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Nebraska Coalition Water Training Calendar 2019



Temperature inversion – Sea of fog at Grand Canyon  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: Kyle Holmquist

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PHA-OTH-19 (99442) 12/2018  
(for calendar year 2019)



North Dakota March Snow  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: Mr. Bill Koch, North Dakota State Highway Dept.

This calendar has been compiled by the Nebraska Training Coalition. The dates and locations of water and wastewater training events contained in this calendar were provided by Central Community College, Midwest Assistance Program, Inc., Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health, League of Nebraska Municipalities, NE Rural Water Association, NE Section of American Water Works Association, and similar organizations providing such training.

The abbreviations following each entry in the calendar represent the topic of focus.  
(W) = Water systems  
(BF) = Backflow prevention  
(WW) = Wastewater

The calendar includes only those training events scheduled as of printing time. Specific agendas and information on any of these scheduled events can be obtained by contacting the sponsoring organization and/or a separate mailing will be provided by the organization. Additional contact information for training events listed can be found on the insert page of this calendar.

We hope the calendar will help you plan your training for 2019.

Due to limitations relative to calendar size, some training events are shown only on the insert page.

Sincerely,

*The Training Coalition*



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<hr/> NeRWA - Wahoo - Backflow Licensure Course <hr/> LoNM - Lincoln - Utilities Section Conference <hr/> Total Backflow Resources - Grand Island - Backflow Licensure Course <hr/>						
20	21 HOLIDAY State Lab Closed	22 LoNM - Kearney (W)	23 NeRWA - Gordon (BF)	24 NeRWA - Bridgeport (BF)	25	26
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<hr/> LoNM / NWOD - Kearney - Snowball Wastewater Conference <hr/>						



Windfarm on Whitefish Bay, Ontario Canada  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce

## Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health

As a Division within the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Division of Public Health (DPH) licenses health related professions such as nurses, doctors, and psychologists. Included with the health related professions are occupations such as cosmetologists, asbestos workers, water operators, physical therapists, etc. Additional division responsibilities include public health laboratory services, radiological health issues, and other public health related programs and activities. It is also responsible for public health and environmental issues dealing with safe drinking water.

Responsibility for primary enforcement and administration of the Safe Drinking Water Act rests with the Division of Public Health. The Public Water Supply Program is composed of three components; Monitoring and Compliance, Engineering, and Field Services and Training. The Program also works with other ancillary programs within the Division of Public Health such as the laboratory, and partners with other organizations on various projects.

The Division of Public Health also has responsibilities associated with sanitation programs, and administers the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Act. This Act provides for the protection of ground water through the licensing and regulation of individuals in the Nebraska water well industry.

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# February 2019

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3	4	5 LoNM / AWWA - Norfolk (W) NeRWA - Nebraska City (BF)	6 LoNM / AWWA - Blair (W)	7 LoNM / AWWA - Beatrice (W) NeRWA - Stanton (BF) MAP - Crofton (WW) NDEQ - Hastings (WW test day)	8	9
	NWEA - Hastings - Wastewater Course					
10	11	12 DHHS DPH - Norfolk (PWS Reg Review)	13 DHHS DPH - Norfolk - Grade 4 Course NeRWA - Wahoo (WW)	14	15	16
17	18 HOLIDAY State Lab Closed	19	20 MAP - Ashland (WW)	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 NeRWA - Wahoo - Wastewater Course	28		
		DHHS DPH - Blair - Grades 1 & 2 Course				
		Total Backflow Resources - Lexington - Backflow Licensure Course				



Flooding in Farm Country  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce

**Nebraska DHHS, DPH  
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Rule Managers**

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Vacant - Volatile Organic Chemical (VOC), Radon, Radionuclide Rules, Inorganic Chemical (IOC), Arsenic and Asbestos, Lead and Copper and Nitrate Back-up; 402.471.1009

Mary Poe - Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rules (D/DBP), Ground Water Rule (GWR) and Unregulated Contaminant Rule (UCMR4), RTCR Back-up and SDWIS Back-up; 402.471.1003 / [mary.poe@nebraska.gov](mailto:mary.poe@nebraska.gov)

