

Managing Water Resources: System losses, auditing, conservation & drought preparedness

2016 Preconference

November 1, 2016. Kearney, NE
Younes Conference Center

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Six (6) hours for Water Operator grades I - IV
Six (6) hours for Wastewater Operators

8:15 Registration

8:45 **How to understand the behavior of and risks to your water**

9:45 **How to better utilize supplies to reduce quantity & quality risks**

10:15 **Break**

10:30 **Water auditing - why, how and what can be learned about your system**

Noon: Lunch onsite

1:00 **Reducing customer side demands – outside**

2:00 **Customer side demand – inside uses**

2:30 **Break**

2:45 **Effective drought responses, how to prepare now for drier times**

4:15 **Adjourn**

Registration will be available soon !!!

Instructor Qualifications and Biography

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Nick Willis has been a program manager since 2014. Nick assists the Environmental Finance Center director in the development of new initiatives and activities for a variety of stakeholders including federal, state and local government professionals, as well as nonprofit professionals. As program manager, Mr. Willis specializes in professional training, technical assistance and special projects that promote quality local government management as well as environmental and financial sustainability throughout Kansas.

Nick has held relevant positions with the City of Hays (Kan.) and the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. He has an undergraduate degree in biological systems engineering from University of Nebraska-Lincoln and a Master of Science in agroecology from Norwegian University of Life Sciences. Nick is also a licensed professional engineer.