

TEXAS OPERATIONS CHALLENGE 2012



Are you an **OPERATOR**? Read This!

Texas Operations Challenge 2012 is happening at Texas Water in San Antonio on April 11 and 12, and WEAT wants you to join!

Operations Challenge is a competition where teams of Operators, Maintenance men and women, Laboratory Analysts, Instrument Techs, Construction Inspectors, and Collection System workers go head to head with other utilities and cities to determine who is best at what they do.

If you are new to this, you might have the following questions:

What are the events that I can compete in?

1. **Maintenance Event**, simulating removing a submersible mixer and pump from service, performing maintenance, and placing back into service
2. **Collections Event**, simulating repairing an 8" sewer pipe while in service
3. **Process Control Event**, a test that will push your knowledge of wastewater treatment plant process
4. **Laboratory Event**, simulating completing E *Coli* tests in record time
5. **Safety Event**, simulating rescuing a downed colleague from a confined space entry
6. **Exhibition Event**, a race to complete a Victaulic grooved coupling pipe structure

Why would I want to do this?

- You can attend Texas Water for **free**
- You can get up to **10 TCEQ approved CEU** hours
- You can win cool hardware and **trophies**
- You can **network** with other Operators in the industry
- You could win the ultimate **bragging** rights!

If I have never competed, can I start this year?

Yes, you can! New this year, we are offering a **Division II for new teams!** This Division II allows any new teams to come and compete in any number of events.

What do I need to do to make a team?

1. Division II teams can be two, three, or four individuals
2. Read the instructions
3. Choose the events you want to participate in (you can compete in one to six events)
4. Register for the event
5. Come have fun!

Who can I contact if I need more information?

You can contact the WEAT Public Works Operator Representative Orren West at (512) 972-1957 or orren.west@austintexas.gov

You can contact the WEAT Operations Challenge Chair Jeff Sober at (972) 239-9949 or jsober@carollo.com



If you are coming to Texas Water, be sure to come watch the Division I Texas Teams compete for their chance at Nationals in New Orleans Louisiana. Schedules will be posted around the Exhibit Hall. Representing Division I this year:

- Austin Dillo Xpress
- Dallas AquaTechs
- San Antonio Power SAWS
- TRA CReWSers