

# Nevada Rural Water Association



## Who is NvRWA?

The Nevada Rural Water Association is a nonprofit membership organization providing water and wastewater technical assistance, watershed protection coordination programs, and our Workforce Development and Training program statewide. We reach out to offer an extensive training calendar that includes practical, hands-on training, individual instruction and mentoring, in classroom and board room training. In addition to our annual training conference, training is also offered by request at your location and on your schedule or remotely via distance learning through our Workforce Development and Training program.

Whether a water/wastewater system (including the tribal systems) needs assistance or training for operators, office staff, management or board members, our focus is on making systems stronger and more sustainable. We embrace a learn-by-doing approach to deliver appropriate assistance, whether your needs are in the technical, managerial or financial aspect of your utility business. Very small systems are able to rely on our depth of knowledge that is otherwise not available. Larger systems do the same, by taking advantage of training opportunities and on-site assistance.

Here are just a few examples of assistance and training we are ready to deliver:

- ✓ Using GIS for mapping and utility/asset management
- ✓ Rate Setting and analysis
- ✓ Community Based Watershed Protection Planning
- ✓ Household Income Surveys
- ✓ Operator Training / Certification Preparation
- ✓ Training for Board Members (multiple subjects)
- ✓ Understanding your system and its components
- ✓ Water and Wastewater Regulations Compliance
- ✓ Long-Range Capital Improvement Planning
- ✓ Maintenance Management Programs
- ✓ Operation and Maintenance Manuals
- ✓ Implementing Your Cross-Connection Control Program
- ✓ Public Outreach and Education

## ***Mission Statement:***

***To provide the best available technology, resources, support, assistance and training to our membership serving Nevada communities.***

## **Join Today**

We invite you to join us today. Large or small, NvRWA values your annual membership. Just some of the benefits of membership are described in this brochure.

Please complete the enclosed form and return it with your payment. If you have questions, or would like additional information, please give us a call at 775-841-4222 or visit our website at [www.nvrwa.org](http://www.nvrwa.org).

## **Membership Discounts**

Discounted conference registration! As a system member you can get up to three discounted conference registrations. For example, the non-member rate for conference registration cost is two times that of the member rate. This means that membership can rapidly pay for itself.

## **Training**

NvRWA delivers water / wastewater specialists, managers, board members and office staff with formal classroom education or hands-on training upon request. We conduct trainings throughout the year on compliance, operational, financial and managerial topics, at your location or remotely. We host an annual conference held in northern Nevada in March. Most of the conference sessions are approved through NDEP-BSDW for your license renewal needs. Along with training, our conference provides valuable networking opportunities with other systems and equipment and services vendors.

## **On-Site Technical Assistance**

NvRWA provides free on-site technical assistance to water and wastewater systems in Nevada. Whether you need help with water loss calculation, leak detection, pipe and valve location or operational matters such as water treatment or analysis, our staff works directly with you to identify needs, and then provides assistance while improving system capabilities. Our specialists can keep you up-to-date with ways to integrate GIS and asset management, using the most recent means of entering and accessing your own data. We can also assist with various reports/compliance needs and can be your guide through water rates development, loan and grant applications, board communications, and other managerial tasks.

## **Source Water Protection**

Our team-building approach results in development of community supported source water protection plans at the watershed level. Please contact us about protecting your water sources now so that future contamination and costly cleanup can be avoided.

## **Water Logged**

Membership includes a subscription to our quarterly publication, *Water Logged*. The magazine includes current information on water and wastewater related issues, training, equipment and services.

## Affinity programs available through National Rural Water



ServLine is a new and unique insurance program that will cover water lost with no deductible, repair or replace a customer's water and sewer line in a timely fashion.



### Rural Water Loan Fund

The RWLF provides low-cost loans for short-term repair costs, small capital projects, or pre-development costs associated with larger projects.



### Smart Websites for Towns & Water Systems

At RuralWaterImpact.com and MunicipalImpact.com we host beautiful, easy-to-use websites for hundreds of towns and water systems across America



### Healthy Benefits

The Healthy Benefits program gives NRWA members a comprehensive and affordable health benefits option to meet all of the compliance requirements of ACA.



IRIS – Immediate Response Information System, gives organizations the ability to broadcast information via voice and text to thousands of people simultaneously with its easy-to-use mass notification service, IRIS.



### Data Breach Insurance

This exclusive program offers Beazley Breach Response, a unique insurance, loss control and risk mitigation service that notifies and protects the customers of utilities that have suffered a data breach.



### Background Checks

Comprehensive background screening products and solutions at cost-effective rates. IntelliCorp provides validated criminal searches, screening packages, personalized support, training and compliance.



### Fleet Program

Special fleet discounts for State Rural Water Associations and their utility system members through Ford Motor Company and the Chrysler Group.