The story of the Burton Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in Bryan, Texas is not uncommon: once located in a relatively remote location, the 7 MGD WWTP is now surrounded by development, bounded by restaurants, apartments, and a park. Odors from the plant have earned the street leading to the facility (Spring Loop) the dubious moniker “Poop Loop”. To address odor concerns at the plant, the City of Bryan commissioned a comprehensive study to: quantify site odors; determine the offsite impact of those odors via odor dispersion modeling; assess odor control options; and develop a plan to reduce offsite odor impacts. This presentation will address each of these project elements, and describe piloting and innovative facilities constructed in response to study findings.

Lynne Moss is a Vice President and environmental engineer with CDM Smith and recently celebrated her 32th anniversary with the firm. She specializes in the areas of biosolids management and odor control. Ms. Moss has been active in both WEF and WERF, serving as lead author for biosolids land application chapters in recent guidance manuals issued by WEF, and as both Principal Investigator and Co-investigator for several WERF projects. She is the former chair of the WEAT Biosolids Committee, the current Vice Chair of WEF’s Residuals and Biosolids Committee, and a member of the WEAT Odor Control Committee. A graduate of the University of Texas, she lives in Austin and works both here and across the globe.

MEETING INFORMATION

Our CTS meetings are now eligible for TCEQ Operator Credits!

Please RSVP by contacting Rebecca Musk (Rebecca.musk@freese.com) by Wednesday, May 13th.

Meeting Cost: Members and Guests - $20.00, Students - $5.00 Meeting fee covers facility rental, dinner, and non-alcoholic beverages. Cash bar also provided.
Meeting Location: Joe C. Thompson Center, 2405 Robert Dedman Drive (SW corner of Dean Keeton and Red River).

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Pre-pay for each meeting by credit card:
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WEAT CTS OFFICERS AND MEETING TOPICS

Please contact any of the officers if you have questions or would like to get more involved with the CTS chapter.

We are looking for your feedback on topics to be presented at our section meetings and at specialty conferences. Please contact Secretary, Rebecca Musk if you have any suggestions.

Also, if you are interested in sponsoring a Central Texas Section WEAT event, please contact President Elect, Aldo Sotelo for more information.

As always, we thank you for supporting CTS WEAT!!!

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Term of office is July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.
CTS WEAT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Is college breaking the bank? The Central Texas Section of WEAT is here to help. We are pleased to offer a 2015 scholarship assistance program for WEAT-CTS members and/or their children and spouses. The scholarship assistance program will provide a $500 award for two students who attend either a 4-year college or university with accredited degree programs or a junior college. Preference will be given to students who are interested in pursuing a career related to water quality, who have outstanding academic records, and who are actively involved in extracurricular activities. Scholarship applications are available on the WEAT-CTS website (http://www.weat.org/central/) and are due on or before May 31, 2015.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS UPDATE

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA and the Central Texas Section of WEAT Young Professionals had a happy hour and March Madness gathering at Little Woodrow’s on March 19th. Thank you to Environmental Improvements, Inc. (Ei²) for sponsoring the event.

The next YP event will be on May 14th at 6:00 pm at the Hula Hut (3825 Lake Austin Blvd). The event will be sponsored by Hobas Pipe.

If you are interested in being added to the distribution list or would like to sponsor an upcoming event, please email Jessica Vassar (JBV@freese.com).

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT RECAPS

Water for People Charity Volleyball Tournament

The Texas Water for People Committee of TAWWA and WEAT partnered to sponsor the 5th annual Water for People Charity Volleyball Tournament, held May 2, 2015. Approximately 100 players and spectators attended the event at Aussie’s Grill & Beach Bar, raising $7,900 for sustainable water and sanitation projects around the world. (All of which is donated to Water for People; our best year yet!). Based on average costs for Water for People’s work, this is enough money to provide safe water or sanitation for over 150 people for a lifetime.

Eleven teams played in the tournament, with participants from the Austin Water Utility, San Antonio Water System, San Antonio River Authority, and Austin-area engineering firms. Special thanks to Hand-Pump level sponsors Cobb Fendley and CP&Y, and to Top-tier Community Level sponsors Arcadis, K Friese & Associates, and CH2M.

