

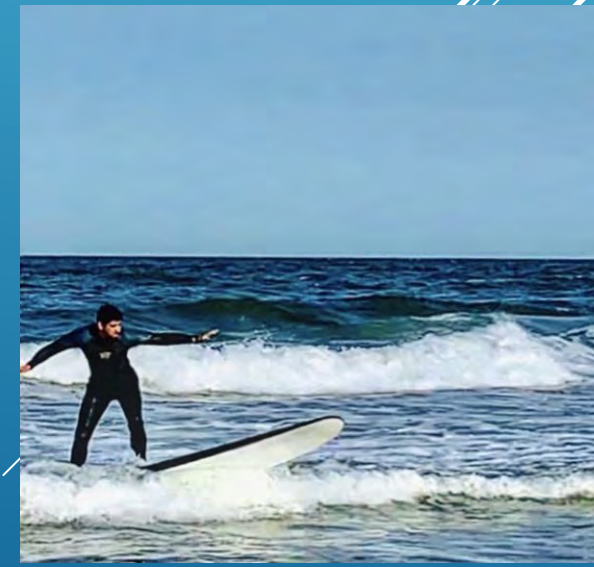
WLI22 – Welcome Directory

ABHIRAM SATYADEV

Hello! My name is Abhiram Satyadev. I also go by Ram. I am a Program Manager at DC Water since the last 4 years. I graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Environmental Engineering from SJCE College in India, a Masters Degree in Environmental Engineering from Drexel University, and an MBA from Goldey-Beacom College. I am a Standard Certified Project Manager (**Stanford University**).

My interests outside of work include scuba diving, surfing, and riding a motorcycle. I am a certified advanced scuba diver. I am currently learning to play the Saxophone.

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By day, building a team of cross-sector water leaders at Current, Chicago's water innovation hub. I've spent the last 15 years working inside foundations, think tanks, and consultancies and alongside public sector leaders working to build more inclusive and resilient cities. Public policy & Latin American studies by training and a lifelong learner.

Ask me about:

- Recreating on Chicago's Great Lake and Rivers (canoeing, sailing, swimming, birdwatching, water quality monitoring, etc.)
- My dual citizenship
- Life in my as-yet-unrenovated Victorian home (yes, we have a lead service line!)

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I am very excited to be participating in the **Water Leadership Institute!**

ALEXIE KINDRICK

Hello, I'm Alexie Kindrick! I am a Professional Environmental Engineer and Senior Project Manager at Tetra Tech in Tulsa, OK, specializing in municipal water and wastewater. I have a bachelor's degree in Chemistry from the College of the Holy Cross, and a master's in Environmental Engineering from Oklahoma State University.

Within WEF, I am the co-vice-chair for the Government Affairs Committee, as well as the Oklahoma WEA representative in the House of Delegates. Within the HOD, I am the vice-chair of the budget committee and chair of the Federal Advocacy Workgroup.

My husband and I have been married for 10 years and have three kids: Jack (7), Katie (4), and Ben (1). I spend my evenings and weekends as a baseball/softball mom and I love every second of it! I also love to read, travel, and always have a house project going on.



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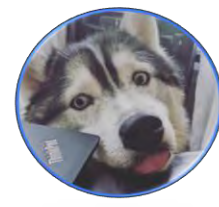
I'm technical leader who enjoys tackling difficult and complex problems. I work mostly in feasibility and front-end design, including process modeling, bench- and pilot-testing, data analysis, and guidance reports.

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- I also really like to cook, play ultimate frisbee and do e-sports cycling!



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- ▶ **About me:** I am a Civil Engineer, and I have worked in the Midwest for my entire career. I have two daughters and three dogs! I am obsessed with all things pop culture and celebrities, so if you need to know any completely useless celebrity knowledge, I am your girl! 😊





- San Diego, CA
- Graduate Student Researcher studying SARS-CoV-2 in Natural Waters and Wastewater
- I love puzzles, patterns, math, and science. I thought chemical engineering was a good route for me, but senior year I worked on an arsenic removal water filtration project that shifted my track. I am now a researcher for 2 labs at my university. I interned at WEF to help plan InFLOW program last year. My next steps are looking for a PhD program! I love exploring; every Tuesday I go to a new restaurant or hike in San Diego. I grew up in South Texas, so every now and then I get to visit my family....they have the BEST tacos!