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**March 2019**

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		<hr/> <b>NeRWA - Wahoo - Wastewater Course</b> <hr/> <b>DHHS DPH - Blair - Grades 1 &amp; 2 Course</b> <hr/> <b>Total Backflow Resources - Lexington - Backflow Licensure Course</b> <hr/>					
3	4	5 LoNM / AWWA - Sidney (W)	6 LoNM / AWWA - North Platte (W) Region 12 ABPA - Kearney (BF)	7 LoNM / AWWA - McCook (W) NDEQ - Lincoln (WW test day) CCC - Norfolk (W)	8	9	
10	11	<hr/> <b>NeRWA - Kearney - Annual Conference</b> <hr/>			14	16	
17	18	19	20 MAP - Madison (WW)	21 MAP - Beatrice (WW)	22	23	
24	25	26 DHHS DPH - North Platte (PWS Reg Review)	27 DHHS DPH - North Platte - Grade 4 Course	28	29	30	
31			NeRWA - Crete (WW)				



Springtime on Norton Sound – Nome  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: Captain Budd Christman, NOAA Corps

### NEBRASKA RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION

The Nebraska Rural Water Association (NeRWA) is one of the affiliates of the National Rural Water Association (NRWA). NeRWA has been providing quality technical assistance and training to Nebraska's public water systems since 1978.

NeRWA is a service-oriented, educationally based, non-profit organization. The association provides Nebraska with a Wastewater Technician, Training Specialist, GIS/GPS Technician, two (2) USDA Water Circuit Riders and a Source Water Protection Specialist.

Two (2) conferences are held each year. The Annual Conference is scheduled in March and attracts over 500 attendees. This year it will be held at the Younes Conference Center in Kearney, Nebraska. The Fall Conference is scheduled in September in Gering, and has approximately 150 attendees.

The NeRWA Office is located in Wahoo, Nebraska. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm. For more information about the services, equipment and training that we provide, you may visit our website at <http://www.nerwa.org> or contact the office at:

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Wahoo, NE 68066  
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Email: [info@nerwa.org](mailto:info@nerwa.org)

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	1	2 <u>NeRWA - North Platte - Lagoon Course</u>	3	4 CCC - Kearney (BF)	5	6
7	8	9 NeRWA - Bridgeport (W) E. NE. ABPA - Lincoln (BF)	10 LoNM / AWWA - Lexington (W) NeRWA - Ogallala (WW)	11 LoNM / AWWA - Ord (W) NDEQ - North Platte (WW test day)	12	13 <u>NeRWA - Wahoo - Backflow Licensure Course</u>
14	15	16 NeRWA - Cairo (BF)	17	18 NeRWA - Wymore (BF)	19	20 <u>DHHS DPH - Grand Island - Grade 3 Course</u>
21	22	23	24 NeRWA - Wahoo (BF)	25	26 HOLIDAY State Lab Closed	27
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Three-inch Hailstones - Louisiana  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: W. Reeves

**Useful Websites:**

DHHS DPH Public Water Supply Program  
<http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/drinkingwater>

Look Up Water Operator License Information  
<http://www.nebraska.gov/LISSearch/search.cgi>

Nebraska Rural Water Association  
<http://www.nerwa.org>

Midwest Assistance Program  
<http://www.map-inc.org>

League of Nebraska Municipalities  
<http://www.lonm.org>

Nebraska Central Community College  
<http://www.cccneb.edu>

Nebraska Section American Water Works Association  
<http://www.awwaneb.org>

U.S. EPA; Office of Water  
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater>

The Groundwater Foundation  
<http://www.groundwater.org>

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality  
<http://www.deq.ne.gov>

Nebraska Department of Natural Resources  
<http://www.dnr.ne.gov>

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			1	2 NeRWA - Omaha (WW)	3	4
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12	13	14	15 AWWA/MAP - Ashland (W)	16	17	18
19	20	21 DHHS DPH - Beatrice (PWS Reg Review)	22 DHHS DPH - Beatrice - Grade 4 Course		23	24
25	26	27 HOLIDAY State Lab Closed	28	29	30	31



Lightning Storm over Boston  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: Boston Globe

### Central Community College

Central Community College (CCC) is a multi-campus community college serving a 25-county area in central Nebraska - approximately 14,000 square miles with a population of more than 280,000. Three main campuses are located in Columbus, Grand Island, and Hastings. Educational Centers are located in Holdrege, Kearney and Lexington. Central Community College's Training and Development division was established to respond to training needs of central Nebraska businesses. Training and Development provides educational, interactive and effective Leadership, Industrial Maintenance, and Environmental Health and Safety training. These customized workshops foster increased communication skills, improved processes and more effective teamwork.

