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California-Nevada Section Award’s Committee

The California-Nevada Section desires to recognize, to the maximum extent possible, the good work and service by its members to the Water Industry and Section by honoring deserving members through the nomination and presentation of Section and National Awards.

The purpose of this committee is to coordinate the activities of the Awards Subcommittee and coordinate the notification, publication and presentation of the individual award recipients to the Section Membership. The committee facilitates the identification of potential candidates for all current national and section awards and any future awards that may be established. The committee and its subcommittees review the purpose and eligibility requirements of each national and section award and select nominees who best meet the spirit and intent of each award.

Qualifications for service as chairman shall be long-time membership in AWWA and have served on various committees; or a past division officer, section program director, or section trustee; and must be familiar with the bylaws, regulations and functioning of the Section. Members of the committee shall be the respective chair of the George A. Elliott, George Warren Fuller, International Awards, and Walter 0. Weight Membership Award subcommittees, a trustee of the Governing Board and an at-large appointee. The awards subcommittees shall function in accordance to their individual charge, duties, and responsibilities as indicated in Section Regulations and Bylaws. The chair of the Awards Committee reports directly to the Governing Board, except for the terms of the office of the individual awards subcommittee, the committee chair, trustee, and at-large appointee shall serve one three-year term and shall be appointed by the Section Chair. A staff member of the Section shall serve as a facilitator to the committee and shall assist the Committee in providing background information and other clerical work as necessary.

Awards Subcommittees

Energy Awards

George A. Elliott Awards

This committee selects one or two Section members annually to receive this award at the Fall Conference. The award is given for outstanding service to the Section by presentation of the best paper, unusual contribution to committee activity, exceptional effort to improve member and public relations, outstanding innovation in the water works field.

The committee consists of three most recent Section Past Chairs who no longer hold the office. The committee chair is the senior member serving his final year on the committee.

The committee shall review all existing questions and develop new questions for the certification discipline. Additional meetings must receive pre-approval from the Certification Director or their designee (Assistant Certification Director or Section Office).

George Warren Fuller Award

This award is presented, on recommendation by the Section, by AWWA to one or two section members for distinguished service in the water supply field. The recipients are selected in accordance with the “Terms and Conditions” of the AWWA’s George Warren Fuller Award criteria.

The committee consists of the five most recent Fuller Award recipients. In years where two awards are presented, the awardees senior in membership is chosen. The member in his final year on the committee serves as chair. The committee chair serves as a member of the Awards Committee and reports directly to the Awards Chair on all activities and nominees. Nominations shall be submitted in writing no later than May 1st to the Awards Chair.

International Awards

This committee recommends members of the CA-NV Section for the following National awards:

- The Abel Woman Award of Excellence
- The Distinguished Public Service Award
- The Heroism Award
- The AWWA Honorary Member Award
- Service to the Water Industry Award

Water Utility Hall of Fame American/Canadian/Mexican Water Landmarks Award

The committee consists of five members, three being the most recent Past Chairs not in office. The chair is appointed by the Section Chair for a three-year term.

The Chair is supplied with the AWWA Awards Manual, and provides the committee with the criteria for each award. Subject to the conditions of each award, no recommendation is made unless four committee members (including the chair) agree. Recommendation(s) are forwarded on the proper form to the Section Awards Committee via the Section office.

Landmark Awards/Section Historical Recognition

Walter O. Weight Membership Awards

This committee selects one Section member annually to receive this award at the Fall Conference. The award is given for outstanding service in overall recruiting and retention of AWWA members, to include his/her demonstration of methods of an overall successful program that follow the basic membership goals of Walter O. Weight who has long been recognized as the most productive recruiter of members for the Association.

The committee consists of three most recent awardees, the Section Past Chair who no longer holds the office. The committee chair is the senior member serving his final year on the committee. This committee is a subcommittee of the Section Awards Committee and reports directly to the Section Awards Committee on all committee activities and nominees. Nominations shall be submitted in writing no later than May 1st to the Awards Chair through the Section office.

Backflow Prevention Tester/Cross-Connection Specialist Certification Committee

The Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester/Cross-Connection Program Specialist Certification Committee shall be responsible for the activities and promotion of the Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester Certification Program and the Cross-Connection Control Program Specialists Certification Program.

