WEAT-NTS Newsletter July 2025



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North Texas Section



Leadership Message

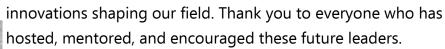
Message from the President

Dear WEAT-NTS Members,

As we move through the heart of summer, I want to take a moment to reflect on the strength and spirit of our community. The recent flooding in the Kerr area has reminded us of the power of water and the importance of our work. As our systems and communities continue their recovery efforts in response to the recent central Texas flooding, WEAT-NTS has made the decision to provide a donation to the Kerr County flooding relief efforts. https://cftexashillcountry.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=4201.

June brought us together for our lunch section meeting at Texas Star, where we celebrated the legacy of the Daryl Hall Scholarship and welcomed new officers to the WEAT-NTS Executive Committee. WEAT Executive Director, Julie Nahrgang, joined our section June 26th to provide an update on the latest water policy developments from the Texas Legislative Session.

We also launched our **Intern Punch Card** initiative, part of our strategic push to engage the next generation of water professionals. Interns who attend meetings and site visits earn entries into a raffle for WEAT swag, and more importantly, gain exposure to the real-world challenges and







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Speaking of site visits, our recent tours have been a hit! From the NTMWD Panther's Creek Site Visit early June to the upcoming Village Creek WRF visit next week, these experiences continue to bridge the gap between theory and practice. If you haven't yet joined one, I encourage you to do so—there's no better way to learn than by seeing our water family in action.

Finally, July's **Operator Panel Dinner Meeting** was a standout event. With the theme "We know a thing or two, because we've seen a thing or two," our panelists shared firsthand accounts of navigating peak flows, pipe breaks, and power outages. Their stories were raw, real, and deeply educational. Thank you to our speakers and attendees for making it a night to remember.

As always, I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve as your President. Let's keep the momentum going—supporting each other, growing our section, and advancing clean water for Texas.

With appreciation,

Paula Monaco
President, WEAT-NTS

Paula Monaco



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Receive newsletters, organization announcements, and other relevant information by e-mail.

Text WEATNTS to 22828 to get started!



Donation to Kerr Co Flood Relief

Donate Here:





Kerrville, Center Point and Comfort.

Kerr County Flood Relief Fund

The Kerr County Flood Relief Fund supports urgent relief and long-term rebuilding after the devastating floods of July 4, 2025. Your generosity helps neighbors across our region recover and rebuild.

The Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country—a 501(c)(3) public charity based in Kerrville—will directly distribute funds to vetted local organizations providing rescue, relief, recovery services and flood assistance. The Fund will support impacted communities including Boerne, Hunt, Ingram,

All donations are tax-deductible, and you will receive a receipt for your gift.

Grants from the Fund will support nonprofit and civic organizations actively involved in response, relief, and recovery efforts. While we are unable to award grants directly to individuals or families - or to fund repairs to private property or replace personal belongings - we are committed to channeling resources to the trusted organizations working tirelessly to help our neighbors in need. Together, we can make a meaningful difference during this challenging time.

Donations can also be mailed to our office at 241 Earl Garrett Street, Kerrville, Texas 78028.

Please make checks to the Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country w/Kerr County Flood Relief Fund in the memo line.

WEAT-NTS & WEF Events

Date	Event	Location
7/29/25	YP Summer Plant Tour at VCWRF	Village Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant 4500 Wilma Lane Arlington, Tx 76012
8/5/25	YP Rangers Game	Globe Life Field 734 Stadium Dr Arlington, Tx 76011
9/5/25	Daryl Hall Golf Tournament	Bear Creek Golf Club 3500 Bear Creek Ct Dallas, Tx 75261
10/10/25	OPStoberfest	St Jude Event Center 2625 S Cooper Street Arlington, Tx 76015

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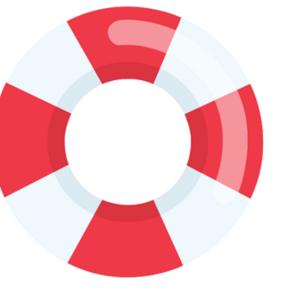


Interested in joining one of our growing committees?

- Website
- Communication
- Photography
- Professional Wastewater Operators
 Committee
- Awards Committee

If interested in joining one of the above, please reach out to Paula Monaco (pmonaco@Plummer.com) and Blayne Johnson (johnsonbj@trinityra.org)





JOIN WEAT-NTS

PUNCH CAR

ATTENTION INTERNS!





