**About PNCWA**



**PNCWA is part of WEF!**

PNCWA is the preeminent state association dedicated to education, dissemination of technical and scientific information, increased public understanding, and promotion of sound public laws and programs in the water resources and related environmental fields in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

**PNCWA Mission Statement:** *Dedicated to protecting and enhancing water resources in the states of Idaho, Oregon and Washington. To achieve this, we promote the professional development of our members, the dissemination of information to the public and policy makers, and the advancement of science and technology needed to protect human health and the environment.*

**PNCWA Vision Statement**: *The Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association is a vibrant community sustaining healthy watersheds for future generations.*

**Membership**: Our membership includes environmental, civil and chemical engineers, educators, biologists, chemists, government officials, treatment plant managers and operators, laboratory analysts, equipment manufacturers and distributors, and students and young professionals involved in wastewater collection and treatment, stormwater management, and related fields.

There are over 1500 individual members, and the majority of those are members of ► [WEF](http://www.wef.org/) and PNCWA jointly. ► [Membership in PNCWA](https://www.pncwa.org/membership) is through membership in ► [WEF](http://www.wef.org/), with the exception that certified Operators involved in day to day operations and regulators are eligible for ► ["PNCWA only" membership](https://pncwa.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mc&view=mc&mcid=form_62134) at a reduced price.

**Water Environment Federation**

PNCWA is one of 75 global Member Associations that collectively, form a federation of like-purpose organizations called the Water Environment Federation. [**WEF**](http://www.wef.org/) is a not-for-profit technical and educational organization of 35,000 individual members. And while [WEF](http://www.wef.org/) is the parent organization, it is through the member associations like PNCWA that the members are served.

**WEF's** job since 1928 has been to provide you with the best opportunities and mechanisms you need to learn, lead, transfer knowledge, and advocate for clean water. Through our guiding principles of Leadership, Stewardship, Collaboration, Integrity, and Passion, [**WEF**](http://www.wef.org/) helps to promote best practices in the water field, showcase our sector’s cutting-edge technologies and drive innovative approaches to sustainable water management. Though [**WEF**](http://www.wef.org/) maintains a full-time staff, the majority of the work  is carried out by volunteers, people like yourself—professionals who care about the environment, who care about their community, and who care about their profession.

As the resource for the water quality profession, **WEF** provides its members with the latest technical information on water quality and technology, cost-cutting design and implementation strategies, U.S. EPA enforcement activities, and time saving certified operations training.

**PNCWA Regions & Sections**

Regions within PNCWA and the PNCWA sponsored Sections within the Regions are independent organizations with their own governance, and are recognized and chartered by PNCWA.

Four Regions form the link between the Sections and the PNCWA Board of Directors. The Regions are Idaho, Oregon, Eastern Washington, and Western Washington. Each Region is represented by a Regional Director who serves on the PNCWA Board of Directors.

Independent local PNCWA Sections are active in each of the four regions, providing training and networking to meet the needs and interests of the area. Please see the list of active Sections within each state or Region by going to [Regions and Sections](http://www.pncwa.org/regions-sections).