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Wyoming Solid Waste & Recycling Association

The WSWRA 2024 Annual Conference in Casper Wyoming!

Welcome to Casper Wyoming! Time to kick back with your colleagues and enjoy a few days of learning, team building, and networking. You have earned it!

The Solid Waste and Recycling industry is a busy and ever-evolving industry. Each year, we are faced with new challenges, new innovations, and new people working in our groups. The constant change in our industry leads to new challenges and opportunities. It is very important to meet each year to keep in touch with everything that has changed in our industry. The WSWRA Team is committed to providing a solid and informative conference each and every year. Enjoy what Casper has to offer and get ready for a great conference!



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Regrets are for those who forgot what their options were.

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John Sacco WSWRA 2024 Keynote Speaker

JOHN SACCO



Explore Casper Wyoming:

Casper is a major city in Wyoming and the County Seat of Natrona County. Casper is the second most populated city in the state, after the capital of Cheyenne. Casper is nicknamed "The Oil City" and has a long history of oil infrastructure and Western cowboy culture.

Casper is located in East Central Wyoming, on the North Platte River, and is a popular fishing destination for sportsmen around the West.

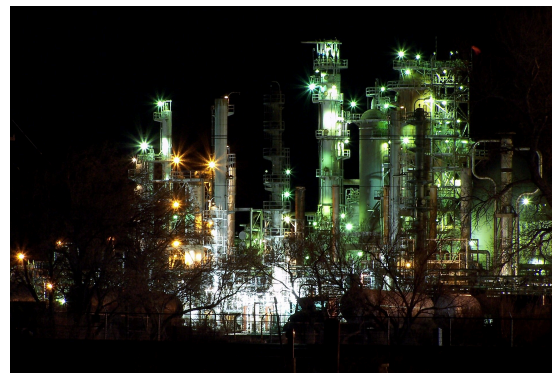
The city was established East of the former site of Fort Casper and was a popular destination for settlers during the mid-19th century during periods of mass migration along the Oregon, California, and Mormon Trails.

Casper is home to several museums and historical sites: Fort Caspar Museum and Historic Site, National Historic Trails Interpretive Center, and many more.

The iconic Wyoming National Bank in downtown Casper is a mid-century tower designed by Charles Deaton, that is featured in Casper's Logo.

Hogadon Basin Ski Area is located atop Casper Mountain and is located 11 miles South of town. The ski area features 28 trails ranging from beginner to expert.

Talking Trash is why we are here! Caspers Solid Waste Division serves about 100,000 residents and receives about 400 tons of municipal solid waste per day. The division operates one of the state's largest landfills and has a comprehensive hazardous waste program.





Welcome to Casper! Seven Casper Facts:

01

The City of Casper was named after Lt. Caspar Collins in 1888.

02

The US Army misspelled Lt Caspar's first name to Casper when renaming Platte Bridge Station not long after his death.

03

Casper's nickname is "The Oil City" due to its long history of being an oil industry hub.

04

The North Platte River is an iconic fly fishing destination around the West.

05

Elevation 5118' above sea level.

06

Located in Natrona County, Wyoming, with a population of 58,543 people.

07

Casper is proud to host the WSWRA 2024 Annual Conference! Welcome to Casper, Wyoming!





Jerry Hamel

President
WSWRA
2022-2024



Welcome to Casper Wyoming!

After a 5 year hiatus, WSWRA is back in Casper! We are excited to be back in 2024! The City of Casper is welcoming us and we are very grateful! We have a wonderful slate of speakers with our keynote speaker being John Sacco from Sierra International Machinery.

Each year brings new challenges. As we gather for the conference take the time and opportunity to network with our colleagues from around the state and industry. Our industry can present us with many curveballs that we may have never seen before. Chances are that one of our colleagues has seen a similar situation. By expanding our network we can assist each other during these challenges and generate a greater experience for all of our customers, employees, and most importantly, leave our garbage at work and not take it home with us!