ALMA ROCHA

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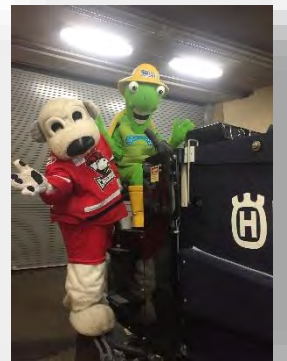
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Alyssa Dodd



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- ◁ **Short Bio:**
 - Joined Charlotte Storm Water Services in 2014 as a Senior Public Information Specialist, serving for the past 3 years as Communication Team Manager (a.k.a. Public Service Coordinator)
 - Earned a B.S. in Environmental Resources Management + Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics from Penn State and a M.S. in Community Development & Applied Economics from the University of Vermont
- ◁ **Interesting things:**
 - Rode on ice resurfacing machine as Stormy the Turtle at a CLT Checkers game
 - Knight Cities Challenge Winner - Take10CLT empowered 150 city employees to take 10 minutes per week to engage one person in conversation about how we can make our city better; We had 2,487 conversations!
 - Vegetarian for 20+ years; And a terrible cook 😊





I graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) in 2013 (GO RAMS!) with my Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies and a minor in Biology and I started with HRSD that fall! I started out as a WQ assistant in the P3 division and have worked in both the field sampling and inspector roles of Pretreatment. I currently oversee the field staff in our Newport News office and continue my inspector duties over multiple facilities.

I'm a wife and mom to an almost three-year-old little girl named Elizabeth! She keeps us busy! We also have a fur baby named Loki who is a mixed breed terrier!

Prior to working at HRSD, I used to work and volunteer at the VA Aquarium in VA Beach where I was an educator on the dolphin watching tours. Best summer job ever!

I'm also a big Harry Potter nerd and traveled all the way to London to see The Cursed Child play!



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I have been attending Weftec since 2018 and prior to starting at Jacobs (Nov 2021) worked at Arcadis for 7 years. My career has been focused on Early Careers Recruiting, which I love because I am able to create relationships with students and watch them grow into impressive young professionals.

3 Fun Facts:

- I have a degree in Criminal Justice
- I lived in Colorado prior to moving to Michigan
- I have two fur babies—Blanka and Kali.

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Chris Tatum – He/Him/His

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Hello, my name is Chris Tatum, and I am currently a Maintenance Operator at the Duffin Creek WPCP in Pickering, Ontario, Canada and have been for the past 7 years.

Prior to that, I worked at a Drinking Water supply plant, in another division of the Regional Municipality of Durham.

I attended Durham College in 2012, and stayed actively involved with Volunteer positions within the School, as well as for local Conservation Authorities.

I grew up in the Walkerton area during the challenges in May of 2000, and this definitely played a role in my career choice.

During my spare time, its always nice to go camping, spend time with family and get outdoors. I have a very sports oriented family and that keeps us busy.



Claire Sheridan (she/her)

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Enthusiastic economic consultant with a passion for water in all its forms. Relatively new to the water sector, providing analysis in economic impact, triple bottom line and cost benefit, water market feasibility, natural resource valuation and affordability. Clients include nonprofits and water utilities across North America. Background in rural economic development, local government and community engagement.

BA, University of British Columbia & MS, Colorado State University.



Water-related fun facts:

- I love skiing frozen water, especially big line ski mountaineering!
- I'm learning to packraft after spending a week exploring Vishnu Temple area of the Grand Canyon by boat
- I regularly run out of water on big dumb bike tours where I overestimate my abilities and underestimate distances

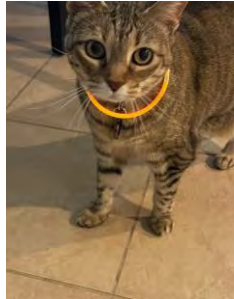
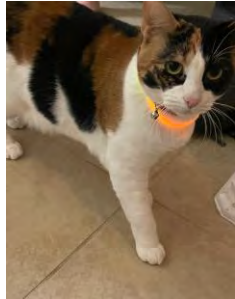
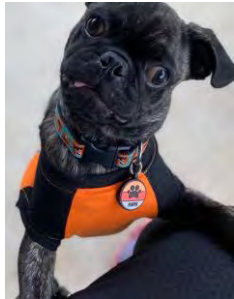
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I'm originally from Bolivia and have been in the USA since 2001. I currently live in Austin, Texas with my wife, 5 kids, and our adorable pets. I spend my free time working on cars. I am excited to be part of the 2022 Water Leadership Institute and I'm looking forward to meeting you all!



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- Bachelors in Electromechanical Engineering
- University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida
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Erin Sandos

Hello! My name is Erin and I am an Engineer for South Platte Renew, where I have been for the past 3 years after getting my masters degree from the University of Colorado, Boulder. While at CU, I had the opportunity to do research on alpine streams, which is when I fell in love with water quality!