“Water for People exists for one purpose, and it’s as simple as our name: we want all people to have safe, continuous water, and when they do, our job will be done. We want water for everyone, forever.”

Congratulations to 1st place team, AECOM!
For more information or to make a donation to Water For People, please contact the Texas Water For People Committee Chair, Adam Conner (Adam.Conner@saws.org) or visit www.waterforpeople.org.

2nd place team, Freese and Nichols

Good Game!
Water Trotter Urban Challenge

On April 25\textsuperscript{th}, the Engineers Without Borders (EWB) – Greater Austin Chapter hosted its annual Water Trotter Urban Challenge Fundraiser at Scholz Garten to benefit vital water infrastructure programs in Peru, Guatemala, and the local Austin area. Approximately 60 participants came out to complete clues and trek around Austin’s Waller Creek Corridor, the Capitol grounds, and the University of Texas at Austin campus. The event raised over $2,300. The Chapter thanks event sponsors Bury, CH2M Hill, CDM Smith, HNTB, Pape-Dawson Engineers, and Steger Bizzell.
NELSON RIVERA NEEDS OUR HELP

Nelson Rivera is a proud graduate of both the University of Texas, and Northeastern University schools of Engineering. He has worked for a few Engineering firms in the Austin area and has a bright future with big plans. Unfortunately, this energetic and disciplined McAllen, Texas native suffered a great misfortune when he experienced a life altering stroke on Friday, April 10th at the young age of 28. Nelson, the young engineer in training was only days away from taking the final exam which would have qualified him to become a licensed engineer.

In efforts to help Nelson and his family financially, we are reaching out to CTS WEAT. Nelson's life is so full of potential and supporting his recovery is only the first step needed to help get him the care he needs. His friends and co-workers have high optimism that he will make an outstanding recovery and get back to fulfilling his dreams as quickly as possible!

We can help Nelson by donating using the following link: http://www.gofundme.com/nelson-rivera. Any amount helps! Every share counts! So help us spread the word. Thank you for your support!

NEW WEAT OFFICERS

Congratulations to Jeff Sober and Leigh Cerda on their new CTS-WEAT Officer positions! Jeff will be the Vice President and Leigh will be the Secretary.

WEAT MEMBERSHIP

Are you a member of WEAT? If not, here are a few reasons why you should become a member TODAY:

- Great training and networking opportunities with continuing education credit to maintain licenses
- $150 savings on Texas Water registration
- Dependents are eligible for multiple scholarships
- Receive the Texas WET magazine and e-Newsletter
- Become an automatic member of your section

You can join online today at http://www.weat.org/. Email julie@weat.org for more information.
CDM Smith provides integrated solutions in water, environment, transportation, energy and facilities to public and private clients worldwide. As a full-service consulting, engineering, construction, and operations firm, we deliver exceptional client service, quality results and enduring value across the entire project life cycle. CDM Smith’s 5,000 employees offer an unwavering focus on creating innovative and lasting solutions that improve environmental value, quality of life and economic prosperity. With more than $1 billion in annual revenues, we maintain the size, stability and resources to successfully undertake a diverse range of projects, applying local knowledge in our Texas offices (located in Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio) while leveraging the full resources and expertise of our global staff.

Environmental Improvements, Inc., established in 1966, is a Manufacturer’s Representative firm specializing in water and wastewater treatment. We represent a complete line of manufacturers capable of treating all variations of municipal water and wastewater applications. Coupled with our product service we have been providing treatment equipment and solutions in Texas for over forty-five years.

ECS Environmental Solutions, a Texas based family owned and operated business, offers a full line of odor control products and services. ECS has the capability to manufacture almost every major component that make up our extensive biological, carbon and chemical odor control solutions. ECS Environmental Services offers rental units and complete maintenance packages to help meet the specific budget and process needs of each individual client.

These events cannot happen without your support! If your company is interested in sponsoring a section meeting please contact Wil Sarchet at 512-453-5383 or wsarchet@carollo.com.

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING CTS CORPORATE SPONSORS
The Central Texas Section is including business card size advertisements in our newsletters. The cost is $150 for five ads. If interested, please contact Aldo Sotelo at asotelo@burypartners.com or Tejashri Kyle at tejashri.kyle@austin.utexas.edu.