# **Optimizing Performance & Accessing** Funding to Improve Small Systems

#### Great Falls, Heritage Inn March 24th, 2020

**Meet Your Speaker(s):** 

#### Diane Monahan:

Diane Monahan has been a Wyoming water / wastewater operator for over thirty years and currently conducts training for the American Water Works Association. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Northern Michigan University and maintains four Wyoming DEQ Licenses: IV Water, IV Wastewater, II Distribution, and 1 Collection.

In addition to operator experience she has investigation skills as a result of conducting on-site inspection of water and wastewater treatment facilities throughout the Region. She is a former Adjunct Professor for Casper College's Water Science Program, past Chair of WYOWARN and served as a Board member for the Rocky Mtn Section of AWWA.

#### Also Representatives from various funding agencies in Montana including:

- -United State Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- -Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
- -Montana Department of Commerce (DOC)
- -Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
- -Water, Wastewater and Solid Waste Action Coordinating Team (W2ASACT)

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#### SMALL SYSTEMS WORKSHOP:

# Optimizing Performance & Accessing Funding to Improve Small Systems





#### Presented by:







# March 24, 2020 **Great Falls / Heritage Inn** (room to be determined) 1700 Fox Farm Rd

Fee: None (FREE)

CECs: 0.8 "Dual"

This Training Session is being scheduled the day before the MRWS Annual Conference. Mark your calendar and take advantage of both of these training opportunities!

Please preregister for this course by March 10, 2020!



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<u>Who Should Attend</u>: The target audience is small, rural systems serving under 10,000 with an emphasis on systems serving under 2,500 including operators, managers, decision makers, and engineers. However, larger systems are also welcome to attend.

**What:** AWWA has taken the proven self-assessment methodology created by our Partnership for Safe Water and updated it to meet the needs of small systems, focusing on General Management/Administration, Financial Management, Asset Management, Source Protection/Production, and Distribution Systems. Participants in this workshop will learn how to assess their systems and identify areas for improvement, receive follow-up 1:1 technical assistance, and learn about available low-interest funding options.

### Agenda:

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7:30 am	Registration
8:00	Welcome & Introductions
8:15	Introduction to Partnership for Small Systems
8:30	Introduction to USDA Loan Program for Small Communities
8:45	How to Complete the "Preliminary Assessment" for Small Systems
10:15	BREAK
10:30	Exercise: Identification of Loan Eligible Projects
12:00 pm	LUNCH (On Your Own)
1:00	Demonstration & Exercise: How project areas can become a loan application
2:30	Water Loss
3:00	What is Next After Today's Training?
3:15	BREAK
3:30	Funding Resources from State & Federal agencies in Montana (W2ASACT)
	<u>USDA</u> - Water & Environmental Loan & Grant Program & Pre-Development
	Grants
	<u>DOC</u> - CDBG, TSEP, INTERCAP & MT Coal Board Grant Programs
	<u>DNRC</u> - Renewable Resource Grants & Loan Program, RDG Project and
	Planning Grants & Emergency Grant Program
	MDEQ - Water & Wastewater State Revolving Fund Loan Program
4:45	Summary & Feedback on the Training
5:00	Adjourn

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Great Falls - March 24, 2020

**PREREGISTRATION:** Even though this course is free we still **require** you to preregister for the course by March 10, 2020 so that we can plan accordingly for handouts and refreshments. For more info contact METC at (406) 265-3763.

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