JUNE LUNCH MEETING (6/26)



JULY DINNER MEETING (7/17)



PLANT TOUR - PANTHER CREEK (6/5) OR





BASEBALL GAME (8/5)

INTERN PUNCH CARD:









WEAT North Texas Section Intern Attendance Raffle





Shotgun Start at 7:30 AM NEW LOCATION! Bear Creek Golf Club

3500 Bear Creek Ct, Dallas, TX 75261



22nd Annual

Benefiting the WEAT-NTS Daryl Hall Scholarship Fund

TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

See Following Page for Sponsorship Opportunities

Extras

Up your chances of winning with these tickets!

Note that some are per-player, and some are good for the whole team.

Putting contest entry (\$10/player)

Participate in the putting contest qualifier round.

Split the Pot (\$10/player)

A circle will be marked around the hole on a Par 3. Use this ticket to be entered into a drawing for 50% of the money raised on that hole if your tee shot lands in the circle.

Greens for golf balls (\$5/player)

A circle will be marked around the hole on a Par 3, use this ticket to be entered into a drawing for a box of golf balls if your tee shot lands in the circle, or just a sleeve of golf balls for making it on the green.

Lady's tee box (\$20/player)

Allows a player to tee off from the lady's tee box.

Texas Tee Shot #1 (\$20/team)

Turn a Par 5 into Par 3 distance for your team.

Texas Tee Shot #2 (\$20/team)

Turn a Par 5 into Par 3 distance for your team.

CrapShoot (\$20/team)

Your team tees off while seated on a toilet and then take your first official shot from your best ball off the tee.

Golf ball cannon (\$20/team)

One person on your team can shoot a golf ball out of an air-powered cannon that puts the ball much closer to the hole.

Raffle tickets (\$20/ticket)

Entry to win one of the raffle items!

Last One Off the Pot (\$10/ticket)

Entry into the "reverse" raffle where the last number drawn wins.

BEST DEAL! The Works (\$250 on Jotform, \$360 on the day of)

Includes one (1) of the above tickets for your whole team.

Food & Drinks

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Each participant will get one (1) drink ticket and a cash bar is also available.

Registration

Sign-ups will take place on Jotform though the link below, and will open on **July 18th at 8:00 AM.** The deadline to register is **August 25th.**

https://form.jotform.com/251955856617168

Hole Hecklers

Their mock sportscasting team, featuring two professional comedians, will heckle and roast players in good fun and taste, all to raise money for the Daryl Hall Memorial Scholarship Fund. Buy raffle tickets for a \$500 gift card, mulligans or an ace for that hole, or donate to request silence or add extra heckling on another golfer.

Awards

Awards will be given for each course for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and last place overall teams in the 4-man scramble. Longest drive, closest to the pin, closest to the line winners for each course will also receive awards.

QUESTIONS?





Sponsorship Opportunities



Sponsorship Level	Cost	Comes with 1 team of 4 players?	Sponsor logo tee box sign included?	The Works activities package included?	What else is included?	
Silver	\$350	<u> </u>	Yes	2	4	
Gold	\$680	Yes	-	=		
Diamond	\$1,200	Yes	Yes	Yes	•	
Crapshoot	\$1,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes		
Golfball Cannon	\$1,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Named recognition during the awards ceremony for sponsoring these events and sponsors' logo on the DHMGT course map handout for sponsoring these contests.	
Longest Drive Contest	\$1,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes		
Closest to the Pin Contest	\$1,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes		
Closest to the Line Contest	\$1,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes		
Putting Contest	\$2,000	Yes	Yes*	Yes		
Drink Tickets	\$2,250	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Buy a drink ticket for every player and volunteer! Named recognition during sendoff and sponsors' logo on the DHMGT course map handout.	
Breakfast	\$2,500	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Buy breakfast for every player and volunteer! Named recognition during sendoff and sponsor's logo on the DHMGT course map handout.	
Lunch	\$3,000	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Buy lunch for every player and volunteer! Named recognition during the awards ceremony and sponsor's logo on the DHMGT course map handout.	
Hole Hecklers	\$3,000	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Sponsor the funniest hazard on the course! Named recognition during sendoff and the awards ceremony, and sponsor's logo on the DHMGT course map handout.	
Custom Golf Balls	\$3,250	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Each player will receive one sleeve of golf balls with the sponsors' logo and DHMGT logo! Named recognition during sendoff and sponsor's logo on the DHMGT course map handout.	

^{*} Sian will be exclusive (no other sponsor sians at that tee box)

WEAT-NTS wants to hear from YOU!



Scan the QR code to complete a 10 minute survey

We will randomly give out five \$25 Visa gift cards to members who complete the survey.

Survey will close August 15, 2025.



