

May 2026 Section Meeting



Thursday, May 21, 2026 📍 City of Urbana



We invite you to join us for a tour of Urbana’s Water Reclamation Facility! The afternoon technical sessions will be held at the Champaign County Fairgrounds.

Evening Social Event: Happy Hour at Urbana Brewing Company

After a full day of touring the Water Reclamation Facility and participating in technical sessions, attendees are invited to unwind and socialize at a Happy Hour hosted by the Urbana Brewing Company. Located just about one mile from the Champaign County Fairgrounds. SWOWEA will provide two complimentary drinks and appetizers for each guest at the event. This evening gathering is an excellent opportunity to network with fellow professionals, share insights from the day, and catch up with peers in a friendly and informal atmosphere.

Facility Tour City of Urbana Water Reclamation Facility

9 - 11:30 a.m.
Last Tour leaves at 10 a.m.
1263 Muzzy Road, Urbana, OH 43078
Tour will be for 1 contact hour

Registration Champaign County Fairgrounds
11:30-12:00 p.m. 384 Park Ave, Urbana, OH 43078
Farmers & Merchants Activities Building

Lunch Lunch catered by Farmer’s Daughter
Noon

Business Meeting Welcome and Updates
12:30 p.m. Chris Zdinak, SWOWEA President

Technical Sessions:

1:00 – 1:45 p.m. *Accepting Septage at a WRF*
Zac Herrmann, Urbana Plant Superintendent

1:45 – 2:30 p.m. *City of Urbana - Performance Overview of Sludge Dewatering Using Screw Press Technology*
Justin Mason, P.E., EES
Zac Herrmann, Urbana Plant Superintendent

Break and Door Prizes

2:30 - 2:45 p.m.

Basic Control Panel Troubleshooting
Dave Mathews, BL Anderson

2:45 - 3: 45 p.m.

4:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

Register by Friday, May 15, 2026 at www.ohiowea.org

\$0 Speakers
\$5 Students w/ valid ID
\$35 early registration member
\$45 early registration non-member
\$40 late registration member
\$50 late registration non-member

Registration is free with a paid OWEA/WEF new membership application.

Online registration is highly recommended.

Please honor your reservation with payment if unable to attend

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This program has been submitted for **3.5 contact hours** for certified operators and professional engineers in Ohio. To receive credit, attendees must be present during the entire session and complete a contact hour form with Ohio EPA Core ID Number.

Directions to Facility Tour: The facility is located in a rural-industrial area west of the city center, south of the Mad River

Directions from US-68

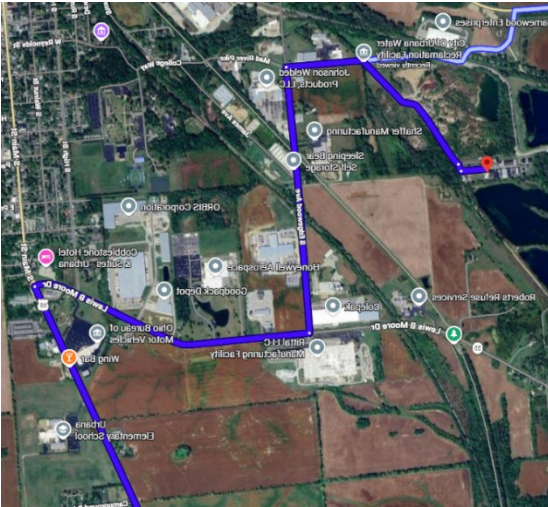
1. **Exit US-68:** If traveling on **US-68 (Main Street)**, head toward the south side of Urbana.
2. **Turn onto SR-55:** Turn **West** onto **Lewis B. Moore Drive** (State Route 55).
3. **Turn onto S. Edgewood Ave:** Continue west for about 1.5 miles, then turn **South (Left)** onto **S. Edgewood Avenue**
4. **Final Turn:** Turn **West (Right)** onto **Muzzy Road**

Driving Directions from I-70

The facility is approximately **15 miles north** of the I-70 and US-68 interchange.

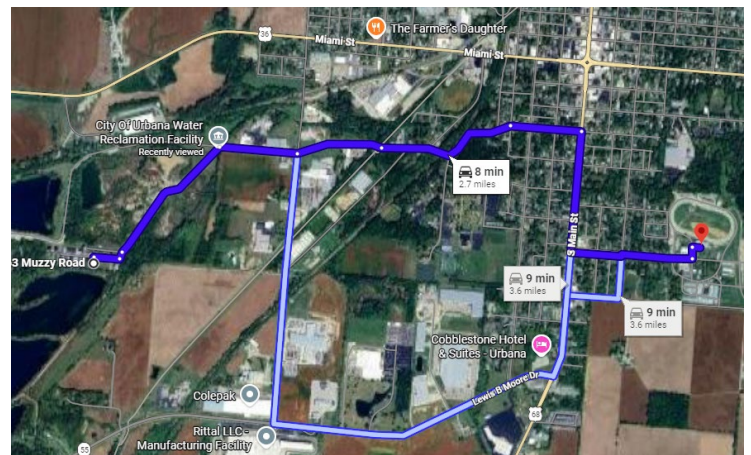
1. **Exit I-70:** Take **Exit 52B** to merge onto **US-68 N** toward [Urbana](#)
2. **Travel North on US-68:** Continue north for approximately 13 miles into the [City of Urbana](#)
3. **Turn West (Left) on SR-55:** Turn **Left** onto **Lewis B. Moore Drive** (State Route 55).
4. **Turn South (Left) on S. Edgewood Ave:** After about 1.5 miles, turn **Left** onto **S. Edgewood Avenue**
5. **Turn West (Right) on Muzzy Road:** Take the first **Right** onto **Muzzy Road**

The Water Reclamation Facility will be on your left, just past the [City of Urbana Compost Facility](#)



Directions to Champaign County Fairgrounds: The fairgrounds are located on the north side of Urbana, approximately **15 miles north** of the I-70/US-68 interchange.

1. **Exit I-70:** Take **Exit 52B** to merge onto **US-68 N** toward **Urbana**.
2. **Travel North on US-68:** Continue north for about 14 miles. This will take you directly into downtown Urbana (Monument Square).
3. **Navigate Monument Square:** Enter the roundabout and take the **second exit** to stay on **US-68 N** (N. Main Street).
4. **Turn West (Left) on Park Ave:** Turn **Left** onto **Park Avenue**.
5. **Arrive at Fairgrounds:** The [Champaign County Fairgrounds](#) will be on your right.



The meeting will be held at the Farmers & Merchants Activities Building