Each year we have several board positions to be filled. I can speak from personal experience that the small investment of time on the Board has paid great dividends with networking and a greater understanding of the challenges that our Members face. We are looking for hardworking professionals who have the support of their employer to make a three-year commitment to WSWRA. The positions up for election this year, and the respective incumbents, include:

- Diversion / Recycling (Sally Penton)
- City/County (Mike Ragsdale)
- Diversion / Recycling
- Professional Engineer

If you may be interested in joining the Board, please reach out to a Board member and express your interest in running.

Casper has graciously welcomed the WSWRA Membership back for the 2024 conference. Be sure to visit the local businesses and attractions to enhance your conference experience.

Thank you! - Jerry Hamel

Meet your 2024 WSWRA Board Members & Staff:



Jerry Hamel:
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Sally Penton:
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Interested in becoming a WSWRA Board Member?

Commitment is a three-year term, and you can help with the growth of Wyoming's Solid Waste & Recycling future! The board meets remotely as needed (about once per month), and in person once prior to the conference for conference planning. The board's main roles are planning the Annual Conference and promoting waste diversion. Participation is required for the entire week of the conference.

Contact a board member to place your name on the ballot for election during the Annual Membership Meeting on Wednesday afternoon.

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Monday - Schedule of Events

August 19th

Monday, August 19th, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center, City of Casper Landfill

<p>10:00 am - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Vendor Booth Set Up</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>
<p>12:00 pm - 3:00 pm</p> 	<p>Equipment Road-E-O!</p> <p>Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: CMI Teco</p> <p>Drive on your own to: City of Casper Park 1081 N Poplar Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Equipment Rodeo Wheeled Front Loader• Equipment Rodeo Collection Truck (Side Load)• Inspection: Side Loader, Wheeled Front Loader, and Rolloff <p>All Equipment Operators are encouraged to participate! You do not need a ticket to the conference to participate in this event. Participants must be 21+, and currently employed by a municipality.</p>
<p>3:00 pm - 5:00 pm</p> 	<p>MSW Landfill & Transfer Station Operator / Manager Test Review and Testing</p> <p>Timothy Reed & Ashley Sandness, WDEQ District 1 Permitting</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>We are limited on computers this year. If you have a spare laptop available please bring it to the class. Exams will be performed online and require a unique email address per person attending.</p>

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Monday, August 19th, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

Exhibit Hall Open 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	
5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Event Registration and Welcome Reception Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace Event Registration & Social Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: Burns & McDonnell Beverages Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: Cowboy Brewing Horderves and Refreshments Provided. Stick around all evening to catch up with industry peers and exhibitors. Pick up your conference nametag and complete registration at the WSWRA Booth.



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Tuesday - Schedule of Events

August 20th

Tuesday, August 20th, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

6:30 am - 7:30 am	Vendor Booth Set-Ups
Exhibit Hall Open 7:00 am - 5:00 pm	
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Event Registration Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace
7:00 am - 8:00 am 	Breakfast - Buffet Style Breakfast - Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: Core & Main Ramkota Convention Center: Central Grand Ballroom
8:00 am - 8:30 am 	Networking Break / Exhibitor Break - Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: HDR Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace
8:30 am - 8:50 am	WSWRA Conference Kick-Off: Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom WSWRA President Jerry Hamel and WSWRA Board Members Welcome you to Casper Wyoming Agenda overview and housekeeping notes. Conference Welcome: City of Casper Request for new Board Members. If you are interested in becoming a WSWRA board member we have open positions to fill. Please see any WSWRA Board Members to sign up! Voting will be on Wednesday during the WSWRA business meeting.

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Tuesday, August 20th, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

8:50 am -10:00
am



Being the Image of Safety
Keynote Speaker: John Sacco - Sierra International

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Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom

Join John Sacco as he discusses the importance of safety culture as it significantly reduces workplace accidents and enhances overall productivity. The culture begins at the top, where leadership sets the tone by prioritizing safety in all operations and fostering an environment where employees feel responsible for maintaining a safe workplace. When leaders demonstrate a commitment to safety, it encourages everyone within the organization to follow suit, creating a pervasive culture of safety consciousness.