The committee shall consist of no less than four (4) nor greater than nine (9) members, representing the California-Nevada Section, AWWA. This membership shall include the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee, and all members must hold valid Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester and Cross Connection Control Program Specialist certificates. A three (3) year term, with possible reappointment, is made according to Section Rules.

The appointment of the Chair shall be made by the Section Chair as recommended by the Certification Director. The appointment of the Committee members and Vice Chair shall be made by the Certification Director as recommended by the Chair of the Committee.

The Chair shall serve as a Committee member of the Certification Board and be responsible for communications between the Certification Board and the Certification Committee. The Chair shall make recommendations within its charge to the Certification Board by means of written documentations.

The Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester/Cross-Connection Control Program Specialist Certification Committee charge shall be as follows:

- The Committee shall conduct a mandatory meeting at each biannual CA-NV AWWA conference, these meetings shall be known as the spring and fall conference. Biannual conference meetings shall be scheduled by the CA-NV AWWA Section office. Biannual Conference meeting shall not exceed one and one-half (1.5) hours in length.

- The Committee shall conduct additional meetings as necessary to execute the Committee’s charge described herein. Additional meetings must receive pre-approval from the Certification Director or their designee (Assistant Certification Director or Section Office).

- The Committee shall review all existing questions and develop new questions for all certification examinations relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.

- The Committee shall validate all questions used for all certification examinations relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.

- The Committee, in coordination with Committee’s respective Administrator(s), shall set all training guidelines relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.
• The Committee, in coordination with Committee's respective Administrator(s), shall review and process all written complaints regarding all examinations relative to the Committee's certification discipline.

• The Committee, in coordination with Committee's respective Administrator(s), shall review all changes made to its respective Certification program.

• The Committee shall assist the CA-NV Section Office Certification Manager with the validation process and accreditation of its respective Certification Program.

Backflow Programs Committee
The purpose of this committee is to: (1) encourage and assist water utilities and other agencies having jurisdiction to begin, develop and refine cross-connection control programs; (2) address specific conditions, piping arrangements, and water using equipment to determine appropriate backflow prevention guidelines; (3) provide liaison with California and Nevada state health departments and other administrative authorities regarding the interpretation/development of respective regulations and formulation of guidelines; and (4) produce workshop/seminars on backflow prevention/cross connection control. The committee reports to the Water Distribution Division.

Certification Board
This board is responsible for directing the administration of the California - Nevada Section voluntary certification programs: Water Distribution Operators/Associate, Grades 1-4; Water Treatment Operator/Associate, Grades 1-4; Water Quality Laboratory Analyst, Grades 1-4; Water Conservation Practitioner; Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester; Cross-connection Control Program Specialist Certification.

Subject to Governing Board approval, this board adopts rules governing certification programs, administered and monitors the written examination required for the different levels of certification. It shall be involved in training Operators in each program and shall work with the Education Director in these areas. Successful candidates for certification are issued a certificate embossed with the Section Seal and signed by both the Certification Administrator and the Program Director.

The Board had five Committees: Water Distribution Certification Committee, Backflow Tester/Cross Connection Certification Specialist Committee, Water Treatment Certification Committee, Water Conservation Certification Committee, and Laboratory Analyst. Each committee is represented on the Board adopted rules governing certification. An “Administrator,” working within the Sections Regulations, administers each committee's program. He/she shall work with the Certification Manager in the preparation, scheduling locations and monitoring of written examinations, but reporting to the Certification Director in all matters. The Director may review Section Policy with the Secretary or Treasurer. The board reports to the Certification Program Director, who reports to the Governing Board.

Competitions Committee
The purpose of this committee is to coordinate and conduct the Annual Pipe Tapping, Hot Flare and Meter Madness Competitions held during each Spring Meeting. The Committee will also evaluate other “fun” activities/competitions that may be incorporated in future meetings and conferences to increase the participation of operating personnel.

The committee will develop and maintain a “how-to” manual for conducting the Pipe Tapping Contest, which must include current AWWA Tapping Contest Rules and Regulations. The committee will videotape the contest proceedings and supply them to the contestants and the Section office. Tapes will also be made available, at a reasonable cost, to interested agencies. The committee will supply registration information, before the specified deadline, to the Section office to be included in the Spring Registration Package. The committee will also supply the office with contest results and other promotional material to be published in the Summer, Fall, and Winter issues of SOURCE.