As part of this function, training is provided to water and wastewater operators and is structured to meet the needs of current and new personnel. This training is comprised of workshops and classes of varying length at multiple locations across the state. CCC now offers on-line courses for water operators. Subject matter will cover a wide range of topics pertinent to operation and management.

For further information on the types and availability of training, please contact Sue Carlson at Central Community College (877) 222-0780 extension 7527 or (308) 398-7527. Or Click on Program, Courses and Workshops-Training and Development at <http://www.ccneb.edu>

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Dust Storm in Texas  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce

**Nebraska  
Public Water Supply Program  
Regulations  
Title 179  
Latest Revision Dates of Regulations**

NAC	
2-001	November 15, 2003
2-002	March 22, 2016
2-015	September 22, 1999
3	March 22, 2016
4	March 22, 2016
5	December 22, 2012
6	March 22, 2016
7	April 4, 2010
8	March 22, 2016
9	March 22, 2004
10	June 21, 2011
11	November 15, 2003
12	December 22, 2012
13	March 22, 2016
14	March 22, 2016
16	March 22, 2016
17	November 13, 2005
18	November 15, 2003
19	November 13, 2005
21	March 22, 2004
22	March 22, 2004
23	June 11, 2013
24	June 11, 2013
25	June 11, 2013
26	March 22, 2016

These regulations can be viewed at:  
<http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/drinkingwater>

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## Midwest Assistance Program

The Midwest Assistance Program, Inc., (MAP) provides technical assistance and training for water, wastewater, and solid waste operations to rural communities/systems. MAP's technical assistance services are delivered on-site upon the request, with the cooperation of the communities/systems.

Utilizing a capacity building process, skills are transferred from MAP professionals to community leaders to enable them to develop sound strategies for dealing with present problems and to prevent future ones, with a primary goal of operational, financial and managerial sustainment.

During the year, various workshops and training sessions are scheduled and upon request can be coordinated. Many of the trainings provide Continuing Education Units (CEU). You can visit our website to review scheduled training events: <http://www.map-inc.org/training.html>. Interested boards/systems should contact the following personnel to request a training event or technical assistance:

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Cody, NE 69211  
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Aurora Australia, the Southern Lights; Kangaroo Island, Australia  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
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18	19	20 LoNM / AWWA - Ogallala (BF)	21 LoNM / AWWA - Grand Island (BF) NeRWA - Wahoo (W)	22 NDEQ - Lincoln (WW test day) NeRWA - Wahoo (W & BF)	23	24
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25	26	27 LoNM / AWWA - Beatrice (BF) NeRWA - Duncan (WW)	28 LoNM / AWWA - Wayne (BF)	29	30	31



Twin Tornado Funnels in Indiana  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
Photographer: Mr. Paul Huffman

## Nebraska WARN

**NeWARN** is the water sector's (water/wastewater/stormwater) commitment to a "Utilities Helping Utilities In Time Of Need" concept. The primary purpose of **NeWARN** is to provide a formalized method whereby water/wastewater/stormwater utilities may obtain assistance from other water/wastewater/stormwater utilities. The objective of **NeWARN** is to provide rapid, short-term deployment of emergency services to restore the critical operations of an affected water/wastewater/stormwater utility.

At the core of **NeWARN** is a pre-established agreement by which a network of utilities can complement and enhance local capabilities to prepare for and respond to a broad range of threats, both natural and man-made. The establishment of such interstate and intrastate mutual aid and assistance networks such as **NeWARN** is a core principle of the National Preparedness Goal developed by the Department of Homeland Security.

It is essential that all partners in the water/wastewater/stormwater community work together to support **NeWARN**. We encourage all Water Utilities/Agencies, private and public, to discuss this concept with peers and consider the benefits of participating in **NeWARN**. Visit <http://www.newarn.org> for a list of current **NeWARN** Board Members and member utilities.



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Waterspout off the Florida Keys  
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## Nebraska Section American Water Works Association

Founded in 1881, the American Water Works Association (AWWA) is an international nonprofit scientific and educational society dedicated to the improvement of water quality and supply. AWWA is the largest organization of water supply professionals in the world. With more than 50,000 members, it represents the full spectrum of the water community who hold genuine interest in water supply and public health.