John Sacco is President and Owner of Sierra International Machinery, an industry leader in the sale and support of processing equipment for the metals, waste, and recycling industry, John Sacco has been an integral part of the recycling industry since the late 1980s. In addition to his leadership at Sierra, Sacco has an active role with the Recycled Materials Association (ReMA) serving a two-year term as the association's national chairman in 2010-2012.

Keynote Speaker:
John Sacco





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<p>10:15 am -10:30 am</p>  <p>Altitude RECYCLING EQUIPMENT</p>	<p>Networking Break / Exhibitor Break - Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: Altitude Recycling Equipment</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>
<p>10:30 am - 11:30 am</p>	<p>Battery Recycling E-Waste Perspective & Hazards of Lithium Ion Batteries</p> <p>Speakers TBD:</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>We will discuss best practices to properly manage E-waste, including Lithium-ion batteries. Regulations concerning electronic waste are more stringent than a talk with your father-in-law. What can E-Waste collectors handle and what can they not handle? How do we properly handle battery waste to prevent fires at our facility?</p> <p>This discussion will highlight the hazards of Lithium Batteries at your facility</p>
<p>11:30 - Noon</p> 	<p>Demonstration of Lithium Battery Runaway</p> <p>Casper Fire Department:</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: North Parking Lot</p> <p>With assistance from the Casper Fire Department, experience firsthand how easily a Lithium Battery can ignite by a simple puncture of the outside casing.</p> <p>We will be doing an onsite demonstration outside of a Lithium Battery Fire, and the dangers they pose.</p>
<p>Noon - 1:00 pm</p> 	<p>Buffet Lunch Break - Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: Peak GeoSolutions, Inc.</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Central Grand Ballroom</p>



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Tuesday, August 20th, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

<p>1:00 pm - 1:20 pm</p> 	<p>Networking Break / Exhibitor Break - Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: Aljon</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>
<p>Golf Networking Events:</p> <p>The following events require additional tickets, please purchase a ticket to participate in Golf and Mini Golf Events at the WSWRA Booth. You will want to participate and have some great networking with your peers!</p> <p>Please offer to carpool to these events, we have a few guests from out of town!</p>	
<p>1:30 pm - 6:00 pm</p>  	<p>Golf Networking Event</p> <p>Drive on your own to: Casper Municipal Golf Course 2120 Allendale Blvd Casper, WY</p> <p>18 Hole Course</p> <p>Sponsored by Silver Sponsors: Reich Co & SCS Engineers</p> <p>Prizes will be awarded Wednesday Night for winners.</p>
<p>1:30 pm - 4:00 pm</p>  	<p>Mini Golf Networking Event</p> <p>Drive on your own to: Old Town Family Fun 301 W E Street Casper WY</p> <p>Located Behind Best Western Downtown</p> <p>Sponsored by Silver Sponsors: Keith Manufacturing & Stellar Programming</p> <p>Prizes will be awarded Wednesday Night for winners</p>
<p>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Conference Break</p>

Who is Ready for Dinner & Cornhole in a repurposed airplane hanger?

