New Technologies)**

Eighth in a series of **COLLECTION SYSTEMS** seminars sponsored by the California Water Environment Association's Santa Clara Valley Section Collection System Committee, professionals in wastewater collection systems. 5.5 (five and one-half) contact hours will be awarded.

**When: October 7, 2009**

**Where: City of San Jose**

Water Pollution Control Plant  
700 Los Esteros Road  
San Jose, CA 95134

**Speakers: Tom Edwards,  
John Harrell, David Drake,  
David Ross, Karen Harris**

**PROGRAM**

<b>Time:</b>	<b>7:30 am - 8:00 am</b>	Registration/Continental Breakfast
	<b>8:00 am - 11:30 am</b>	Class Room Instruction
	<b>11:30 am - 12:15 pm</b>	Lunch (Provided)
	<b>12:15 pm - 2:30 pm</b>	Class Room Instruction

**SEMINAR OBJECTIVES**

To provide Training in Prevention Strategies for SSO Risks due to Root Intrusion; Fats, Oil and Grease; Aging infrastructure; Hidden Conditions; Security and Vandalism Issues

**TOPICS DISCUSSED**

Tom Edwards, Duke's Root Control - Treatment and Materials; John Harrell, Helix Laboratories – Grease Reduction Treatment and Materials; David Drake, Hadronex – System Surge Alerts and Spill Avoidance  
David Ross, SewerLock – Preventing Unauthorized Access; Karen Harris, MRWPCA - Public Outreach;  
Panel Discussion – Surviving an EPA Inspection/Audit

The cost of the workshop is \$45 per person, \$50 for non-members (cash or check) and includes a continental breakfast and catered lunch – **No Refunds.**

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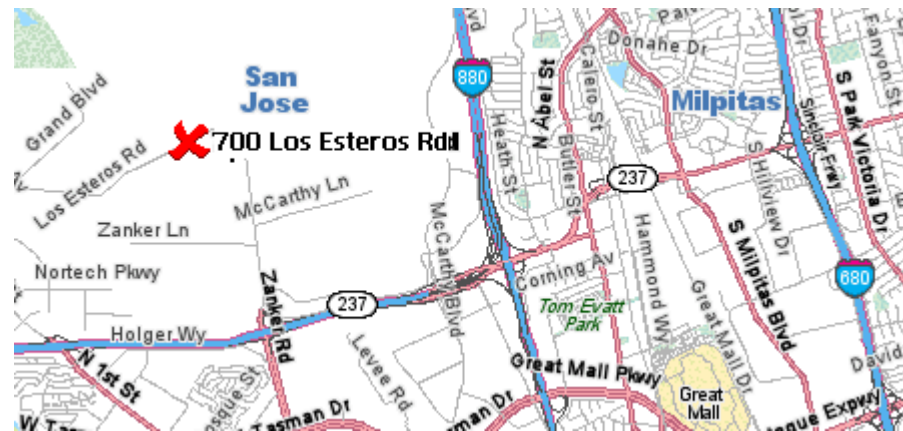
### SSO Prevention Strategies Workshop (Roots, Grease and New Technologies)

#### For reservations, contact:

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Email: [sfnash@comcast.net](mailto:sfnash@comcast.net)  
Pre-Register by:  
September 30, 2009

Make checks payable to:  
**CWEA-SCVS**  
Mail by October 2, 2009 to:  
**Sid Nash**  
1567 Kooser Road  
San Jose, CA 95118

Or: Pay at door the day of  
event



**LOCATION MAP**

#### NOTE:

We're taking suggestions  
for the 2010 Training  
Schedule. Please Email  
your suggestions to:  
Sid Nash at  
[sfnash@comcast.net](mailto:sfnash@comcast.net)

#### Directions:

From I-880 North or South: Exit at Hwy. 237 West. – Proceed West toward Mountain View Take Zanker Road exit. – Proceed North to 700 Los Esteros Road. Turn Left into parking lot at Water Pollution Control Plant Administration parking lot.

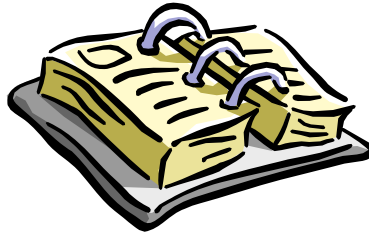
From US-101 North or South: take Hwy. 237 East exit - Proceed East toward Milpitas. Take Zanker Road exit. - Proceed North to 700 Los Esteros Road. Turn Left into parking lot at Water Pollution Control Plant Administration parking lot.

**Santa Clara Valley Section's Collection System Committee**  
c/o S. F. (Sid) Nash Committee Chair  
1567 Kooser Road  
San Jose, CA 95118





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## SFBS CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2009	
<b>1</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, Back Forty Texas BBQ, Pleasant Hill</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>SCVS Collection Systems Committee SSO Prevention Strategies Workshop</b>
NOVEMBER 2009	
<b>5</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, Location TBA</b>
DECEMBER 2009	
<b>TBA</b>	<b>SFBS Dinner Meeting, TBA</b>

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