AWWA is comprised of 43 sections of which the Nebraska Section (NSAWWA) is one. Each section functions under the provisions of its own bylaws and selects its own officers. At the NSAWWA Joint Fall Conference each year, papers are presented, information and ideas are exchanged, committees are convened, and products are exhibited. NSAWWA provides sponsorship for a variety of water operator training activities, and partners with other organizations for the purpose of improving water and utility operations, management and design.

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Katrina Aftermath  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
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**ACTIONS REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF REPEAT COLIFORM SAMPLING**

TC+ = Total coliform-positive or present; TC- = Total coliform-negative or absent  
EC+ = E. coli-positive or present; EC- = E. coli-negative or absent

If Routine Sample Is	And	Any Repeat Sample Is:	Action: What do your sample results mean?	Violation
TC+ EC-	&	TC+ EC-	The presence of total coliform bacteria in both the original routine sample and in the follow-up repeat sample suggests there could be a problem and the water may not be safe to use. 1. Conduct a Level 1 or Level 2 assessment. The Department will tell the system which type of assessment is required.	No MCL violation
TC+ EC-	&	TC+ EC+	The presence of E. coli bacteria in the system's water is an indicator of fecal contamination and your water may not be safe to use. The Department will consult with the system. 1. Issue a Public Notice (PN) within 24 hours. 2. Conduct a Level 2 assessment within 30 days	E. coli MCL violation*
TC+ EC-	&	Any or all repeat samples missing	The presence of total coliform bacteria in the original routine sample suggests there could be a problem, and because repeat samples were not tested, it is unknown whether or not the water is safe to use. 1. Conduct a Level 1 or Level 2 assessment.	No MCL violation
TC+ EC+	&	TC+	The presence of E. coli bacteria in the water is an indicator of fecal contamination and the water may not be safe to use. The Department will consult with the system. 1. Issue a PN within 24 hours. 2. Conduct a Level 2 assessment within 30 days	E. coli MCL violation*
TC+ EC+	&	Any or all repeat samples missing	The presence of E. coli bacteria in the water is an indicator of fecal contamination and the water may not be safe to use. The Department will consult with the system. 1. Issue a PN within 24 hours 2. Conduct a Level 2 assessment within 30 days	E. coli MCL violation*

**NOTE**

\* A system is required to provide Tier 1 public notice within 24 hours of the Department's notification and consultation in response to an E. coli MCL violation.

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Aerial View of Midway Island  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
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## LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES UTILITIES SECTION

An association devoted specifically to the efficient operation of municipal utilities across Nebraska.

This organization's proud and prosperous legacy of over 75 years is renowned for its strong, active representation on public works issues at the Nebraska State Legislature, United States Congress and the state and federal agencies such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.), the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

The Utilities Section is an information clearing house on water, wastewater, electric, natural gas, streets, and solid waste management issues. Utilities Section members have access to one of the largest libraries of safety, utilities and public works video tapes, slides and publications in the state of Nebraska. The Utilities Section sponsors and/or co-sponsors some 60 training and educational meetings, workshops, and conferences with the state and several state associations. The Utilities Section is Nebraska's only organization which actively represents all municipal utilities and public works at the legislative and administrative levels.

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Storm Surge from Hurricane Carol National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
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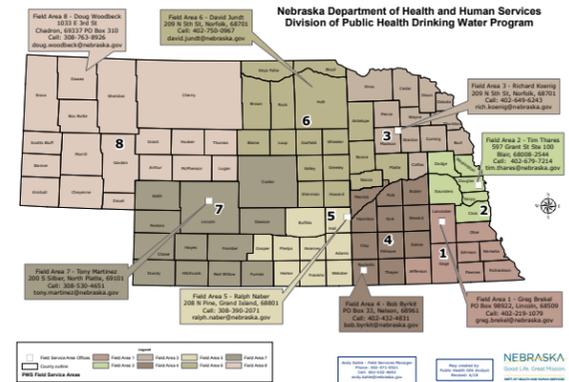
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Snow Squall About to Touch Down on Kodiak Island National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce  
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**DHHS DPB** – Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
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(402) 570-6690  
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**LoNM** – League of Nebraska Municipalities  
(402) 476-2829  
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**MAP** – Midwest Assistance Program  
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Check the MAP Website <http://www.map-inc.org> for additional information on available training classes.

