

Agenda

WDRWS Annual Meeting

September 12, 2023

Spearfish Holiday Inn, Cedar Room 305 N 27th St, Spearfish, SD 57783

8:00 a.m. **Registration**

Coffee and Rolls

9:00 **WELCOME**

Steve McFarland, City of Spearfish City Manager

Congressman Dusty Johnson Message

Senator John Thune Message

9:15 **Overview of Western Dakota Regional Water System**

Dale Tech, PE, President, Western Dakota Regional Water System, and City of Rapid City Public Works Director

9:30 **Water Perspectives from the State Legislature**

Introduction: Senator Helene Duhamel (R-District 32)

Address: Senate President Pro Tempore Lee Schoenbeck (R-District 5)

9:45 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Introduction: Dani Fettig, Rural Water Division Manager, Dakotas Area Office, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

Address: Brent Esplin, Regional Director, Missouri Basin, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

10:15 **BREAK**

10:30 **Water Use Trends in Black Hills Region 1990-2020**

Introduction: Mark Anderson, PhD, Adjunct Professor at South Dakota Mines

Address: Galen Hoogestraat and Bill Eldridge, Hydrologists, Dakota Water Science Center, U.S. Geological Survey

- 11:00 **State Water Projects and Funding Outlook**
Introduction: Doug Curry, Secretary/Treasurer, Western Dakota Regional Water System, and City of Box Elder Public Works Director
Address: Andy Bruels, PE, Director, Division of Financial and Technical Assistance, SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources
- 11:30 **Tribal Water Perspectives**
Introduction: Representative Peri Pourier (D-District 27)
Address: Frank Star Comes Out, Oglala Sioux Tribal President and Chairman of the Great Plains Tribal Chairmen's Association
- Noon **LUNCHEON**
Moderator: Cheryl Chapman, WDRWS Executive Director
Panel Discussion on the Significance of Regional Water Collaboration
Western Dakota Regional Water System Board of Directors
Dale Tech, PE, President, Public Works Director, City of Rapid City
Doug Curry, Secretary/Treasurer, Public Works Director, City of Box Elder
Teresa Hall, Mayor, City of New Underwood
Jake Fitzgerald, Manager, West River/Lyman Jones
Nick Broyles, Public Works Director, City of Spearfish
- 1:00 p.m. **ANNUAL MEETING**
Overview of the Annual Business Meeting
Dale Tech, PE, President, Western Dakota Regional Water System
- 1:15 **Anatomy of Large Waterline Projects**
Cory Chorne, PE, AE2S, Western Dakota Regional Water System Engineering Project Manager
- 1:45 **Business Meeting**
Talbot Wiczorek, Attorney for Western Dakota Regional Water Systems
Election of Board of Directors
- 2:15 **Announcements**
- 2:30 **ADJOURN**