

# **WATER WEEK 2026!**



## **National Stormwater** POLICY FORUM

**National Municipal Stormwater Alliance–Water Environment Federation**  
**Hosted by the National League of Cities & National Association of Counties**  
**Monday, April 13, 2026; 12:00 PM Eastern Time | 660 N. Capitol St, NW, Washington, DC**

11:00 – 12:00 **Doors Open** (*lunch provided*)

12:00 – 12:20 **Welcome**

- Scott Taylor, P.E., Board Chair, National Municipal Stormwater Alliance (NMSA)
- Keith Hobson, Board President, Water Environment Federation (WEF)
- Charlotte Mitchell Duyshart, Associate Legislative Director, Environment, Energy and Land Use, National Association of Counties (NACo)
- Stephanie Martinez-Ruckman, Legislative Director for Human Development, National League of Cities (NLC)

12:20 – 1:00 **Keynote Speaker**

- Rob Traver, Ph.D., P.E., Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Villanova University; Director, Villanova Urban Stormwater Partnership

1:00 – 1:30 **Keynote Q&A and Discussion**

Moderator: Seth P. Brown, Ph.D., PE, Executive Director, NMSA

1:30 – 2:30 **Hot Topics Panel – Stormwater and Flood Risk Funding, and Policy Innovations**

Moderator: Dave Smith, Principal, Water Innovation Services

- Judy Sheahan, Assistant Executive Director for the Environment, U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM)
- Leah Harnish, Government Affairs Manager, American Public Works Association (APWA)
- Kevin Coyne, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Florida Stormwater Association (FSA)
- Chad Berginnis, CFM, Executive Director, Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)

2:30 – 2:50 **Break**

2:50 – 3:20 **Congressional Update**

Moderator: Steve Dye, Managing Director, Government Affairs, WEF

- Mae Stevens, CEO, Current Strategies

- 3:20 – 4:20 **Federal & State Update – Open Discussion Format**  
Moderator: Pat Bradley, Clean Water Act Specialist, Michael Baker International  
(*WEF Stormwater Policy and Governance Chair*)
- Fernando Pasquel, Chief Policy Advisor, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
  - Julia Anastasio, Executive Director & General Counsel, Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA)
  - Open discussion among panelists and attendees on current local, state, and federal stormwater policy issues and implementation challenges.
- 4:20 – 4:35 **Stormwater Ask Document Overview**
- Steve Dye, Managing Director, Government Affairs, WEF
  - Scott Taylor, P.E., Project Specialist, AtkinsRéalis; Board Chair, NMSA
- 4:35 – 4:55 **National Municipal Stormwater Alliance and Water Environment Federation Updates**
- Seth P. Brown, Ph.D., PE, Executive Director, NMSA
  - Jamie Houle, Ph.D., Director, University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center; Board Vice Chair, NMSA; Stormwater Chair, WEF
- 4:55 – 5:00 **Wrap Up**
- Scott Taylor, P.E., Project Specialist, AtkinsRéalis; Board Chair, NMSA
- 5:00 – 5:30 **Transition / Travel to Reception**
- 5:30 – 7:30 **Reception** (*In-Person Attendees*)  
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