The Committee Chair should have a strong background in planning, coordinating and conducting large-scale demonstrations or events and be familiar with field pipe-line/service procedures. There shall be three other members from at-large, one of which should be a supplier representative. The Spring Local Arrangements Committee will supply one of its members as liaison to assist in coordinating this event. This committee reports to the Operators Division.

Conference Committee
The Conference Committee was created to enhance the Section's conferences and increase attendance at these conferences. Activities include advice about future conference sites, make conference improvements, assist the Section treasurer in a balanced budget, inspect potential conference sites, obtain preliminary conference costs, and address conference promotional efforts. The committee reports to the Executive Committee.

Corrosion Committee
The committee is responsible for: (a) investigation of corrosion problems in utility systems; (b) recommendations for Section policy in corrosion control; (c) preparation of, or arrangement for corrosion control Section training courses and seminars; and (d) such other tasks as the Governing Board may deem appropriate. The committee chair shall be qualified in this field and should be a member of the National Association of Corrosion Engineers so he may provide liaison between the California-Nevada Section and the local sections of NACE International (NACE). The committee reports to the Water Distribution Division.

Desalination Committee
The purpose of this committee is to develop and disseminate information about the theory and application of desalting technologies. Technologies to be evaluated include both thermal and membrane processes for brackish and sea waters. The committee will compile information on the desalting technologies and shall transfer this information to interested utilities and the general membership through seminars and publications. The committee reports to the Water Resources Division.

Distribution System Water Quality Committee
The purpose of this committee is to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of utility personnel responsible for system water quality in preventing or minimizing degradation of water quality in the distribution system. The committee shall work to provide water that meets quality standards by: (a) stimulating the adoption and use of proper design, construction and operational procedures; (b) providing educational publications and training; (c) answering questions on specific system quality problems; and (d) recommending research on appropriate continuing problems. The committee reports to the Water Quality Division.

Education Committee
The purpose of the committee is to: (a) promote and coordinate education and training activities of the Standing committees, emphasizing drinking water and water for other uses; (b) advise the Technical Program Committee as to educational and training activities that may be of general interest to the Section; (c) develop, maintain and submit to the Section office an up-to-date calendar for publication of education and training activities, thereby providing continuity and avoiding duplication; and (d) provide assistance to standing committees in obtaining instructional material, locations for programs, workshops and seminars. The committee shall include all Division Chairs and report to the Education Director who reports to the Governing Board.

Energy Committee
The Energy Committee was established to present programs for Section members, which inform them of energy availability, efficient equipment and operating techniques as well as State regulatory policies about energy pricing and new service project development. The Energy Committee also administers the Energy Management Application and Award Process. This committee reports to the Water Resources Division.

Environmental Compliance Committee
The purpose of this committee is to monitor and review regulatory compliance issues. The goals of the committee are to: collect and disseminate information regarding environmental compliance issues; develop a proactive program to identify and track changes to existing regulations and new regulatory requirements that would affect water supply utilities; discuss those regulatory issues identified and tracked and determine how they will affect water supply utilities; provide comments, recom-
mendations and positions of the Section to legislators and regulators on environmental, health and safety issues with the approval of the Section Chair; recommend a policy and procedure models to facilitate compliance by California-Nevada Section, AWWA members; and discuss and develop techniques, strategies, and management approaches that reduce the potential for people of the environment to be harmed by activities and/or programs undertaken by water utilities. This committee reports to the Operations and Maintenance Division.

**Financial Management Committee**

The purpose of this committee is to collect and disseminate information on water utility finance (both public and private), economics (including rate making) and risk management processes. The committee shall present papers on such subjects at Section meetings and conferences and periodically publish selected papers in the AWWA Journal, etc. The committee reports to the Business Administration Division.

**Government Affairs Committee**

To develop programs to initiate, evaluate and respond within the framework of association policy on legislative, regulatory and other matters directly affecting California-Nevada drinking water professionals in order to encourage better water quality and service to the public. The Government Affairs Committee structure includes the following representatives: Government Affairs Committee Chair, CA-NV Executive Director, CA-NV Government Affairs Manager, Past Government Affairs Committee Chair, SDWA Committee Representative, Certification Board Representative, ACWA Representative, each of the Governing Board Section Trustees and/or a Representative from each of the Division, and a maximum of (6) At – Large members, if needed, to ensure coverage of the following areas: Small Systems, Northern California, Southern California, Northern Nevada, Southern Nevada, and/or key water players within the industry or government affairs representatives from utilities.