OPStoberfest 2025



18th Annual Cook-Off

Friday, October 10, 2025

The Knights of Columbus Hall 2625 S Cooper Street Arlington, Texas 76015



Sponsor Here:

Register your team online

- · Will open later this summer
- Deadline: October 3rd

Volunteering

Sign up by reaching out in-person or by email to the contacts below!

Sponsorships

https://form.jotform.com/251965771997176

- · Fall BBQ Cook-Off
- Koozies
- · Volunteer T-shirts
- · Kids' Corner
- · Indoor Bar (NEW!)

Awards

- BBQ: Chicken, Beef, Beef Brisket, Pork, Wild Game
- Dessert
- Light and Dark Beer
- Pit Master
- Most Hospitable Team
- Best Kids' Costume



Costumes Encouraged

Get in the Halloween spirit! Costumes are encouraged for kids AND adults.



Family-friendly festivities including a balloon artist, face painter, and a bounce

house!

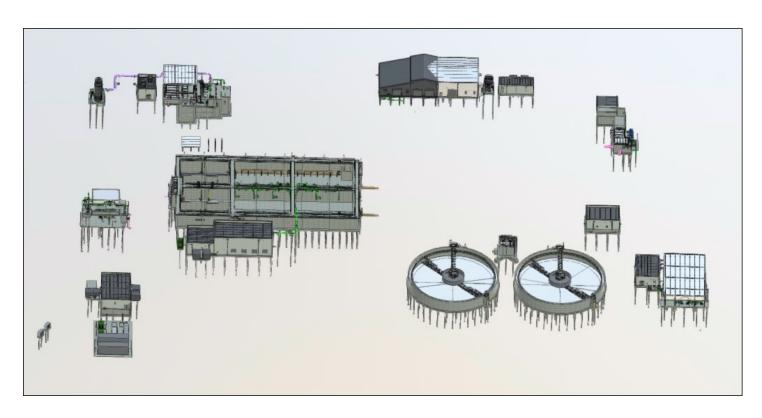


Co-Chair Contacts: Ola Wenno at owenno@plummer.com or Lillie Bolton at Lillie.Bolton@Kimley-Horn.com

2024 Project of the Year

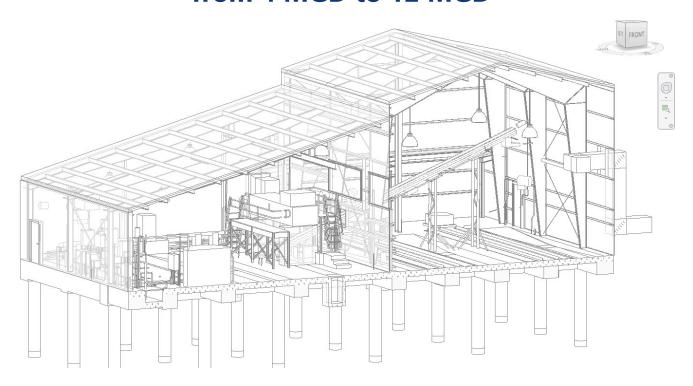
Congratulations to the **2024 Project of the Year** winner: **Doe Branch Water Reclamation Plant Phase 3 Expansion from 4 MGD to 12 MGD**.

The Doe Branch Water Reclamation Plant Phase 3 Expansion is one of the many critical infrastructure projects in the North Texas Region increasing capacity to meet the needs of one of the fastest-growing regions in the country. Doe Branch is expanding to triple treatment capacity from 4 to 12 MGD to meet the demands. Driven from the accelerating growth and mounting schedule pressures, the project team, led by Kaylee and the Upper Trinity Regional Water District, successfully navigated coordination with member cities and lead to a path forward along two other separate design projects. An innovative Construction Manager-at-Risk (CMAR) delivery method grouped the three major infrastructure components under one contract to enabling a more streamlined project.



2024 Project of the Year

Doe Branch Water Reclamation Plant Phase 3 Expansion from 4 MGD to 12 MGD



This project was nominated by Troy Laman from Carollo, and Team Members include:

UTRWD:

- ◆ Kaylee Waldo Engineering / Project Manager
- ♦ Homa Hadi Engineering
- Steven McHenry Doe Branch WRP Operations
- ◆ Dustin Clark Doe Branch WRP Operations

Carollo:

- ♦ Troy Laman –PM
- ♦ Sam Barraco –Design Manager

Other:

- ♦ Chad Simmons Freese & Nichols
- ♦ Allison Hage Freese & Nichols
- ♦ Archer Western CMAR

June Meeting Recap

It's Always a Water Session in Texas...