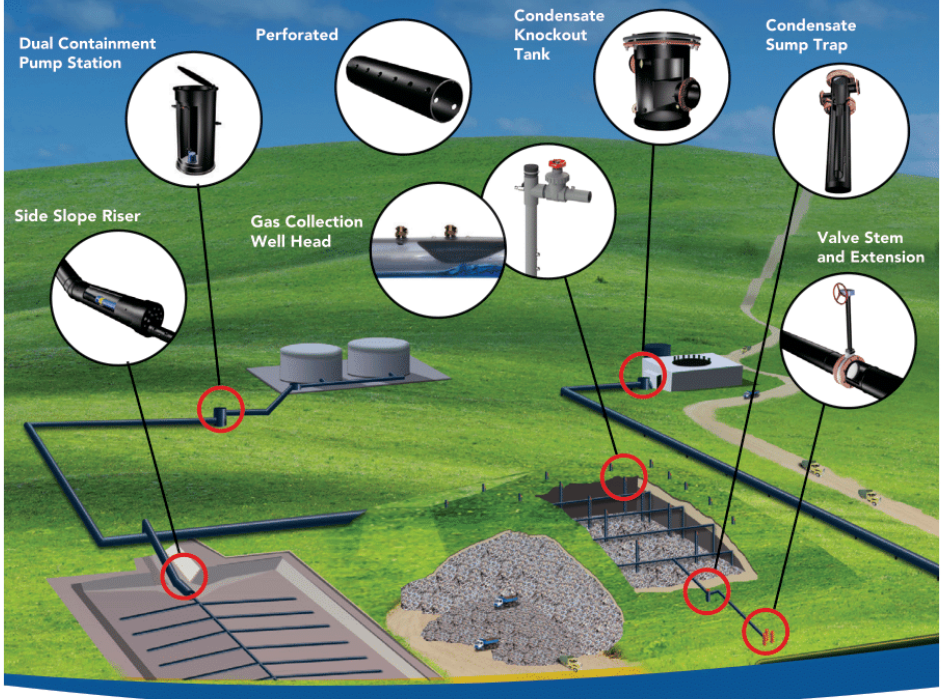
The Evening Dinner and Cornhole event at the Annual Conference is one of the highlights of the conference. This event is held Tuesday Evening at The Hangar in nearby Bar Nunn Wyoming.

Enjoy a great meal provided by The Hangar Bar & Grill. Kurtis Van Houten the owner reclaimed an old airport hangar and established an excellent atmosphere for a great restaurant.

Following the great food, stick around for the annual cornhole tournament. Note due to no horseshoe facilities nearby, we are substituting cornhole for this year's activity. This event is free and there will be sign-ups at the event. Teams will be selected at the event. Winners receive a jacket and the claim to fame of being a WSWRA Cornhole Champion! Beer and Beverages are provided at the event!



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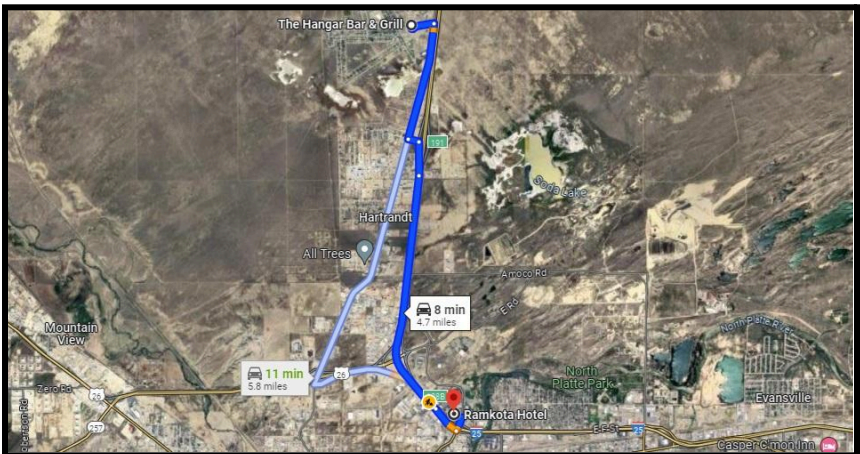
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Tuesday, August 20th, 2024: The Hangar Bar & Grill

<p>4:00 pm - 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Conference Break Enjoy a break before the evening festivities!</p>
<p>6:00 pm - 6:45 pm</p>   	<p>BBQ Dinner & Networking Event Sponsored by Gold Sponsors ISCO Pipe, Inberg-Miller Engineers & Accent Wire</p> <p>Drive On your own to:</p> <p>The Hangar Bar & Grill 1410 Prairie Ln Bar Nunn, WY</p> <p>Catering / Beer / Soft Drinks Provided by: The Hangar Bar & Grill</p>
<p>6:45 pm - 10:00 pm</p> 	<p>Corn Hole Contest at The Hangar Bar & Grill.</p> <p>The Hangar Bar & Grill 1410 Prairie Ln Bar Nunn, WY</p> <p>Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: KOIS Brothers Equipment</p> <p>Winners of the Corn Hole tournament will receive a custom jacket. Note due to no horseshoe facilities, the horseshoe tournament is replaced by Cornhole this year.</p>



Directions to The Hangar Bar & Grill : From the Ramkota, Enter I-25 North. Exit 191 Wardell Road / Howard St, Turn Left, and go under the freeway. First Right, take the Frontage Road North. Turn Left after the KOA Holiday, and the Hangar is to the Right.