**Information Management Committee**

The purpose of this committee is to: (a) provide communication among individuals and agencies regarding Management Information through the utilization of computers; and (b) establish recommendations on the type of information which can be obtained through the use of computers. The committee is not involved in technical engineering programs or the use of computers for supervisory control of water system operation. The committee reports to the Business Administration Division.

**Local Arrangements Committee**

A Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) handles the preparations for either a Spring or Fall Conference. Each committee must coordinate closely with several Section officials over a two-year period. The Governing Board has final location approval for future Spring or Fall conferences. Once the Conference Director has their approval, a Host Utility is selected, who then names their Local Liaison to manage early details. A full committee is selected at a later date and the Local Liaison serves as committee chair. The coordination of activities such as Spouses’ Tours, Entertainment, Technical Tours, Publicity, Registration, and Program Monitors shall be delegated to committee members under the supervision of the Conference Director. One member of the current Spring LAC is selected to serve as a delegate on the Pipe Tapping Contest Committee to assist with contest preparations. At the close of each meeting or conference, the Section hosts a farewell luncheon for the outgoing LAC, Discussions and Forums to inform interested Section members of their findings. It reports to the Business Administration Division.

**Manufacturers and Associates Council (MAC)**

The CA-NV AWWA Manufacturers and Associates Council shall:

- provide responsible representation for and involvement of Manufacturer and Associate Members;
- develop programs and activities for Manufacturer and Associate Members;
- encourage their membership and participation in the Section; and
- provide policy input and develop response and commitment within the framework of the Section on matters affecting Manufacturer and Associate Members.

The council shall:

- be 20 members-at-large;
- be Manufacturer and Associate Members of the Section; and
- be a representative mix of manufacturers, distributors, manufacturing reps, consultants, contractors and other technical service organizations in the water supply industry from California and Nevada.

**Management Development and Training Committee**

This committee is responsible to: (1) evaluate the need for training at all professional levels in the water industry covered by the Section; (2) recommend specific programs in technology and management implementation as appropriate under Section regulations; (3) maintain liaison with Education Director to assure coordination of efforts; (4) provide resources for member desiring information, seminar provider lists and other helps toward management development; and (5) provide clearinghouse service to water utilities in their program development, providing this service on a balanced geographic basis within the Section.

**Membership Committee**

The purpose of this committee is to: 1) plan and implement efforts to stimulate enrollment of new AWWA members; 2) develop and implement a membership retention program, which includes committee assignments, introduction to Section officers, and hospitality at meetings and conferences, with particular attention to newly recruited members and those not previously involved in Section activities. The chair and the Vice Chairs appoints, will work closely with local water utility groups, and other Section committees and the Public Information Director to accomplish this purpose.

**Materials Performance Committee**

The committee evaluates the performance of materials used in the construction and operation of water distribution facilities on the basis of cost, service life and suitability of the purpose for which it is intended. They are encouraged to schedule seminars and forums to inform interested Section members of their findings. It reports to the Water Distribution Division.

**Meter Committee**

This committee shall have the following purposes: 1) assemble and disseminate information on metering practices and standards for all water utility purposes; 2) assemble and disseminate information on utility practices of meter sizing, meter specifications, meter testing and all aspects of meter installation and replacement; 3) provide a forum for sharing the state of the art in all meter related matters; 4) provide a clearinghouse for information on management, shop and field practices related to metering; 5) maintain close liaison with the Maintenance Division with regard to meter maintenance practices; and 6) establish and encourage close liaison with other like organizations. This committee reports to the Water Distribution Division.

**Operations and Maintenance Technical Committee**

The Operations and Maintenance Technical Committee focuses on new methods of purchasing, operating and maintaining water system equipment including pumps, motors, motor control equipment, mechanical, electrical, hydraulic and pneumatic equipment, cars, trucks, construction equipment and all other system equipment. The committee will disseminate information on new techniques, tools, materials and instruments. The committee will review new products and their application for use in water treatment, storage, and distribution systems. The committee reports to the Operations and Maintenance Division.

