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WEF and WERF have collaborated with CDM Smith, Black & Veatch, Hazen & Sawyer and CH2M Hill Inc. to examine the future of biosolids treatment with specific regard to resource recovery. This effort is summarized in a new publication, funded by the US EPA that addresses policy and planning, technical and communication/outreach needs to advance resource recovery. The document focuses on organics, nutrients, and energy recovery, but also examines emerging recovery areas such as bio-plastics. Perspectives on these issues will be reviewed and discussed by a select panel of contributors, along with a moderator, concluding with questions and answers from the audience as a means to formally roll out and promote the study.

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Moderators: Chris Peot, DC Water

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In this panel discussion, representatives from three utilities will discuss the approaches behind recent updates to their biosolids management programs. Inherently, every utility has a unique combination of evaluation criteria (economic, political, environmental, social, geographical, etc.) that are used to select the chosen technology and ultimate end use of its biosolids. Experience and lessons learned from these utilities and the ensuing discussion are intended to provide insight to those who are contemplating an update to their biosolids management approach.

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- Indirect Heat Drying at Bowling Green Municipal Utilities in Bowling Green, KYN/A Michael Gardner, Bowling Green Municipal Utilities
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The U.S. Department of Agriculture and The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in cooperation with State Departments of Agriculture, Environment, and Conservation and Land Grant Universities have initiated a long term project to reduce the load of nutrients entering streams and rivers throughout the nation. A comprehensive nutrient management strategy involves application of a science, technology and management -based framework to assess and reduce nutrient losses to waters of the U.S while optimizing crop yield and quality. A nutrient management plan is designed to optimize nutrient use for crop production and reduce nutrient introduction to surface water from both point and nonpoint sources in a scientifically sound and cost effective manner.

Farmers involved in nutrient management programs have demonstrated that voluntary management practices are reducing the loss of fertilizer from fields. Their goal is to better manage nutrients to make them available for plant growth rather than drain into shallow groundwater and surface waters. The application of comprehensive nutrient management planning processes to biosolids management has started in many jurisdictions and discussion with state personnel indicate these plans will be an essential part of future land based biosolids management efforts. This session presents a general assessment of nutrient content of biosolid material and biosolid derived products, examples of research results documenting consequences of land treatment efforts, and implementation efforts for nutrient management planning at the state level.

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Robert Rubin, North Carolina State University Forbes Walker, University of Tennessee Patricia Turman, USDA-NRCS

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Moderators: Heather Crabtree, Metro Water Services

Doug Yarosz, Brown and Caldwell

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The planning discussion will feature project drivers, design considerations and the evaluation process that led to the selection and design-build delivery of the \$125M Central Biosolids Facility. Highlights of this facility include circular dissolved air flotation co-thickening, anaerobic digestion and thermal drying.

Now 5 years since the facility was completed, MWS will share lessons learned throughout the project. Operations staff will discuss their experience during the commissioning period as well as the current operation of the facility. The panel will conclude with discussion related to the facility damage resulting from the Nashville flood of May 2010 and emergency operating protocols that are implemented when solids handling facilities are flood damaged.

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