Residuals & Biosolids Committee

Mission Statement

The Residuals and Biosolids Committee (RBC) shall develop, recommend, and assist in conducting programs to provide information regarding management options, regulatory compliance and current practices for residuals and biosolids.

Organizational Structure

There are currently four subcommittees of the committee, as noted below:

- Bioenergy Technology Subcommittee
- Outreach and Education Subcommittee
- Agricultural and Industrial Residuals Subcommittee
- Specialty Conference Subcommittee

Other residuals and biosolids resources available to RBC and WEF members include:

- Biosolids Access Water Knowledge Channel on www.wef.org
- NBP e-newsletter on www.biosolids.org
- RBC LISTSERV communication tool for its members
- Support for National Biosolids Partnership (NBP) program support
- Annual Residuals and Biosolids Specialty Conference

Interested in joining the Residuals and Biosolids Committee? For more information visit www.wef.org or contact:

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RBC Subcommittees and Activities

Specialty Conference Subcommittee *Greg Woodward, Chair (2006-13), Jeff LeBlanc, Vice-Chair (2010-13)*
The primary function of this Subcommittee is to assist staff planning and implementation of the annual Residuals Management Conference, including the review of conference abstracts and pre-conference workshops and overall specialty conference program development. This specialty conference is one of the most well-attended WEF specialty conferences.

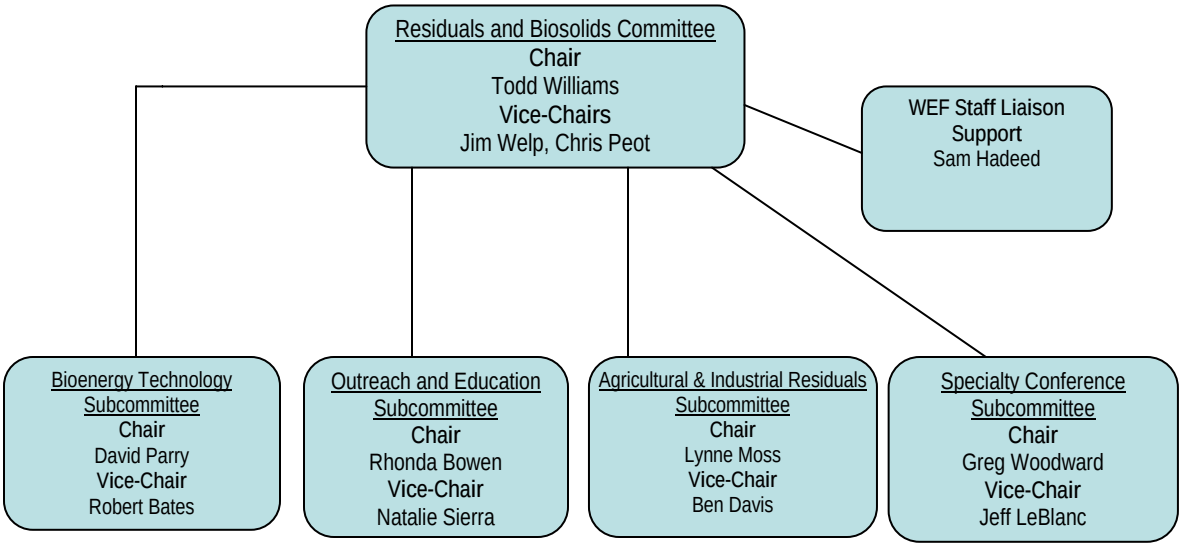
Bioenergy Technology Subcommittee *David Parry, Chair (2009-12), Robert Bates, Vice-Chair (2010-13)*
The Bioenergy Technology Subcommittee promotes biosolids and energy technologies associated with municipal, agricultural, and industrial wastewater residuals for the protection of the environment. A Carbon Task Force (Patricia Scanlan, Chair) and Biofuels Work Group (Nate Turner, Chair) are part of the Subcommittee.

Outreach and Education Subcommittee *Rhonda Bowen, Chair (2008-11), Natalie Sierra, Vice-Chair (2008-11)*
The Subcommittee develops and promotes practices and policies that assist WEF members in serving the public interest by providing efficient and environmentally protective residuals and biosolids management services, delivers high-quality products and services to members and stakeholders, promotes scientifically sound residuals and biosolids environmental practices and regulation, educate members, the public, and policy makers, and promotes and advance the water quality profession.

Agricultural & Industrial Residuals Subcommittee *Lynne Moss, Chair (2009-12), Ben Davis, Vice-Chair (2009-12)*
The Subcommittee promotes the beneficial reuse of Animal, Municipal, and Industrial residuals through scientific and environmentally sound management, promote mutually beneficial relationships between agricultural, industrial, and municipal residuals generators to solve common problems without increased use of resources, and promote cooperation between government agencies, associations, corporations and the public to improve professional education and the management of agricultural, industrial, and municipal residuals.

RBC Activities

SPECIFIC RECENT AND ON-GOING ACTIVITIES:

The Committee and its four subcommittees meet twice during the year at the Annual RBC Specialty Conference in Spring and WEFTEC in October. The Committee and its subcommittees routinely post meeting agendas and minutes prior to these meetings. Regular communication among the members existed via the RBC LISTSERV and on the Biosolids Access Water Knowledge channel on www.wef.org. The RBC Leadership Team holds monthly conference calls to discuss committee activities, updates, and plan future activities.

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