Outside of work, I enjoy backpacking, fishing, and rafting with my husband and pup, Kylo (yes he is **named after Star Wars' Kylo Ren!**). **When the weather isn't quite as nice, I like to ski but am also totally happy to have a day binging Marvel movies.**



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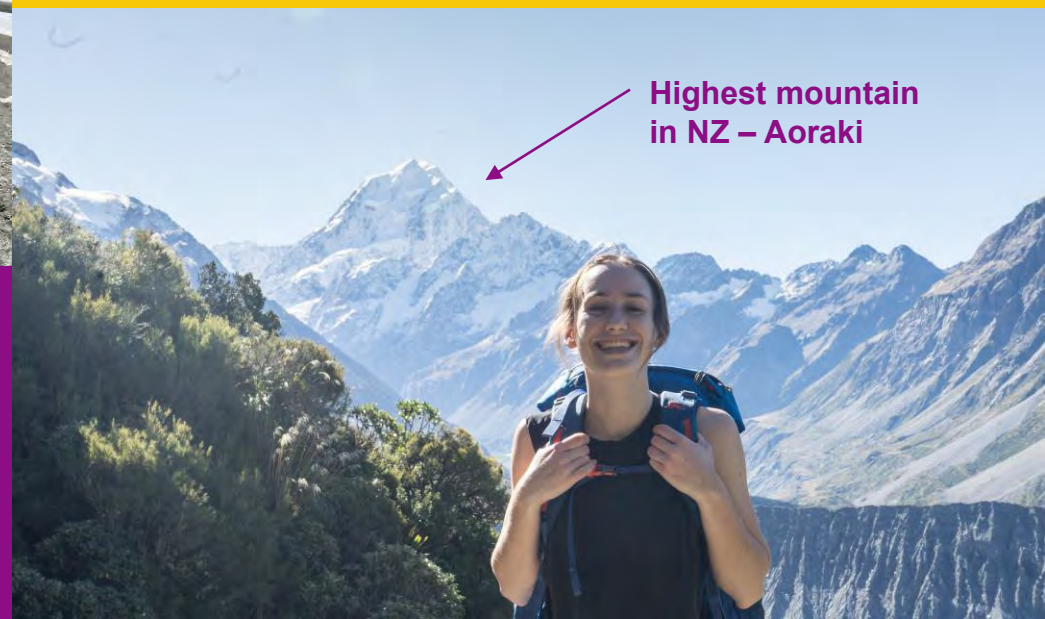
Process Engineer at Beca in Queenstown, New Zealand



I've been working as a water & wastewater design engineer for 4+ years, am passionate about sustainability in design and am involved in the the wastewater greenhouse gas emissions space.

I love biking, hiking and enjoying the New Zealand outdoors (I live in an amazing place!).

I'd love to travel or work in the US/Canada at some stage, so looking forward to meeting you all and making connections in the water industry over there!



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- First language was Russian even though I was born in Delaware, USA
- Set up and retrofit my basement to brew beer
- Love playing sand soccer & beach volleyball
- Hiking & fishing in Shenandoah is one of my favorite ways to unplug

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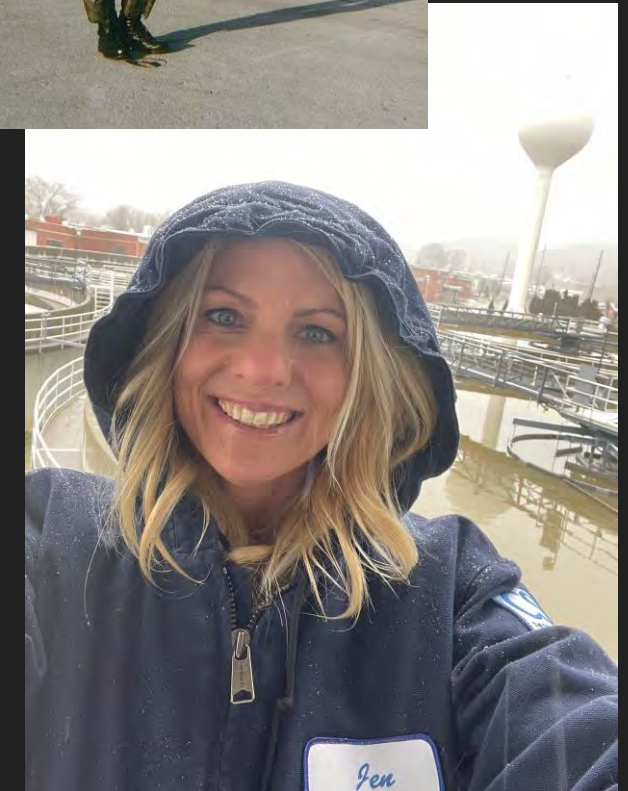
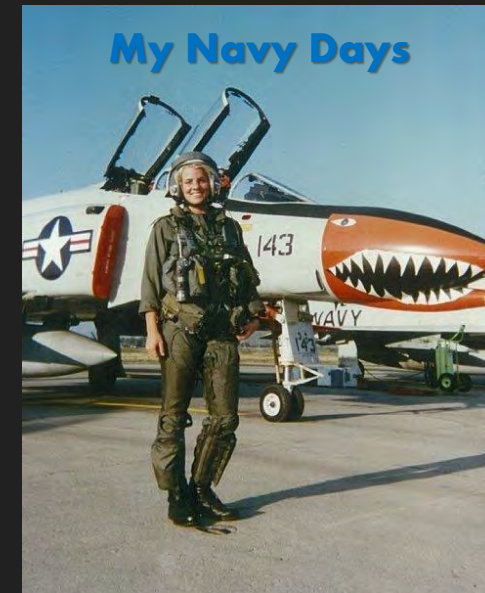
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Jenelle is committed to her personal growth, mental and physical health. She is a devoted mom to two incredible daughters. Jenelle enthusiastically shares her love affair with clean water and leadership with the universe. As a busy mom with a full-time career, she used her skills as an engineer to develop an efficient daily routines to maximize her time. She initially discovered her love of leadership during her four years at the United States Naval Academy while majoring in Ocean Engineering. She is currently a licensed professional engineer and project manager with over 25 years of experience. As an expert in water infrastructure, she actively manages multi-million-dollar projects designed to keep our waterways clean and our drinking water safe.