**Pipeline Rehabilitation Committee**

The purpose of this committee is to focus on pipelines and appurtenances. It shall: 1) identify existing procedures and provide proven information about new procedures for water system pipe maintenance and rehabilitation; 2) gather data on costs and effectiveness including field performance data, pipe friction factors, leak surveys, main break frequency, computer modeling and useful life; 3) investigate and publish criteria or conduct seminars for deciding when to rehabilitate (based on 2) above; and 4) respond to questions concerning water system piping maintenance and rehabilitation. The committee shall include representatives from the Business Administration and Water Quality divisions. It reports to the Water Distribution Division.
Recycled Water Committee
The committee’s mission is to promote the safe, effective and economical use of recycled water. The committee will maintain a leadership role in the development of recommendations and guidelines for the use of recycled water that are consistent with regulatory requirements. The committee will provide a variety of educational programs including publications, presentations and training workshops to disseminate information related to recycled water. The committee will provide liaison and work jointly with Section and National committees, regulatory agencies and other organizations with similar interests and goals. This committee reports to the Water Resources Division.

Research Committee
The Research Committee supports and encourages research development by disseminating information about ongoing research and identifying current and future research needs of the Section and water utility industry.

The Research Committee accomplishes its mission by focusing on five core strategies:
1. Organize professional seminars and technical sessions for AWWA conferences through collaborative effort with other committees of the Section.
2. Encourage participation of the academic communities by conducting university outreach activities and cosponsoring a university forum with the Young Professionals Committee of the Section.
3. Coordinate activities with the national AWWA Water Science and Research Division.
4. Collaborate closely with the Awwa Research Foundation (AwwaRF) to keep informed about research at the national level, develop technical sessions on current AwwaRF projects and collect input from the Section to assist AwwaRF in addressing research needs.

5. Establish a web page to disseminate information about ongoing research activities in the region.

Safe Drinking Water Act Committee
The purpose of this committee is to keep water utilities and Section members aware of the requirements of existing and proposed State and Federal water quality regulations. With the concurrence of the Section Chair, it comments and makes recommendations to State and Federal agencies on behalf of the Section. It disseminates information via periodic seminars, inclusion of reports in the section's publication SOURCE and by programs held at Section meetings. The committee reports directly to the Section Chair.

Safety Committee
The purpose of this committee is to stimulate the adoption and use of practices, methods and operations adequate to insure the water utilities are safe places of employment. It is the function of the safety committee to get the safety message across to all members of the California-Nevada Section in as many ways as possible. In addition, we will recognize those in the industry who are doing an exceptional job in the safety field. The committee reports to the Operations and Maintenance Division.

Security and Emergency Planning Committee
The purpose of this committee is: (1) to encourage and assist water utilities and businesses supporting water utilities to improve and accelerate advance planning for major emergencies; (2) to cooperate with government and private industry operations amenable to pre-planning and exercise of emergency response plans; (3) to arrange for educational and local assistance programs focusing on emergency planning and; (4) to coordinate Section and Division activities related to emergency planning.

The EPC works to maintain ongoing liaison efforts with the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency, State of California Office of Emergency Services,

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Small Utilities Committee
The purpose of this committee is to identify the water quality and training needs of water systems serving less than 10,000 people. It is to plan and implement programs to meet these needs, including coordinating with the Education and Training Program Director, the Distribution, Maintenance and Resources Divisions in such planning and implementation. This committee reports to the Water Quality Division.

Source Water Quality Committee
The purpose of this committee is to develop and provide information on the protection of water supply quality. The committee shall investigate the causes of source water degradation, the methods for maintaining or improving source water quality, and the measures for protecting the watershed, raw water storage and groundwater supplies. The committee will disseminate this information on water supply protection and management to the membership through seminars and publications. This committee reports to the Water Quality Division.

Tanks, Reservoirs and Maintenance Committee
This committee provides information on roofing systems, internal and external coating systems and practices for water storage facilities, protection of exposed piping and equipment in pumping plants and underground vaults, and new methods for improved performance by support shops. The committee reports to the Operations and Maintenance Division.

Technical Programs Committee
The purpose of this committee is to prepare and manage all technical programs for Spring Meetings and Fall Conferences. The committee shall have tentative programs established no less than six months, and final programs in place no less than two months prior to each event, in order to assure proper publicity. The committee chair shall send invitations to all speakers. Advance arrangements shall be made with all speakers for audio-visual aids and other equipment needs by the speaker. The committee chair shall send letters of appreciation to speakers immediately following the event at which the presentation is made. The Vice Chairs of the Divisions and the Conference Director shall serve as committee members. Additional members, as deemed appropriate by the committee Chair, may be added for specific programs. This committee reports to the Governing Board.

