Ohio Valley Regional Meeting

April 18, 2024, Thursday, 1:00-2:00pm local time

Schilling Center, 900 Mill St. Brookville IN 47012

The Ohio Valley Region includes Franklin, Ripley, Dearborn, Ohio, and Switzerland counties but open to all drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater utilities and elected officials who wish to participate. The IFA has applied for Certified operator CEUs. There is no cost to attend but registration is appreciated. Register [here](https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7710953/Ohio-Valley-Regional-Planning-Meeting).

Agenda

1. **Housekeeping** **and Introductions** (10 min)
   1. Sign-in sheet for attendance, CEU forms, contact list
   2. Name, utility, title, professional experience
   3. What projects are you doing in 2024?
   4. *Are you hiring?*
2. **Presentation from David Zipoff,** Department of Workforce Development, Veterans Services - about the program and how it could help you find your next hire (20 min)
3. **Round Table** - possible discussion topics (30 min)
   1. Lead Service Line Inventory work – how is it going?
   2. Water audits?
   3. Other topics, issues to bring up?
4. **Next meeting**
   1. When and where to meet next? Schilling Center in April 2025?
   2. Suggestions for future topics of discussion?
5. **Adjourn**

The purpose of the meetings is to build on the benefits that come from neighboring utilities collaborating to solve similar issues. These meetings are for utility personnel, board members, and elected officials, and only these individuals can meet the attendance requirement. Consultants and contractors are welcome to attend when they attend at the invitation of a utility who is also attending. Utilities may attend a regional meeting outside of their region, but the intention is that they attend one in their region to get the benefits of interacting with their neighbors.

As a reminder, utilities are required to attend at least one regional meeting a year and attending is required for funding assistance from the IFA (IC 5-1.2-11.5-5). The IFA tracks attendance on a 12-month rolling basis. For example, if your utility attended on April 2, 2023, your utility meets the requirement of the rule until April 2, 2024. The list of utilities who have attended a regional meeting is available on the IFA website. <https://www.in.gov/ifa/regional-planning-meetings>