Johanna Malouff, PE (she/her/hers)

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- I've been with ABCWUA full-time since July 2021. Prior to that, I was an engineering consultant and a project manager for another municipality.
- I was an intern during my undergrad for the utility that I now work for full-time.
- I work in the Field Operations Division in the Wastewater Collection Section. Play our interactive sewer game on our website here: www.abcwua.org/keeping-elephants-out-of-sewers/ 
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My husband and I are from southern Colorado. We've lived in New Mexico for 10 years. We're jumping into the adventure of a major renovation on our 7th home in Bosque Farms, New Mexico.

I received my Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of New Mexico. Go Lobos!

I have three dogs: Coconut-Shih Tzu, Chuck-Shih Tzu, and Conner-Portuguese Water Dog.





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About me: I am a Civil Engineer. I was born and raised in Reno, NV and I'm the proud father of a 10-week-old boy. I'm passionate about water treatment and everything to do with the outdoors. My other hobbies include working on engines and disc golfing.





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I grew up in the northeast (CT) and studied environmental engineering at the University of New Hampshire for both my undergraduate and graduate degrees. Shortly after graduating, I moved across the country to Portland for an interesting piloting job in OR for Stantec.

In my spare time, you will usually find me outside hiking, backpacking or running up a mountain, or **you'll find me in the kitchen cooking or baking.** Unfortunately, my only pet is my sourdough.

My friend and I are training to circumnavigate Mount St. Helens (WA) in one day at the end of the summer (35 miles).

Katie Zheng, PE, PMP (Kay-ty Jung)

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I graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a master's degree in Environmental Engineering. I have eight years of experience with two consulting firms (HDR and AECOM) and a private utility in capital project planning, designing and rehabilitating water and wastewater treatment facilities. I am actively involved in WEAT and WEF committee work and serve as the co-chair of the WEAT Workforce Development Committee.

Three interesting things about me:

- Developed a green thumb and turned my house into a jungle.
- Amateur hairstylist for a Shih-Tzu, an orange cat, my husband, myself, and many plants.
- Proposed an Operator Springboard Program to the WEF in 2017 that turned into an Operator Apprenticeship Program in Texas in 2020.

Kimberly Worsham, MPA, MIWM



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- **Bio:** I am a water and sanitation specialist and hybrid professional (marketing, data, and education) with over a decade of experience. I founded social advisory company FLUSH in 2018. I discovered a passion for toilets early as a child, where my curiosity led inspecting the facilities of every restaurant I entered. Years later, I was reminded of that love while consulting in India and continued to follow my passion by working all over the place. With all kinds of clients, I focus on bringing business acumen to developing market-based systems. I also worked for international NGOs focused on providing safe drinking water; I was a founding board member of a local water organization, NYC H2O. In different lives, I worked in local government, corporate marketing, and even taught math in Rwanda.

I'm also a quirky ambivert with a lot love and admiration for animals (especially my rescue pup Chloe).
- **3 Interesting things:**
 - I've lived in 6 other countries. I've visited about 47 countries, too (but I may have lost count).
 - After volunteering as a youth on helping build houses for charity, I really like power drills.
 - I am a Reiki 2 practitioner.

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I have been with the City of Morro Bay for 5 years and was promoted to Lead Operator two years ago.

I am born and raised on the Central Coast of California and in my spare time, I love surfing and riding my motorcycle with friends. But my favorite time is participating in 4H with my wife Jessica and our two beautiful daughters Olivia (8) and Adelaide (5).





LAILA SUKKARIYYAH

M.A. International Development – American University

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Previous non-profit industries: chemicals, women business owners

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Ask me where I see myself in 5 years? No question... on the beach!

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From water monitoring, to education, to project management, my career has always been centered on water resources! Outside of work, my passions include habitat restoration, experiencing new cultures, hiking with my husband, and chilling with my cat, Marvin.