Top Op’s Committee
The purpose of this committee is to coordinate and conduct the Annual TOP OPS Challenge held during each Spring Meeting. The Committee will also evaluate other activities/competitions that may be incorporated in future meetings and conferences to increase the participation of operating personnel. The committee will develop and maintain a how-to manual for conducting the TOPS OPS Challenge. The committee may videotape the contest proceedings and supply them to the contestants and the Section office. Tapes will also be made available, at a reasonable cost, to interested agencies.

The committee will supply registration information, before the specified deadline, to the Section office to be included in the Spring Registration Package. The committee will also supply the office with contest results and other promotional material to be published in SOURCE. The Committee Chair should have a strong background in all aspects of water treatment plant operations. There shall be three other members, one of which should be a supplier representative. The Spring Local Arrangements Committee will supply one of its members as liaison to assist in coordinating this event. This committee reports to the Conference Director.

Water Conservation Certification Committee
The Water Conservation Certification Committee shall be responsible for the activities and promotion of the Water Conservation Certification Program. The Committee shall consist of no less than four (4) and no more than nine (9) members, representing the California-Nevada Section AWWA. This membership shall include the Chair and the Vice Chair of the Committee, and all members must be certified in Water Conservation or be granted a variance as directed by the Governing Board. A three (3) year term, with possible reappointment, is made according to Section Rules.

The appointment of the Chair shall be made by the Section Chair as recommended by the Certification Director. The appointment of the Committee members and Vice Chair shall be made by the Certification Director as recommended by the Chair of the Committee.

The Chair shall serve as a Committee member of the Certification Board and be responsible for communications between the Certification Board and the Certification Committee. The Chair shall make recommendations within its charge to the Certification Board by means of written documents.

The Water Conservation Certification Committee charge shall be as follows:

- The Committee shall conduct a mandatory meeting at each biannual CA-NV AWWA conference; these meetings shall be known as the spring and fall conference. Biannual conference meetings shall be scheduled by the CA-NV AWWA Section office. Biennial Conference meeting shall not exceed one and one-half (1.5) hours in length.
- The Committee shall conduct additional meetings as necessary to execute the Committee’s charge described herein. Additional meetings must receive pre-approval from the Certification Director or their designee (Assistant Certification Director or Section Office).
- The Committee shall review all existing questions and develop new questions for all grade levels used for certification examinations relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.
- The Committee shall validate all questions used for all the grade levels used for certification examinations relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.
- The Committee, in coordination with Committee’s respective Administrator(s), shall set all training guidelines relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.
- The Committee, in coordination with Committee’s respective Administrator(s), shall maintain all rules, regulations, procedures and examination enhancements relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.
• The Committee, in coordination with Committee’s respective Administrator(s), shall review and process all written complaints regarding all examinations relative to the Committee’s certification discipline.

• The Committee, in coordination with Committee’s respective Administrator(s), shall review all changes made to its respective Certification program.

• The Committee shall assist the CA-NV Section Office Certification Manager with the validation process and accreditation of its respective Certification Program.

Water Conservation Committee
The purpose of this committee is to increase water use efficiency throughout water agency service areas by prudent water management practices and use of feasible technologies. The committee members represent all public and private water purveyors and others willing to dedicate time and service to promote water awareness, by annually developing projects to support purveyors’ programs and by disseminating program results. This committee reports to the Water Resources Division.

Water for People Committee (WFP)
The Water for People Committee is established to be the link to the national AWWA organization and to take the lead role in developing and funding projects that are recommended by the Section Membership and their contacts around the world. The primary goal of the committee is to develop the support structure for implementing projects that may arise from the section of the membership of that may be identified by the national WFP organization. To accomplish this goal, the committee would consist of: (1) a chair with the over all responsibility of coordination in the work of the committee; (2) a vice chair with the responsibility of providing assistance to the chair committee activities; and (3) a treasurer for handling any funds that are raised by the committee project use. To function properly the committee will require several subcommittees with a responsible chair for each subcommittee. The proposed subcommittee will consist of the following: (1) Project development; (2) Fundraising; (3) Publicity; and (4) Volunteer Coordination. In addition these subcommittees once the development process is complete.

The Section WFP Committee will be composed of a minimum of seven (7) members to that each of the above offices may be filled. However, additional memberships would be essential to accomplish the goals of the committee. A maximum of fifteen (15) members would allow at least one additional member of each subcommittee and provide backup to each subcommittee chair. As project teams are developed and staffed, the chair of each project team would automatically become a member of the committee for the duration of the project.

