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Washington DC Roundtable and Separate Meetings

April 22, 2026

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301 Water St. SE
Washington, DC 20003

Tuesday, April 21st – ICWP Board Strategic Planning Meeting

(closed door at Reservoir Center Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 22nd – Joint Water Planners Conference

8:30 - 9:00 am **Continental Breakfast and Registration** (Reservoir Center Cafe)

9:00 - 9:30 am **Welcome and Introductions** (Multipurpose Room)

Western States Water Council (WSWC)
Julie Cunningham, Chair and J.D. Strong, Executive Director

Interstate Council on Water Policy (ICWP)
Bob Bacon, Chair and Beth Callaway, Executive Director

Welcome from Josh Mahan, Director of Internal Affairs, Reservoir Center

9:30 - 11:30 am **Panel 1 – Water Policy Committee**

MODERATOR: TBD

PANELISTS:

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Jessica Kramer, Assistant Administrator for Water, EPA
(CONFIRMED)

Andrea Travnicek, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science,
Department of the Interior (CONFIRMED)

Richard Fordyce, Under Secretary for Farm Production and
Conservation, USDA (invited)

Adam Telle, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, DoD
(invited)

Dario Gil, Under Secretary for Science and Innovation, DoE (invited)

Tim Petty, NOAA Deputy Administrator, DoC (CONFIRMED)

Karen St. Germain, Director, Earth Sciences, NASA (CONFIRMED)

11:30 - 12:00 pm

OPEN DISCUSSION/NETWORKING

12:00 - 1:30pm

LUNCH (Reservoir Center Cafe)

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Panel 2 – Congressional Panel

MODERATOR: Geoff Bowman, Vice President, Van Scoyoc Associates

PANELISTS:

Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources

Melanie Thornton, Professional Staff (CONFIRMED)

House Committee on Natural Resources

Matt Muirraggui, Deputy Staff Director (TENTATIVE)

Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works

Maddie Blalock, CWA/SDWA staff (CONFIRMED)

House Transportation and Infrastructure

Logan Ferree, Professional Staff Member, Sub. on Water Resources
and Environment (CONFIRMED)

3:00 - 3:30 pm

OPEN DISCUSSION/NETWORKING

3:30 - 4:30pm

**Panel 3 – Communicating Water Information:
Data/Modeling/Forecasting**

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MODERATOR: Ana Pakenham-Stevenson, Montana DRC

PANELISTS:

NOAA OWP – National Water Model – Allie Allen, Office of Water Prediction Director (CONFIRMED)

USGS WMA & NSIP – Dianna Crilley, Director, Office of Planning and Programming for the USGS Water Resources Mission Area; Chad Wagner, Program Coordinator for the Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program; Brian Clark, Deputy Program Coordinator for the Water Availability and Use Science Program (CONFIRMED)

USDA/NRCS - Heather Hofman, Director of National Water and Climate Center (CONFIRMED)

NASA Western Water Action Office – Sharon Vasquez-Ray, Program Manager (CONFIRMED)

Desert Research Institute – Dan McEvoy, Associate Research Professor, Climatology (CONFIRMED)

Additional insights from State Representatives

Discussion questions:

1. Connecting Products to States' Use: Challenges and "speed bumps" states face in utilizing federal data and products.
2. Data Trust: Challenges over end-users' (farmers, ranchers, city residents) and sophisticated state users' trust and perception of data sources (e.g., via AI/Google search).
3. Accessibility: Discoverability of studies/data on agency websites and the ability for states to download raw data for their own modeling.

4:30 - 5:00 pm **Observations and Next Steps** - ICWP and WSWC Chairs

5:00 pm **ADJOURN**

5:30 - 7:30 pm **Joint Roundtable Reception** (District Winery @ 385 Water St SE, Washington, DC 20003)

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Thursday, April 23rd – ICWP Members Meeting & Hill Visits

- 8:30 - 9:00 am Continental Breakfast (Reservoir Center Cafe)
- 9:00 am ICWP Members Meeting (Conference Room)
- 12:00pm Adjourn
- 1:30pm – 4:00pm Capitol Hill Visits (to be confirmed)

Many thanks to Xylem for sponsoring the Reservoir Center event space!