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American Water Works Association

Water Conservation Certification

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Texas AWWA Water Conservation Certification

History

2016 – Section Ex. Director and Water Conservation Division reviewed CAL-NV Section AWWA program

- Three level training
- Confidentiality Agreement
- Licensing Fee
- Texas AWWA to develop Texas specific program
- Reviewed curriculum, development, timeline with contractor
 - Two levels, not three?
 - Workshop training & Certification separate

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History

2016 – Proposed to WCAC to support legislation

- Require utilities to complete training within date specific timeline
 - Stagger Training/Certification deadlines by utility size
 - details to be refined
 - Certification by third party
 - Record management by Texas AWWA

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History

2017 – Program concept

- Section develop content, training, certification at own expense
- Designed to simply break even with volume
- Workshop training as low as possible
 - Section has access to no cost training facilities
 - Chapters facilitate statewide training
 - Registration mechanisms exist at no additional cost
 - Certification testing to be at low cost
 - Record management system pre-existing

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History

2017 – Program put on hold

- Required training not legislatively mandated
- “Champion” retired
- Section shifted to different training programs

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Current Status

2019 – Section considering program development

- Implementing Advanced Water Treatment Operator Certification Program for Direct Potable Reuse including certification
- Funding in place or available for Water Conservation Training
- Operational mechanisms/locations exist

- Identify Section “Champion”, Conservation Division
- Develop Curriculum
 - Two levels instead of three?
- Implement in Fall 2020
- Legislative Mandate in 2021?

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QUESTIONS?