The purpose for the project development Subcommittee will be to use Section Members and their contacts international relief organizations to identify projects, develop the scope of the project, the funds required, the implementation plan and the monitoring/evaluation methods for project success. Once a project has gone through these steps, it can be transferred to a specific project subcommittee to actually implement the project.

The purpose of the Fundraising subcommittee will be to raise the money required to help fund the proposed projects established by the Project Development subcommittee. The methods may include sports events at the Fall and Spring Conference; mail appeals to the membership or other creative ideas.

The publicity subcommittee will have the important task of informing the Section membership of the existence of this committee, its purpose, its need for funds and volunteers and its need for project ideas and international relief agency contacts. Publicity will be accomplished at conferences, through notices in Section publications and other communication methods. This subcommittee will also provide speakers to organizations that may be interested in supporting the WTP concept with funding and to Section events for general publicity.

The Volunteer Coordination subcommittee will be a clearing house of information for the Section in terms of those individuals willing to serve and in terms of assistance to project terms in staffing each of the projects. The subcommittee will rely heavily on the database already established by National WFP, but it will also compile any additional information specific to Section member/volunteers. This subcommittee will also be the conduit of volunteers for other WFP projects that may be identified by National or other AWWA Section WFP committees that need assistance.

Water Management Committee
This committee shall inform the membership of various means of increasing efficiency and cost effectiveness, and promote total water management, including both people and the environment. It shall emphasize current water management issues and programs that have been recently implemented or are under evaluation by addressing such topics as: management of water supplies; including surface water, groundwater, and recycled water; environmental stewardship and sustainability of water supplies; water conservation; conjunctive use of water; exchange agreements and water transfers; developments and trends in basin management; cost sharing and basin equity assessments; desalination of water supplies; and legal constraints and requirements. It shall accomplish its mission by:

• Providing technical sessions at Section conferences;

• Organizing seminars, workshops, and panels;

• Preparing position papers for consideration by the Section Board of Directors to promote legislation, regulations, and policies affecting total water management; and

• Preparing sessions or units for the Water College and for other outreach opportunities.

This committee reports to the Water Resources Division. 1’ Water Operations Certification

Water Operations Certification Committee
The Water Operations Certification Committee is responsible for the activities and promotion of the Water Treatment and Water Distribution Certification Programs.

The Committee consists of no fewer than four (4) and no more than nine (9) members.

All committee members must possess valid Grade 4 (or higher) certifications in Water Treatment or Water Distribution; valid certifications include those issued by the CA/NV AWWA, the State of California, and the State of Nevada. The Committee is structured to include a Water Treatment Sub-Committee and a Water Distribution Sub-Committee.

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The membership includes the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the general committee members. Additionally, each Program has a designated Certification Program Administrator(s), hereafter Program Administrator(s). The Program Administrator(s) are not members of the Committee, although they are vital to the Certification Programs. Each committee member serves a three (3) year term; terms may be extended in accordance with Section Rules and Regulations.

The purpose of the committee is to increase the efficiency, effectiveness, and data quality of water analysis by providing communication among persons engaged in performing such analyses. Committee members should consist of persons engaged in the analysis of domestic water supplies for biological, chemical, physical or radiological parameters. The committee reports to the Water Quality Division.

**Water Quality Laboratory Analyst Certification Committee**

The Water Quality Laboratory Analyst Certification Committee is responsible for the activities and promotion of the Water Quality Laboratory Analyst Certification Program.

The Committee consists of no fewer than four (4) and no more than seven (7) members, representing the California-Nevada Section, AWWA. The membership includes the Chair and Vice Chair, and all committee members must possess valid Grade 3 (or higher) certification as Water Quality Laboratory Analysts. The Certification Program's Administrator(s), hereafter, Program Administrator(s), are not members of the Committee, although vital to the Certification Program. Each committee member serves a three (3) year term; terms may be extended in accordance with Section Rules and Regulations.

The appointment of the Committee Chair is made by the Certification Director, and the appointment of the Vice Chair is made by the Certification Director in consultation with the Committee Chair. The appointments of all other committee members are made by the Committee Chair in consultation with the Vice Chair.

The Chair serves as a member of the Certification Board and is responsible for communications between the Certification Board and the Certification Committee. The Chair makes recommendations within its charge to the Certification Board by means of written documents.