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Wednesday - Schedule of Events

August 21st

Wednesday, August 21st, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

Exhibit Hall Open 7:00 am - 5:00 pm	
7:00 am -8:00 am 	Breakfast - Buffet Style Breakfast Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: Power Screening Ramkota Convention Center: Central Grand Ballroom
8:00 am -8:50 am	Words Matter: Metals are a Commodity Keynote Speaker: John Sacco Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom The way we talk about the recycled metals industry is crucial in shaping public perception and industry standards. Using positive and precise language can highlight the environmental and economic benefits, thereby enhancing the industry's reputation and encouraging more sustainable practices.
8:50 am -9:30 am	Hidden Hazards of Household Waste Myra Peak, Peak Environmental Management, Inc. Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom Bring your questions and solutions for managing customers and their special and hazardous wastes. Myra will facilitate this discussion so that you can share your safety concerns about reducing risks to your staff and the environment.

Wednesday, August 21st, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center

<p>9:30 am - 10:10 am</p>	<p>Wyoming AML Vegetation & Evaluation Standards</p> <p>Josh Oakleaf, CERP DEQ AML Project Manager & Vegetation Coordinator</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>The Wyoming AML Vegetation & Evaluation Standards (WAVES) is a standardized, statewide process designed to guide site-specific adaptive decisions to maximize desirable vegetation outcomes. Throughout the lifecycle of Wyoming's Abandoned Mine Land (AML) reclamation projects, hundreds of decisions and actions are made annually by various stakeholders. Each seemingly minor decision can have profound impacts on achieving desired vegetation outcomes.</p> <p>WAVES offers proactive best practices by providing access to a wealth of hyperlinked reference documents and tools that aid in vegetation planning, construction management, vegetation evaluation, and reporting.</p>
<p>10:10 am - 10:30 am</p> 	<p>Networking Break / Exhibitor Break</p> <p>Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: Rehrig Pacific</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>



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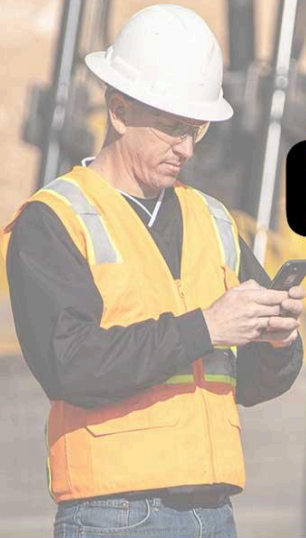


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#1 Landfill / Transfer Station Track

Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom

10:30 am

Transforming Closed Landfills and Impoundments into Renewable Energy Assets

John Herrmann - Watershed Geo

Traditional landfill solar solutions utilize vegetative covers and racking-supported photovoltaic (PV) solar panels to generate electricity. These solutions have faced several challenges associated with the integrity of the landfill's final cover including settlement induced by loading from the solar system and post-construction site maintenance including soil erosion. This presentation will highlight several PowerCap case studies including the TVA Shawnee Project Phoenix, a 100 MW PowerCap™ installation over a 300 acre coal ash site.

11:15 am

Engineering and Operational Guidance

Will Nicholson - HDR

This presentation brings together various domains such as landfill management, refuse collections, recycling, and waste facilities, and how integrating cutting-edge technologies like artificial intelligence (AI) could transform the industry. From crafting permit documents to conducting intricate calculations, optimizing operations, and ensuring stringent regulatory compliance, the expertise of consultant engineers is wide-ranging.