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Lita Laven, PE

I've been with NEORSD (District) for over 18 years and currently work in the wastewater-focused Planning Department. I also worked in the Watersheds Department to help launch the Regional Stormwater Management Program. Prior to the District, I worked for a consulting firm. I received my B.S. in Civil Engineering from The George Washington University.

I enjoy spending my free time outdoors running or hiking on local trails with our German Shepherd. In the winter, our family travels to Colorado to ski even though I tore my ACL 5 years ago and never had it repaired. I love to read but have found I have more time listening to audiobooks in the car. My favorite book is *The Color of Water*.

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Hiking, fly-fishing, skiing, snowboarding, anything in the mountains really, reading, running, cooking, gardening



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Maggie Siddle (she/hers)

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- I work weekends at a nature center teaching kids about animals and the environment.
- I was in AmeriCorps in rural Appalachian Virginia in 2016 – I taught kids about water.
- I have a black cat named George and he likes to be on camera :)
- I am a HUGE soccer fan #COYG



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What an exciting time to be involved in the water industry!

My foundation as a person, friend and professional is grown from a small, farm town in Central Kansas. There is where I learned that hard work pays off and I've tried to instill that work ethic in everything that I do. In my professional career, I'm currently a partner at McCarthy Building Companies with our Water Team. My name is Marcus Gilmore, and I'm thrilled to be a part of 2022 WLI. I enjoy spending my spare time with family and friends.

Hobbies/Interests

- All things outdoors – Hunting/Hiking/Exploring
- Competitive Golfer
- Bourbon connoisseur – Cheers!
- Sports Fan – Go Chiefs!

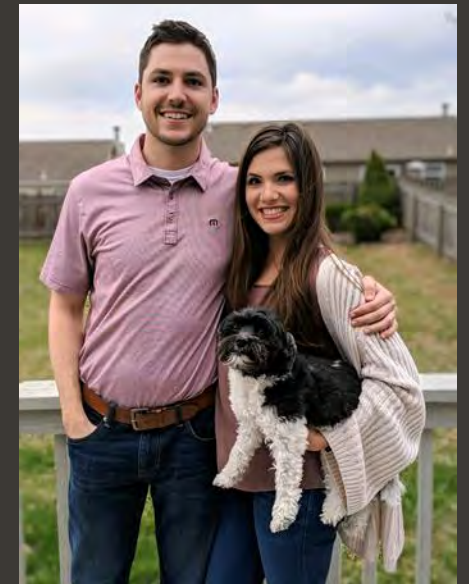


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- I moved to Chicago with my now wife, Emma, in 2020. We previously lived in Austin, TX for 5 years. I did my Masters at UT Austin and my Bachelors at Duke. I've worked in water since graduation in 2014. My hobbies are food/cooking and most every form of exercise. I look forward to pigging out in NOLA!
- Fun facts
 - I flew on Hooters Air as an unattended minor
 - My maternal grandma became a grandma at the age of 32
 - My life goal is to hike Kilimanjaro w/ the Waterboys Foundation
 - Despite being from PA, I say y'all unironically

Mark Loria (he/him)

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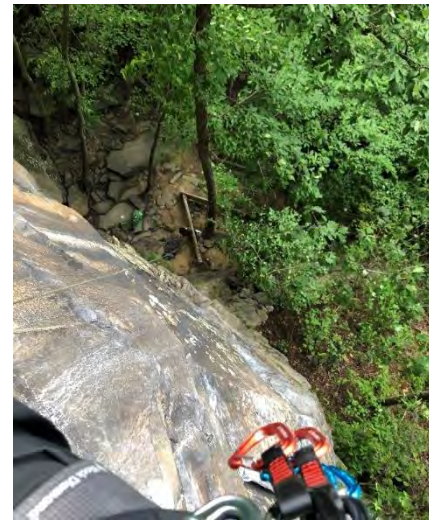


Family: Potato, Half Pint & Alana



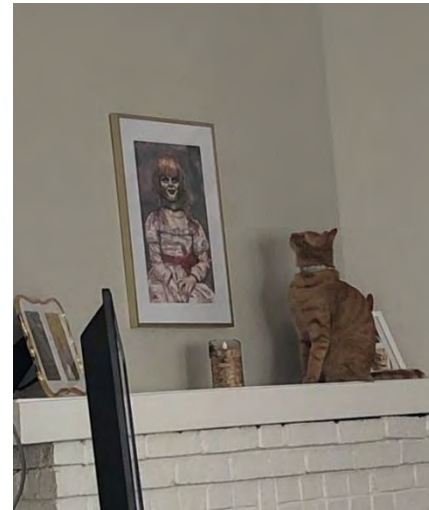
Hobbies:

Climbing



Hiking/Trail
Running

Horror Movies



Bio:

I grew up in Rochester, NY and moved to Cleveland, OH for graduate school to study algae. Now, I work for Stantec in Cleveland. My wife is a nurse at the Cleveland Clinic and we like to spend weekends in the Metroparks walking/birdwatching.

