

12TH ANNUAL
IRRIGATION LEADERS WORKSHOP: “EFFICIENCY”

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IRRIGATION LEADER magazine, is sponsoring our 12th annual “*Irrigation Leaders Workshop*”. This year’s theme “Efficiency” will focus on doing more with fewer people and simply finding better solutions requiring reduced time. Additionally, we will look at specialized equipment and software solutions. How do successful managers manage their time? What are the best chain-of-command structures within an irrigation district? Technologies and methods of some of our international friends will be discussed. The purpose of the workshop is to provide an opportunity for general managers and directors of irrigation districts to discuss ideas and learn from each other on a variety of district operations- and management-related issues, and to build out-of-state working relationships.

TUESDAY, January 21

5:00-6:00 p.m. **Welcome Reception**

WEDNESDAY, January 22

7:00 a.m. **Networking Continental Breakfast and Coffee**
7:50 a.m. Welcome
8:00 a.m. The Successful Water Manager
8:30 a.m. Making Sure the Manager is Successful: The Invaluable Executive Secretary
9:30 a.m. How to Lobby Congress Efficiently
10:00 a.m. **Networking Break**
10:30 a.m. Time Management Forum: Each attending manager will be asked to share a few words on how they manage their time and stay organized
11:00 a.m. Board Members/Manager Roles, Responsibilities, and Communications Training
12:00 p.m. **Lunch Presentation** Reducing Costs on New Equipment
1:30 p.m. Assistant Manager Training/Development Case Studies
2:30 p.m. Advantages of Leased Vehicles
3:00 p.m. **Ice Cream Sundae Break**
3:30 p.m. Efficiency Forum: Each attendee will be asked to share their district’s most successful efficiency effort.
4:00 p.m. Shark Tank Technology and Service Presentations
5:00 p.m. **Vendor Reception**

THURSDAY, January 23

7:00 a.m. **Networking Continental Breakfast and Coffee**
8:00 a.m. Australian Irrigation Scheme Efficiency
8:30 a.m. New Zealand Technology Applied in the US
9:00 a.m. Israeli Irrigation in Arizona
9:30 a.m. Converting to Smart Pumps
10:00 a.m. **Networking Break**
10:30 a.m. Automated Canal Herbicide Application

11:00 a.m. Capitalizing on Urbanization Case Studies
12:00 p.m. **Lunch Presentation** Urban Hydropower and Canal Design
2:00 p.m. Bus departs for International Water Screen project site and tour of urbanized canal development site in Scottsdale.
5:00 p.m. **Reception**

ONLINE REGISTRATION: You can register for the *Irrigation Leader* Operations and Management Training Workshop at www.IrrigationLeaderMagazine.com Please complete and submit the online form as soon as possible, as space will be limited. Should you have a particular topic you would like discussed during the Open Forum at the meeting, or have any other ideas for the workshop, please add that information to the registration form in the space provided. Updates to the agenda will be provided as registrations are received.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: We have a block of rooms at the Crowne Plaza Phoenix-Chandler Golf Resort, located at 1 San Marcos Place, Chandler, Arizona 85225. To make or confirm your reservations, please go to www.CrownePlaza.com/ChandlerAZ or call (877) 685-5594.

For personalized hotel registration assistance, please phone Paula Currie at (916) 616-0286 or Paula@pcevents.net .

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Thank you for your time. We hope to see you in Chandler.