**NDEQ** – Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality  
For a current update of wastewater training and exam opportunities, contact Mike McBride at (402) 471-4244 or by e-mail at: [mike.mcbride@nebraska.gov](mailto:mike.mcbride@nebraska.gov). You may also check the NDEQ Website <http://deg.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/OnWeb/WTFQCT> for information on training classes and test dates.

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(402) 533-1676  
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Check the TBR Website  
<http://www.totalbackflow.com> for current information and class registration.

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**On the reverse side of this Contact Information Sheet is an Insert Listing for training events scheduled for 2019.**

# Training Planned for Nebraska in 2019

## January

8 **NeRWA** – Neligh (wastewater)  
9 **LoNM/AWWA** – South Sioux City (water)  
10 **CCC** – Grand Island (backflow)  
10 **LoNM/AWWA** – West Point (water)  
14 – 18 **NeRWA** – Grade 6 Course – Wahoo  
14 – 18 **TBR** – Grade 6 Course – Grand Island  
16 – 18 **LoNM** – Utilities Section Conference – Lincoln  
17 **TBR** – Grand Island (backflow; concurrent with the course)  
22 **LoNM/AWWA** – Kearney (water)  
23 – 24 **LoNM/NWOD** – Snowball Wastewater Conference – Kearney  
23 **NeRWA** – Gordon (backflow)  
24 **NeRWA** – Bridgeport (backflow)

## February

4 – 6 **NWEA** – Wastewater Course – Hastings  
5 **NeRWA** – Nebraska City (backflow)  
5 **LoNM/AWWA** – Norfolk (water)  
6 **LoNM/AWWA** – Blair (water)  
7 **MAP** – Crofton (wastewater)  
7 **LoNM/AWWA** – Beatrice (water)  
7 **NeRWA** – Stanton (backflow)  
7 **NDEQ** – Hastings (wastewater test day)  
12 **DHHS DPH** – Norfolk (PWS Reg Review)  
13 – 14 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – Norfolk  
13 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (wastewater)  
20 **MAP** – Ashland (wastewater)  
25 – March 1 **TBR** – Grade 6 Course – Lexington  
25 – March 1 **DHHS DPH** – Grades 1&2 Course – Blair  
26 – March 1 **NeRWA** – Wastewater Course – Wahoo  
28 **TBR** – Lexington (backflow; concurrent with the course)

## March

5 **LoNM/AWWA** – Sidney (water)  
6 **LoNM/AWWA** – North Platte (water)  
6 **Region 12 ABPA Conference** – Kearney (backflow)  
7 **LoNM/AWWA** – McCook (water)  
7 **CCC** – Norfolk (water)  
7 **NDEQ** – Lincoln (wastewater test day)  
11 – 13 **NeRWA** – Conference – Kearney (water, wastewater, backflow)  
20 **MAP** – Madison (wastewater)  
21 **MAP** – Beatrice (wastewater)  
26 **DHHS DPH** – North Platte (PWS Reg Review)  
27 – 28 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – North Platte  
27 **NeRWA** – Crete (wastewater)

## April

2 – 3 **NeRWA** – Lagoon Course – North Platte  
4 **CCC** – Kearney (backflow)  
8 – 12 **NeRWA** – Grade 6 Course – Wahoo  
9 **NeRWA** – Bridgeport (water)  
9 **E. NE ABPA** – Lincoln (backflow)  
10 **NeRWA** – Ogallala (wastewater)  
10 **LoNM/AWWA** – Lexington (water)  
11 **LoNM/AWWA** – Ord (water)  
11 **NDEQ** – North Platte (wastewater test day)  
15 – 19 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 3 Course – Grand Island  
16 **NeRWA** – Cairo (backflow)  
17 – 18 **NWEA** – Great Plains Conference – LaVista (WW)  
18 **NeRWA** – Wymore (backflow)  
24 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (backflow)

## May

2 **NeRWA** – Omaha (wastewater)  
7 **NeRWA** – Emerson (water)  
8 **NeRWA** – Valentine (backflow)  
9 **NWEA** – Columbus (wastewater)  
15 **AWWA/MAP** – Ashland (water)  
21 **DHHS DPH** – Beatrice (PWS Reg Review)  
22 – 23 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – Beatrice

