





DuPage Water Commission Water Management Workshop Series: Water Rates & Revenue

Date: August 29, 2013

On Wednesday, August 28, the fourth and final Water Management Series Workshop was held titled Indoor & Outdoor Water Use. DuPage Water Commission collaborated with Metropolitan Planning Council, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and MWH Global to create this workshop series that focuses on the importance of conservation and the role it plays in utility management, regulations and ordinances, water use by end users, and revenues.

The fourth workshop provided an intensive look into utility revenue options and rate-setting.

Manager of Operations Terry McGhee spoke about the Key Takeaways for the workshop as well as the Commission's induction into the The Conservation@Work Program. More information is available here. Other speakers and topics included:

- Non-traditional financing options for water infrastructure investments Ted Hamer, KPMG
- Traditional financing options for water infrastructure investments Gerry Bakker and Andy Bielanski, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Role of rates and full-cost pricing in conservation and water supply management, Margaret Schneemann, Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant/Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
- Performance contracting, Ben Disney, Ameresco
- H2Oscore, McGee Young, Marquette University

During the workshop, there were interactive discussions on all the above topics. Preserving Every Drop pamphlets, shower timers, leak detection tablets and rain gauges were given to attendees as well.

To view the presentations and other handouts click here.

To view the memo for the first workshop, click <u>here</u>. Click <u>here</u> for the second workshop's memo. Click <u>here</u> for the third workshop's memo.

See below for pictures from the workshop.













Ted Hamer describing non-traditional financing options



Gerry Bakker and Andy Bielanski explaining traditional financing options













Margaret Schneemann explaining the effects of conservation on revenue



Ben Disney explaining Ameresco's performance contracting













McGee Young describing his company, H2Oscore