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Matt Castillo (he/him)

Hello! I currently work for MSA as a Project Manager in the water group, specializing in wastewater. Before MSA, I worked at Aqua-Aerobic Systems as an application engineer and R&D Specialist. I have a passion for education, and I completed my bachelor (2005) and master (2011) degrees at Marquette University. Go Golden Eagles!

My two boys, Levi (6) and Lewis (4), keep me and my wife Alicia busy! Cliffe, our Goldendoodle, is slowly becoming the veteran of the house and deserves more attention. I love spending time with them, while they mostly tolerate me haha! I spread my love for wastewater on Twitter and have a problematic obsession with golf.



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MATT REEVE (HE/HIM)

I've worked at SUEZ (formerly GE) since July 2013 and primarily focus on MABR technology and emerging technology combinations for process intensification. I grew up in Toronto and went to UBC for my bachelors in chemical engineering.

I love cycling on my gravel or mountain bikes, canoe tripping, hiking, and spending time in the outdoors. I spend a good chunk of time woodworking and on home improvement projects.

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Max Gangestad



I helped start Gross-Wen Technologies in 2016 while studying agricultural engineering at Iowa State University. My wife and I have two daughters, Bergen & Aurora.

We like to spend our free time outside, traveling and reading. My hobbies are golfing, cooking, traveling, and reading.

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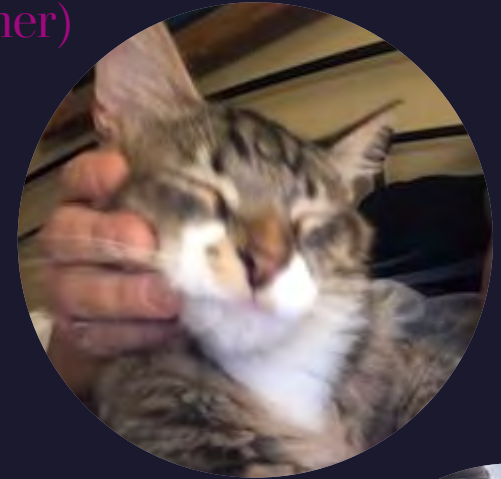
I am mom of two kids, Tabor and Finnley. We have 3 cats, 2 rats, 2 goats and 2 dogs. I am 40 years old with a BS in Environmental Earth Science with a concentration in hydrogeology.

I love my kids, I love my sister, I love my critter babies...

I love being outside, I love the ocean and lakes and rivers and rain....

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Originally from Bangalore, India

Enjoys Swimming, Painting & CrossFit

Obsessed with finding cooking recipes on TikTok



Paul A. Dumas



I've worked at WSSC Water since March 2006 at both our Water Filtration & Water Resource and Recovery Facilities. I'm a native Marylander from Prince George's County, where I married my High School Sweetheart and chose to raise our Family - My Pride & Joy. I'm a Veteran of the US Armed forces who loves to travel, play golf and occasionally catch nice fish! I also enjoy catching beautiful sunrises and sunsets and double rainbows after rain showers. Lastly, I've recently taken an interest in developing my carpentry skills by building a deck and patio as an addition to my residence.

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I grew up in India and moved to the United States to pursue Masters and PhD degrees in Civil and Environmental Engineering at Virginia Tech.

I have been working as a water/wastewater E.I.T. with HDR for about 2 years and worked with HRSD prior to that. My areas of expertise are drinking water treatment and water reuse.

I love hiking and like to be outdoors. I spend most of my free time with my 5-month old puppy, Maui, who loves playing fetch. I have been learning to play the violin and as much as I enjoy it, its not easy. I am looking forward to the summer so I can grow an herb garden.

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Most of my friends and colleagues call me Rick, and I am a military veteran. I hold a bachelors of Science (Biology) from Salem State College and have been in the wastewater field for 20 years. Beyond work, I am found spending time with my family boating, fishing, skiing, gardening, scouting, camping or hiking. Seams my life revolves around water and I love that everyday I do my part to ensure that others can enjoy it too.



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I have been with WSSC Water since July of 2015. I earned my bachelors and masters in Chemical Engineering from University of Maryland Baltimore County. Before joining the water industry, I designed power plants for 9 years with Bechtel Power.

My Hobbies include gardening, doing yoga, and spending time with friends and family. I have 2 little boys who keep me very busy!

