



USDA/AWWA Workshop for Small Systems

Optimizing Performance & Accessing Funding to Improve Small Systems

Thursday, November 21, 2019 | Albuquerque, New Mexico

For more than 20 years, AWWA and the **Partnership for Safe Water** has helped large, medium and small sized utilities learn how to operate efficiently with comprehensive programs developed *by utilities, for utilities*. At the heart of the *Partnership* is the self-assessment process. Utilities have effectively used self-assessments to identify needs and performance-limiting factors. These needs are then addressed in the form of an action plan that aids in the continuous improvement effort towards optimized operations. Attend this introductory workshop to learn how operators and administrators can access USDA improvement funds, and how the *Partnership* helps utilities optimize systems today and into the future.

Date & Time: Thursday, November 21, 2019 | 8:30am – 3:00pm

Location: Albuquerque Bernalillo Water Utility Authority | San Juan Chama Water Treatment Plant Training Room | 6000 Alexander Blvd, NE | Albuquerque, New Mexico | 87107

Cost: Free. Advance online registration is required. Attendance is limited to 30 persons; and to systems serving less than 10,000. Lunch provided.

Registration: <https://www.rmsawwa.org/event/2019SmallSystemsNewMexico>

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Agenda/Lessons Covered: TU's Will Be Available!!!

- Introduction to the Partnership for Small Systems
- USDA Loan Program for Small Communities
- Exercise: How to Complete the "Preliminary Assessment" for Small Systems
- Exercise: Identification of Loan Eligible Projects
- Demonstration and Exercise: How project ideas can be translated into a loan application
- What is next after today's training?
- Summary and feedback on the training and end of Workshop
- Optional Information Session

Who Should Attend: Small Water System Operators (including Contract Operators), Small Water System Board Members (decision makers), Municipal Officials (including Clerks/Treasurers) and Consultants who work with Small Water Systems conducting projects.