10:30 am - Noon



Recycling / Diversion Track

Technical Presentations (Concurrent Sessions #1 and #2)

#2 Recycling / Diversion Track

Ramkota Convention Center: North Grand Ballroom

10:30 am

The 4 Cycles in Recycling Center Advancements.

Scott Simar - Interwest Paper / The Pro Recycling Group

This presentation will go over how to start a recycling center and the stages to increase from a small center to a large volume in four steps, including equipment and operation recommendations. This will include a case study on the City of Rawlins and its recent additions.

11:15 am

How will EPR impact Wyoming?

Dan Bacehowski - HDR

In response to low recycling rates across the country, coinciding with public concern for climate change, plastic waste, accessibility, and economic impact, extended producer responsibility (EPR) legislation for packaging materials is passing in multiple states nationwide. In essence, these EPR laws require the companies that supply plastic and paper packaging to fund statewide recycling systems for those materials, taking effect at varying timeframes in each state with one beginning as early as 2025. This session will feature lessons learned from the needs assessment projects, including your neighboring Colorado to the south, conducted by HDR. Program planning will impact folks in Wyoming.

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<p>Noon - 1:00 pm</p> 	<p>Buffet Lunch – Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: Soulder, Miller & Associates (SMA)</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Central Grand Ballroom</p>
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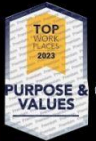


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Landfill / Transfer Station Track

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#1 Landfill / Transfer Station Track

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1:00 pm

Spotter Safety

Chris Sutter - tarpARMOR

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3. Health Hazards
4. Environmental Conditions

1:25 pm

The History of Automation for Trash Collection

Jesse McKinley - Kois Brothers


See how refuse equipment has changed over the years from a manual-driven industry to a high-tech one.



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<p>1:10 pm - 1:50 pm</p>	<p>Technical Presentations (Concurrent Sessions #1 and #2)</p>		
	<p>#2 Recycling / Diversion Track Ramkota Convention Center: North Grand Ballroom</p>		
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	<p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>

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<p>2:00 pm - 2:30 pm</p>	<p>Solving Your Scale House Pain Points with Scalable Cloud-based Software</p> <p>Patricia McKenzie & Laurie Christopherson - Stellar Programming & Consulting, Inc.</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Many scale houses still rely on outdated IT and software systems that hinder efficiency and are costly to maintain. Converting to customizable, cloud-based software can greatly enhance operations. Cloud-based ticketing systems offer numerous benefits, including improved data security, online accessibility, reduced operating costs, centralized data for multiple locations, enhanced cash flow, and scalability to meet evolving business needs. Customization is key for efficient interfacing with accounting systems, credit card processors, specialized hardware, and scales.</p>
<p>2:30 pm - 3:00 pm</p>	<p>New Landfill Permitting, Where Do I Start? A look at Weston County Regional Landfill</p> <p>Travis Evans, P.E. - Trihydro Ryan Swanson, P.E. - Trihydro</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Permitting new landfill facilities does not occur frequently. This session will walk you through the approach used to permit the Weston County Regional Landfill near Newcastle, Wyoming - a new landfill developed on a greenfield site. The presentation will provide an overview of the site selection and permitting process; design; and, provide an overview of project financing and construction.</p>
<p>3:00 pm - 4:00 pm</p> 	<p>WDEQ Annual Updates</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>60 Minutes of Updates provided by the WDEQ Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2023/2024 Greatest Hits● Rulemaking● Guidance● Training Series● 2024/2025 Solid Waste and Recycling Workers Week● Inspection & Compliance Updates● Grants