The June Lunch Meeting included a briefing of the latest Texas state legislation session as it related to water policy. **Julie Nahrgang**, Executive Director of WEAT, shared the latest updates regarding funding, bills, and other policy items that affect our water and wastewater industry.

This past session included the most bills related to water and wastewater policy in our state legislature's history. As attention to public water and wastewater infrastructure needs continues to arise, so do the number of potential policy laws and funding opportunities.

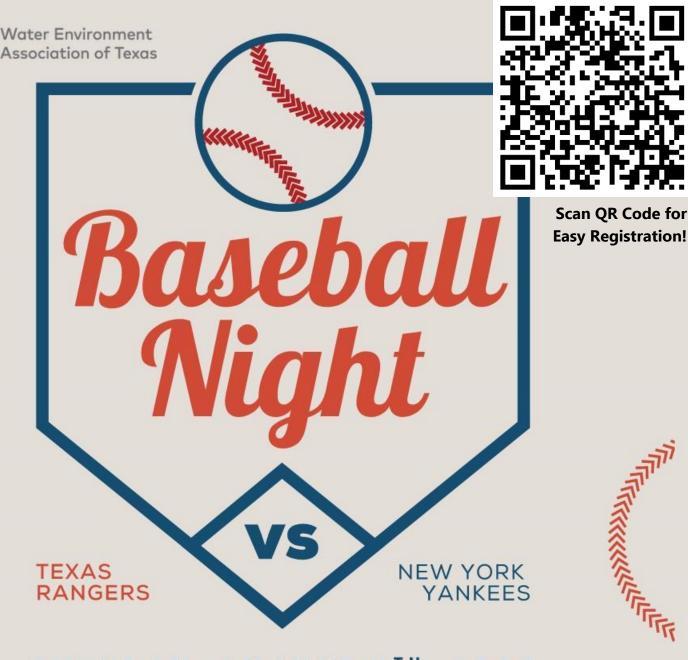
Young Professionals

WEAT-NTS YP's

Summer Plant Tour at VCWRF

- Tuesday, July 29th at 8:00 AM
- Village Creek Water Reclamation Facility
 4500 Wilma Lane
 Arlington, TX 76012-5409
- No open-toed shoes or shorts allowed. Hard hats will be available.

Email your RSVP to jcoleman@wadetrim.com and millerk@trinityra.org



TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2025

GLOBE LIFE FIELD

734 STADIUM DR, ARLINGTON, TX 76011

REGISTRATION \$40/PERSON | INCLUDES GAME TICKET & FOOD FOOD STARTS AT 6:30 PM | GAME STARTS AT 7:05 PM

REGISTRATION LINK: HTTPS://FORM.JOTFORM.COM/251216910167149
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Sponsorship Opportunities

WEAT-NTS offers three levels of sponsorships for the July 2024 – June 2025 year, plus multiple individual sponsorship opportunities.

Sponsorships will support:

- •WEAT-NTS and Daryl Hall Scholarship Funds
- Dinner Meetings
- Young Professionals
- •Outreach Programs (Science Fair, Future Cities, Trinity River Cleanup, etc.)

Classic Dinner Sponsor \$250

- •For One Dinner Meeting
- •Recognition of Classic Sponsors:
 - Announcement on front page of newsletter (name of firm) for the sponsored meeting
 - Announcement in meeting reminder emails (name of firm)
 - Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint
 - Verbal recognition of sponsors by President at the beginning of the meeting

Gold Sponsor \$1,250

Recognition at ALL six meetings (includes Fall Cook-off) (for the price of five)

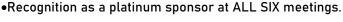
Recognition of Gold Sponsor is the same as Classic Sponsor at ALL six meetings

WEAT-NTS Scholarship Fund Contributions	\$100
Newsletter Advertising (6 issues) and website link	\$150
NTS February Seminar	\$300
NTS February Seminar Table Sponsor	\$500
NTS February Seminar Break Area Sponsor	\$1,000

*Daryl Hall Golf Tournament, Sporting Clays, Opstoberfest, and Membranes and Mudbugs events sponsorships are advertised separately.

Platinum

\$1,950



•Recognition of Platinum Sponsor is same as Gold Sponsor, plus:

- Company name included in all newsletters, meeting announcements, meeting reminder emails, and link on website
- Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint
- Recognition of Platinum Sponsor by President at the beginning of each meeting
- Recognition as February Seminar Sponsor including logo display in advertising and at event
- Recognition as YP Sponsor, with \$100 from sponsorship being earmarked toward local YP events
- Recognition as WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall scholarship fund contributor

