



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

February 5, 2024

TO: Terrance McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

FROM: Sabrina A. Figler, Director of Water Quality

SUBJECT: Request for Sabrina A. Figler, Director of Water Quality to attend the AWWA FLY-IN 2024 in Washington, DC

The AWWA FLY-IN is scheduled for April 8-10, 2024. The AWWA FLY-IN is an opportunity for water professionals to speak to decision makers in Congress about issues important to the water sector. The event gives members of Congress the opportunity to hear directly from their constituents. This event is sponsored by the National AWWA Water Utility Council (WUC) and each state's AWWA WUC selects members from their own councils to attend and represent their respective state & congressional districts. NYSAWWA WUC has no had no one to represent the WNY area and will sponsor me to go. All travel and lodging costs will be covered by AWWA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sabrina A. Figler".

Sabrina A. Figler

BUDGET INFORMATION: BUDGET YEAR 2024

Water Quality Unit 1030

GL #: 401000 640212

Remaining Balance: \$10,000.00

cc: Jenniber Hibit, Director of Human Resources
Charles Eaton, Chief Operating Officer

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZATION FORM
For Approval/Execution of Documents
(check which apply)

Contract:		Project No.:	
Project Description:	AWWA FLY-IN EVENT 2024 WASHINGTON DC		
	SABRINA FIGLER, DIRECTOR OR WATER QUALITY		

Item Description:



<input type="checkbox"/> Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Service Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Order
<input type="checkbox"/> BCD	<input type="checkbox"/> NYSDOT Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Documents	<input type="checkbox"/> Addendum
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation for Award of Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation to Reject Bids		
<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Proposals			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other TRAVEL REQUEST FORMS			

Action Requested:


<input type="checkbox"/> Board Authorization to Execute	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Approval
<input type="checkbox"/> Board Authorization to Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Execution by the Chairman
<input type="checkbox"/> Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids	<input type="checkbox"/> Execution by the Secretary to the Authority
<input type="checkbox"/> Board Authorization to Solicit Request for Proposals	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other BOARD APPROVAL	

Approvals Needed:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of HR		Date: 2-9-2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Operating Officer		Date: 02/09/2024
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Engineer	_____	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Director of Administration	_____	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Claims Rep/Risk Manager	_____	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief Financial Officer	_____	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Legal	_____	Date: _____

APPROVED FOR BOARD RESOLUTION:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary to the Authority		Date: 2/10/2024
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Remarks: _____

Resolution Date: _____	Item No: _____
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TRAVEL REQUEST

Date: 2/5/2024

Employee Name	Job Title	Department
Sabrina A Figler	Director of Water Quality	Water Quality

Destination: AWWA FLY-IN WASHINGTON, DC

Is this training needed to meet professional licensing requirements? NO

Description of training or business, and reasons and benefits of attendance: On behalf of the NYSAWWA WUC, I will be meeting with members of Congress about issues important to the water sector. NYSAWWA sponsors each year 4 members of the NYAWWA water utility council (WUC)

Dates of Travel

From: 4/8/2024 To: 4/10/2024 Total number of business days: 3

Estimated Cost

Transportation \$ 0 Hotel Accommodations \$ 0 Meals \$ 225

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST \$ 225 W/ REGISTRATION FEE \$ 0

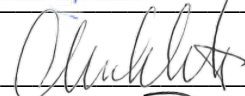
Balance in the training budget prior to this trip \$ 10000

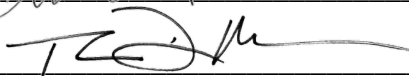
Unit Number 1030 Primary Number 401000 G/L Number 640212

Comments (i.e. spouse traveling, preferences): _____

Approvals

Department Head  Date 2/5/2024

Chief Operating Officer  Date 02/06/2024

Secretary  Date 2/6/2024



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The 2024 Water Matters! Fly-In will be held from April 8-12 in Washington, DC. Please contact your Section Chair if you are interested in participating.

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- **PFAS:** Reduce the introduction of PFAS into water by controlling it at the source, and holding those responsible for contamination accountable while protecting passive receivers of PFAS.
- **Source Water Protection:** Protect the nation's water sources through both collaborative voluntary measures in the agriculture and forestry communities, as well as strategic use of the nation's environmental laws for addressing other potential sources of contamination.
- **Cybersecurity:** Secure the nation's water systems through an effective co-regulatory model building off the successes in other sectors of the economy, and keeping known vulnerabilities private so they can be addressed instead of falling into the wrong hands.
- **Affordability:** Help to address water affordability while keeping systems sustainable through by building a permanent low-income water bill assistance program.

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