



**WaterReuse Association
Northern California Chapter Meeting
Friday, August 21, 2015, 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM
SCVWD, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118**

**Recycled Water Trends in Santa Clara County
AGENDA**

8:30 – 9:00	Breakfast/Refreshments
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome Curtis Lam, President, Northern California Chapter of WaterReuse Director Gary Kremen, Santa Clara Valley Water District
9:15 – 9:45	WaterReuse California and Leg/Reg Update Jennifer West, Managing Director, WaterReuse California
9:45 – 10:15	SCVWD Expedited Purified Water Program Garth Hall, Santa Clara Valley Water District
10:15 – 10:45	Networking Break
10:45 – 11:15	Supporting Regional Water Supply with Recycled Water Michele Young, City of San Jose
11:15 – 11:45	SJWC Recycled Water and Water Conservation Program Activities Benjamin Pink, San Jose Water Company
11:45 – 12:00	Closing Remarks Curtis Lam, President, Northern California Chapter of WaterReuse
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch and Networking

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Speaker Biographies:

Gary Kremen is an engineer with more than 30 years' experience starting and mentoring companies that change people's lives. He invented online dating, starting Match.Com where he was indirectly responsible for over 1,000,000 babies. He founded Clean Power Finance, a leading provider of solar energy to residences, backed by Duke Energy, Florida Power and Light, Southern California Edison, Kleiner Perkins, Google Ventures, Claremont Creek Ventures and Gary Kremen himself.

Coming from a background as an engineer and advisor to several startup solar, water, energy management and general sustainability firms, Gary recognizes that clean technology innovation can be used to tackle issues affecting the district, such as drought and water management.

Education and sustainability are Gary's dedicated passions. He teaches a graduate level course at Northwestern University on energy policy, is a member of the Foundation Board of University of California at Merced, and is an advisor, grant proposal evaluator, and judge at Stanford's TomKat Center for Sustainable Energy. He is also a long-time volunteer, judge and mentor at the leading water non-profit, Imagine H2O.

In addition to being elected as the 2015 Chair of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District, Gary has also served as President of the Board of Directors of Purissima Hill Water District and as the Secretary of the Water Conservation Committee for Los Altos Hills. He is a member of the Proposition 39, California Clean Energy Jobs Act Citizen's Oversight Board, appointed by California State Controller John Chiang.

Jennifer West is the Managing Director of WaterReuse California Section. The mission of the WaterReuse Association is to educate the public on the importance of reusing water and to advocate for policy, laws and funding to increase water reuse in communities across the United States. Prior to joining WaterReuse California, Jennifer was the Director for Water at the California Municipal Utilities Association.

Garth Hall joined the Santa Clara Valley Water District in April 2014. He is currently the Deputy Operating Officer of its Water Supply Division. He has responsibilities for recycled water initiatives, programs in groundwater management, securing imported water, operating local surface reservoirs, implementing water conservation and registering and metering groundwater wells.

Garth's prior experience includes nine years with the East Bay Municipal Utility District, in water resources planning and managing that district's contractual relationship with the Bureau of Reclamation for Central Valley Project supply. His experience also includes twenty years with Pacific Gas and Electric Company, where he managed, in series, various departments and large programs.

Garth earned his Ph.D in civil engineering (water resources planning) in South Africa and also earned three graduate degrees from Stanford University. He is a registered civil engineer in California.

Michele Young is the Program Manager for the South Bay Water Recycling Program with the City of San Jose. She has more than 17 years of experience in utility management, including solid waste, compost and anaerobic digestion facility, renewable energy and enforcement. Michele is excited to put her undergraduate studies in Agriculture from Cal Poly, and Masters in Environmental Science from San Jose State to work in re-visioning the South Bay Water Recycling program during its transition from regulatory requirement to water supply utility.

Benjamin Pink is a Water Resources Supervisor for San Jose Water Company who is responsible for planning and analysis of water conservation programs. Part of Ben's responsibilities are customer interaction and outreach to all of SJWC's recycled water customers, and assisting with water resources planning activities such as the Urban Water Management Plan and the Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Previously, Ben worked as a Water Resources Planner with the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA). Ben holds both Masters and Bachelor's degrees from UC Santa Cruz, as well as a Masters from UC Santa Barbara.