## June

12 **NeRWA** – Sutton (water)  
13 **NDEQ** – Lincoln (wastewater test day)  
19 **NeRWA** – Chadron (wastewater)

## July

9 **NeRWA** – Chadron (water)  
11 **CCC** – Columbus (water)  
11 **LoNM/AWWA** – Sutherland (water)  
16 **DHHS DPH** – Scottsbluff (PWS Reg Review)  
17 – 18 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – Scottsbluff  
17 **NeRWA** – Lindsay (wastewater)  
18 – 19 **NWOD** – Heartland Wastewater Conference – Kearney  
19 **NDEQ** – Kearney (wastewater test day)

## August

1 **CCC** – Grand Island (water)  
6 **NeRWA** – Atkinson (water)  
12 – 16 **DHHS DPH** – Grades 1&2 Course – Grand Island  
13 – 16 **NeRWA** – Wastewater Course – Wahoo  
19 – 21 **NWEA** – Wastewater Course – Lincoln  
20 **LoNM/AWWA** – Ogallala (backflow)  
21 **LoNM/AWWA** – Grand Island (backflow)  
21 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (trenching)  
22 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (confined space)  
22 **NDEQ** – Lincoln (wastewater test day)  
27 **NeRWA** – Duncan (wastewater)  
27 **LoNM/AWWA** – Beatrice (backflow)  
28 **LoNM/AWWA** – Wayne (backflow)

## September

4 **NeRWA** – McCool Junction (backflow)  
4 **DHHS DPH** – Fremont (PWS Reg Review)  
5 **NeRWA** – Aurora (wastewater)  
5 – 6 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – Fremont  
5 **NeRWA** – Ord (backflow)  
12 **NWEA** – Omaha (wastewater)  
24 **NeRWA** – Preconference – Gering (water)  
25 – 26 **NeRWA** – Western Conference – Gering (water, wastewater, backflow)

## October

1 **LoNM/AWWA** – Fremont (water)  
2 **LoNM/AWWA** – Plattsmouth (water)  
2 **NeRWA** – Omaha (wastewater)  
3 **CCC** – Columbus (backflow)  
3 **LoNM/AWWA** – Seward (water)  
7 – 11 **NeRWA** – Grade 6 Course – Wahoo  
7 – 11 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 3 Course – Beatrice  
8 **E. NE ABPA** – Bellevue (backflow)  
14 – 16 **NWEA** – Wastewater Course – Norfolk  
15 – 16 **NeRWA** – Lagoon Course – Wahoo  
17 **NDEQ** – Norfolk (wastewater test day)  
17 **NeRWA** – McCook (water)  
22 **NeRWA** – South Sioux City (backflow)  
23 **CCC** – Gretna (backflow)  
23 **DHHS DPH** – Kearney (Fluoride School)  
24 **NeRWA** – O'Neill (backflow)  
24 **LoNM/AWWA** – Tecumseh (water)

## November

5 **NeRWA** – Minden (water)  
5 – 8 **NeRWA** – Wastewater Course – Wahoo  
5 **AWWA Preconference** – Kearney  
6 – 8 **AWWA Joint Conference** – Kearney  
12 **NeRWA** – Mitchell (wastewater)  
13 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (backflow)  
14 **NDEQ** – Lincoln (wastewater test day)

## December

3 **NeRWA** – Pawnee City (water)  
3 **DHHS DPH** – Grand Island (PWS Reg Review)  
4 – 5 **DHHS DPH** – Grade 4 Course – Grand Island  
5 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (wastewater)  
5 **NDEQ** – Lincoln (wastewater test day)  
10 **NeRWA** – Mitchell (backflow)  
10 **LoNM/AWWA** – Grand Island (water)  
11 **LoNM/AWWA** – Lincoln (water)  
11 **NeRWA** – Ogallala (backflow)  
12 **NeRWA** – Cambridge (backflow)  
12 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (water)  
12 **MAP** – Chadron (wastewater)  
18 **NeRWA** – Wahoo (backflow)  
19 **MAP** – Gretna (backflow)

## January 2020

13 – 17 **NeRWA** – Grade 6 Course – Wahoo  
15 – 17 **LoNM** – Utilities Section Conference – Lincoln  
22 – 23 **LoNM/NWOD** – Snowball Wastewater Conference – Kearney  
22 **NeRWA** – Chadron (backflow)  
23 **NeRWA** – Sidney (backflow)