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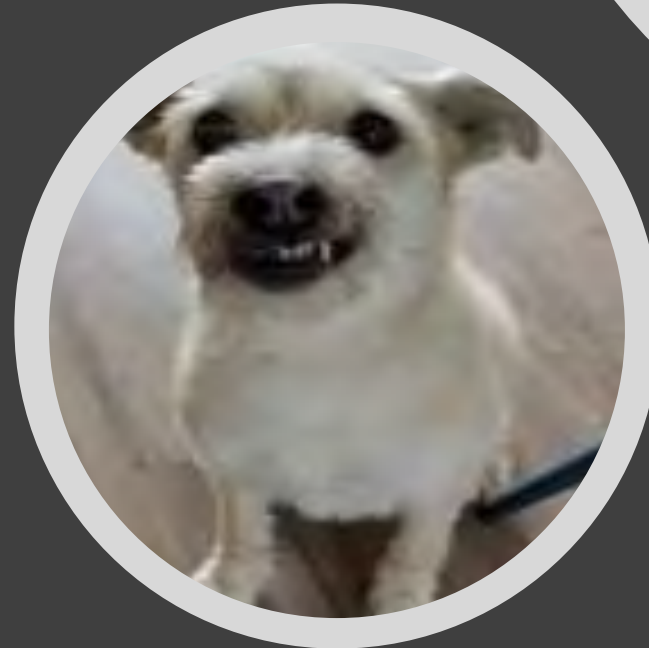
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- Sarah has spent 15+ years dedicated to the water and wastewater sector. Her experience involves water policy, serving as a former water and wastewater utility professional, and serving underserved utilities nationwide as a peer advisor.
- Sarah spent a decade at DC Water, one of the most leading and innovative utilities in the world. There she applied her skills in the areas of water quality, communications and eventually led the utility in driving strategic transformational change in the areas of operations, finance, and management.
- Sarah is a Prosci-certified Change Management Practitioner.

Sean Trainor



Growing up in Australia, I studied Chemical (Bioprocess) Engineering at the University of Sydney. Over the past decade or so I've lived and worked in Australia, Mongolia, Canada, and the US.

In April 2017, I moved from Calgary, AB, where I had been working for CH2M, to Milwaukee, WI to join Evoqua Water Technologies, primarily supporting their global wastewater and air quality businesses.

Outside of work, I love skiing, hiking and camping, and I strongly believe that life is better with good coffee. Prior to the pandemic I travelled regularly for both work and play. I am now extremely grateful for video conferencing technologies which make it easier to keep in touch with friends and family around the world.

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Spencer Adams

- Big move from Georgia to Oregon in 2021
- Free time? Reading, Woodworking
- Two truths and a lie:
 - Marching band in the Macy's Day Parade
 - Played in Carnegie Hall
 - Once performed on stage with Kenny Chesney
- Both a Drinking Water Treatment Operator and Professional Engineer
- Civil engineer; 11 years in the industry, both in consulting and public sector
- Active in AWWA but haven't been in WEF



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I started my career in the wastewater industry almost 6 years ago. I am a Washington State Group III Operator.

My family is Joell my partner, Henry my son 14, Jonica my daughter 9, and Dixie the dog whereas we all live in Everett Washington. We love the Pacific Northwest and spend much of our free time exploring the outdoors.

Much of my free time is used in volunteering as a Pack Master for Cub Scouts, People For Puget Sound, and coaching.

Picnic point Wastewater Treatment Facility

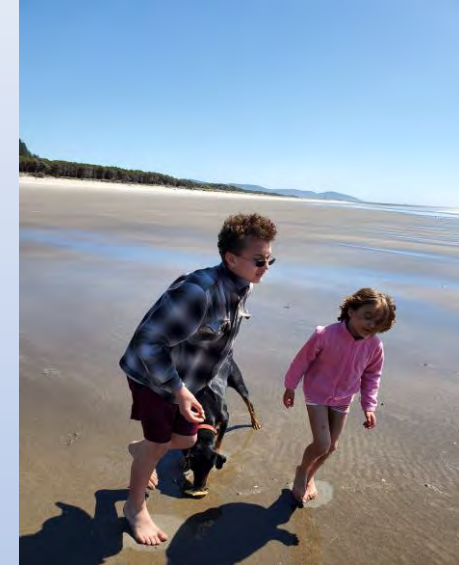
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About me:

- I'm Norw-exican (Norwegian + Mexican)
- I grew up in Albuquerque, New Mexico
- I have a BS from New Mexico State University and MS from Colorado School of Mines
- I love learning about microbes and wastewater treatment
- I enjoy running mountain trails, biking with friends, and traveling



Stephanie Soc Fuentes

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BIO

Hola a todos!

Currently, I am a student getting my masters/ Ph.D. in anaerobic digestors for biogas/biosolids from the University of the District of Columbia, specializing in production of hydrogen gas from co-digestors. I became involved with WEF through InFLOW (Introducing Future Leaders to Opportunities in Water). Through InFLOW, I was able to attend WEFTEC where I got to meet other students and groups within WEF. It was an amazing opportunity for a career-changer as myself.

I got my bachelors at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in chemical engineering for fuel cells, then went into corrosion engineering. I was not happy in my career then changed course into water. I do not regret my decision at all (Except maybe that I have a student salary again).