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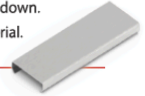
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<p>4:00 pm - 4:15 pm</p> 	<p>Networking Break / Exhibitor Break Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: JB&B Capital</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Main Hall Terrace</p>
<p>4:15 pm - 5:00 pm</p> 	<p>WSWRA Annual Business Meeting Ramkota Convention Center: South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>All attendees are encouraged to attend the annual meeting, including all members and vendors! This is not a closed-door meeting and audience participation is encouraged.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board Member Elections.• Important Member Updates.• Bylaws Change Discussion and Voting.• Discussion and Voting on the 2026 Location for the WSWRA Annual Conference.• Attendees receive a WSWRA Hat.
<p>5:00 pm - 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Conference Break / Vendor Booth Removal</p> <p>Take a breather before the evening events! Vendors to take down booths and displays.</p>



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<p>6:00 pm - 7:00 pm</p> 	<p>Social Happy Hour – Snack & First drink beer/wine provided. Sponsored by Silver Sponsor: Big Truck Rental</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Central & South Grand Ballrooms</p>
<p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm</p>    	<p>WSWRA Banquet Dinner – Sponsor Recognition, Prizes, and Giveaways.</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Central & South Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Sponsored by Platinum Sponsors: North Park Transportation, Wyoming Machinery, RWI Enhanced Evaporation, & Otto.</p> <p>Stay for this networking event and a great meal. Conference Sponsors and Vendors are invited to provide giveaways to the group.</p> <p>Enjoy a great dinner from the Ramkota, alongside a cash bar and great networking!</p>
<p>Approximately 8:30 pm</p>	<p>Conference Summary / Closing Remarks:</p> <p>Discussion of Timeline for Thursday’s Tours in Casper. These tours will be following a strict timeline in order to keep on schedule.</p>

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Thursday - Schedule of Events

August 22nd

Thursday, August 22nd, 2024: Ramkota Convention Center & City of Casper Landfill

<p>7:00 am-8:00 am</p> 	<p>Breakfast - Buffet Style Breakfast Sponsored by Gold Sponsor: RDO Equipment</p> <p>Ramkota Convention Center: Central Grand Ballroom</p> <p>Please remember to check out of your hotel room if you are departing this day prior to the landfill tours.</p>
<p>8:30 am - 10:30 am</p> 	<p>City of Casper Landfill - Facility Tour of Compost Yard, MRF, MSW Baler Building, Scale House, and HHW Operations</p> <p>Drive on your own to:</p> <p>City of Casper Landfill 1886 Station Road Casper, WY 82609</p> <p>Park near the Compost Yard and look for the WSWRA Event Signs</p> <p>The tour will begin at the Compost Yard</p> <p>We will have a short walk to the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) for a tour of the updated MRF Facility</p> <p>We will visit the MSW Baler Building, Scale House, and the Household Hazardous Waste Operations</p>
<p>10:30 am - 11:30 am</p>	<p>City of Casper Landfill- Landfill Tour</p> <p>The Landfill Tour will follow the first tour of the City Facilities and will tour the Landfill areas of the site.</p>
<p>11:30 am</p>	<p>Conclusion of Events</p>

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City of Casper Landfill Members led by Cindie Langston and Sean Orszulak, for event planning and tours around the City Facilities. Your help in planning this event was a tremendous help. **Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center**, for providing event services for the event and welcoming hotel accommodations. **The Hangar Bar & Grill** led by Kurtis Van Houten and the Food and Beverages for the Tuesday night outing. Your services and facility are amazing! **The WDEQ Team** for hosting the Landfill and Transfer Station operator testing, and for **Jody Weikart** for always providing us monthly updates for our Used News Newsletter. I enjoy our talks each month, discovering new content and bringing new ideas and events to the table. The many people that help edit this conference booklet for content and grammar proofreading, your second set of eyes is very much appreciated!

There are numerous **speakers** who take the time to bring premium content to our conference. Without you, we would have nothing to talk trash about! The dozens of **vendors and sponsors** support WSWRA by providing sponsorships that reduce the costs of our membership and bring so much educational content to our show. Many people travel great distances to attend to and bring us the information we need! Sponsors are critical for the event. Without our awesome sponsors, the conference would cost more than double the rates we currently charge. Thank you for your continued support of WSWRA by making the extra contribution that makes a significant difference in reduced rates for the event.

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