The Chair and the Program Administrator(s) are directly accountable to the Certification Director, and they are all accountable and work in partnership with the Section personnel assigned to the Certification Program.

The Water Operations Certification Committee charge is as follows:

In order to advance the Water Treatment and Water Distribution Certification Programs:

- The Committee conducts a mandatory meeting at each Spring and Fall Section conference, as scheduled by the Section. The Committee Chair endeavors to ensure that the length of each of these meetings does not exceed one and one-half (1.5) hours in length due to the constraints of scheduling meeting rooms.
- The Committee conducts additional meetings as necessary to execute the Committee’s charge described herein. The Certification Director or his/her designee (Assistant Certification Director or Section staff) is to be notified of all additional meetings.
- The designated Sub-Committees may review all existing questions used for certification examinations relative to the Sub-Committee's certification discipline. Exams may be provided by a third party, as authorized by the Section.
- The Committee may develop and validate new questions used for its certification examinations. Validated questions are added to the Section's examination database. The Committee may submit validated examination material to an authorized third-party provider for consideration and integration into the provider's examinations.
- The Committee, in coordination with its respective Program Administrator(s), sets all training guidelines relative to the Committee’s certification disciplines.
- The Committee, in coordination with its respective Program Administrator(s), maintains all rules, regulations, procedures and examination enhancements relative to the Committee’s certification disciplines.
- The Committee, in coordination with its respective Program Administrator(s), reviews and processes all written complaints regarding all examinations relative to the Committee’s certification disciplines.
- The Committee, in coordination with its respective Program Administrator(s), reviews all changes made to its respective Certification programs.
- The Committee assists the Section's staff with the validation process and accreditation of its respective Certification Programs.

**Water Systems Controls Committee**

The purpose of this committee is to develop and disseminate information about the theory and application of telemetry and supervisory control to the operation of water utility system facilities. The committee reports to the Water Distribution Division.
Water Treatment Committee
The purpose of this committee is to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of water treatment operations by providing communications among persons engaged in, or knowledgeable, of water treatment. This committee shall compile information on recurring and unusual water treatment problems and shall serve as a referral agency to utilities seeking information from other utilities with regard to water treatment technology and shall communicate this technology to the membership through publications and seminars. This committee reports to the Water Quality Division.

Water Well Technology Committee
The committee shall be responsible for addressing all aspects of water wells and drilling. This shall include, but not be limited to, design, construction, operation, testing, efficiency, disinfection, maintenance, cathodic protection, aquifer water exchange, contamination prevention, gas discharge, groundwater discharge, rehabilitation and destruction of wells.
The committee will provide liaison with Department of Health Services, Department of Water, Environmental Health Associations, CA-NV Groundwater Associations and other appropriate agencies to review, revise and develop regulations and guidelines pertinent to water wells. The committee will produce educational workshops and seminars beneficial to the Section members and people involved in the water industry. The committee reports to the Water Resources Division.

Workforce Development Council
The purpose of the Workforce Development Council is to support the Sections goal to develop a more diverse and effective workforce. The committee will do this through training, recruitment and outreach. This will be accomplished through the following activities:
• Aid in the development of a marketing/outreach program to attract new talent for all water career opportunities.
• Aid in the development of partnerships with other associations and entities to share resources in meeting common workforce development goals.
• Aid in the development of programs to assist members and their firms to recruit, train, and assimilate the changing workforce to their in-house needs. These may include formal apprenticeships, internships, in-house training academies, on-line training academies, and formal college education programs.
• Aid in the development of progressive management techniques to promote diverse and inclusive skills for future leaders in the workforce.
• Aid in the development of multiple avenues for new talent to become active members.

Young Professionals Committee
The purpose of the Young Professionals Committee is: 1) encourage young professionals to become active participants of AWWA; 2) develop programs of interest to young professionals in the drinking water industry; 3) promote the benefits of membership in AWWA by increasing opportunities for participation and career development, and to identify younger industry members who can be encouraged to take an active leadership role in the association; 4) perform outreach functions to college students; 5) work with retired group members and Board members as mentors to other young professionals; 6) work with retired group members and Board members as mentors to other young professionals; 7) utilize CA-NV Section student membership to promote young professional membership; 8) collaborate with the Education Committee on the process for scholarship awardees; and 9) promote increased understanding between the different facets of the water industry.