I am excited and honored to be part of the Water Leadership Institute of 2022 and hope to take/give back in what I learn.



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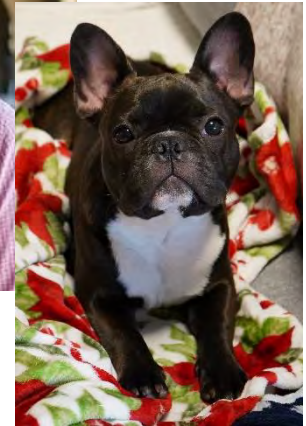
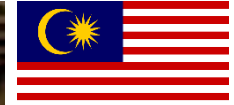
Interesting Facts about me!

1. I have two bunnies and four chickens
2. My Husband and I owe a construction company called Fuentes Contractors, LLC.
3. My 5 best friends are the same ones since elementary school.
4. I enjoy playing simulation/strategy games



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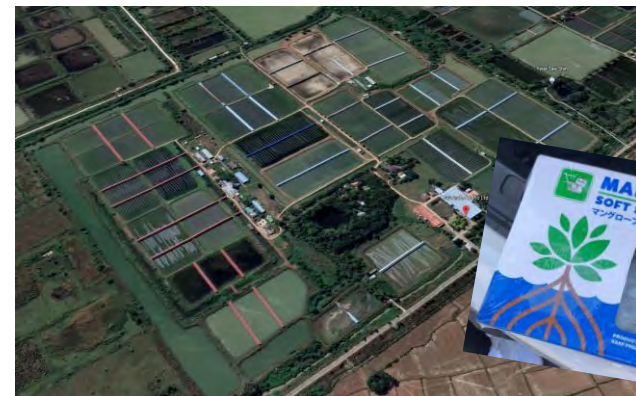
- Professional Engineer at Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. in Oakland, CA
- 5 years of experience in environmental consulting, with a focus in water/wastewater design, construction, and O&M.
- B.S. in Biosystems Engineering from University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- M.S. in Environmental Engineering from Stanford University
- Grew up in Malaysia and Myanmar until I was 18 and moved to the USA for further studies. I've been here ever since!
- Our family business is in soft-shell crabs. We own and operate several aquaculture farms throughout Myanmar. Which was what first got me interested in water!
- I have one dog, Hugo (2 years old)



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I have worked 15 years in the water industry in commissioning, process engineering and account management and had the opportunity to travel for work assignments.

Outside of work I enjoy gardening, weightlifting and being outdoors!

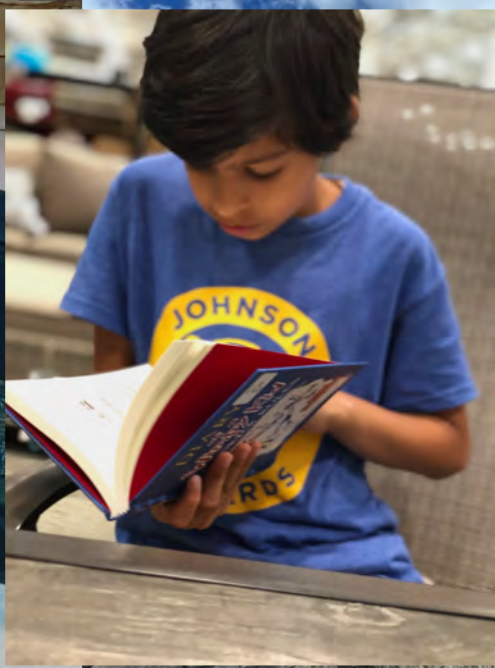


TONY SINGH

I am an environmental engineer & public health professional, currently working at the Office of Drinking Water (ODW) in Virginia. Before joining ODW in 2019, I shuttled coast to coast twice in the last 15 years.

In my free time I like to complete my “10,000 steps a day challenge”, read books, or watch interesting YouTube videos on ANYTHING and EVERYTHING

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I am a recent graduate of Rutgers University New Brunswick with a Bachelor's in Environmental Engineering. I am passionate about environmental justice and hope to one day go back to my home country of Kenya to assist in its sustainable development and progression towards water equity. I enjoy hiking, reading and running.

- I have experience working in drinking water, wastewater and stormwater projects. Include projects in lead service line replacement, CSO management and green infrastructure development as well as climate change related resiliency.
- I am multilingual in Swahili, Kikuyu and English.
- I am a WEF InFLOW alumni from the 2020 program.



Weston Haggen

I was born and raised in Florida. I went to the University of Central Florida for my B.S. and M.S. in Civil Engineering. I have been doing water/wastewater engineering for 13 years. I have been at Reiss Engineering, which was acquired by CHA Consulting, for the full time. I started in Orlando and then moved to Tampa.

My wife and I have two girls and a cat. We spend most of our free time taking care of the girls, but try to travel and hang out with family as much as possible

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