

History of The Water Tower

Gwinnett Leadership

- Lake Lanier = sole water source
- Nearly 1 million residents
- Produce 70 million gallons per day

F. Wayne Hill Water Resources Center

- Delivers one of the highest levels of treatment in the country
- Wastewater plant + drinking water plant
- Ostara Nutrient Recovery Technologies captures nutrients for use as a fertilizer
- Many, many innovative technologies and processes
- Visited by over 100 countries

Gwinnett County water resources wins 'best tasting water' in Georgia

Gwinnett County is now qualified for the National American Water Works Association competition



Glass of water (Canva photo)

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View From TWT

Our Vision

To be a thriving ecosystem of water innovation fueled by imagination, informed by research, and powered by pioneers.

Our Mission

TWTG (501c4) will develop world-class physical infrastructure and dynamic human capital needed to inspire and implement transformational programming for the water industry.

TWTI (501c3) will be a hub for solutions in research, technology, training and engagement for water utilities ensuring access to safe, affordable and resilient water services.

April 2022

August 2019

TWT CAMPUS OPENED

TWT NONPROFITS ESTABLISHED



Reimagine the Future of Water

Expedite the implementation of innovative water and wastewater solutions and engage the next generation of water workers











Ecosystem of Innovation









Applied Research

Conducting collaborative research to solve practical problems locally and globally in TWT's three research laboratories

Technology Innovation

Fostering and facilitating the creation of new technologies to transform the efficiency and effectiveness of the water industry

Workforce Training

Enhancing the capabilities of resources through classroom, online and field training and conducting outreach to the next generation of water workers

Ecosystem Engagement

Demonstrating the value of clean water and the wide range of application across industries and providing space for the water community to collaborate



TWT Partners

Sustaining and Transformative

















Innovation



































Collaboration

































Thank you to our Founding Partners for their early support of TWT!













Technology Innovation/Applied Research

Accelerate implementation of water, wastewater and stormwater solutions

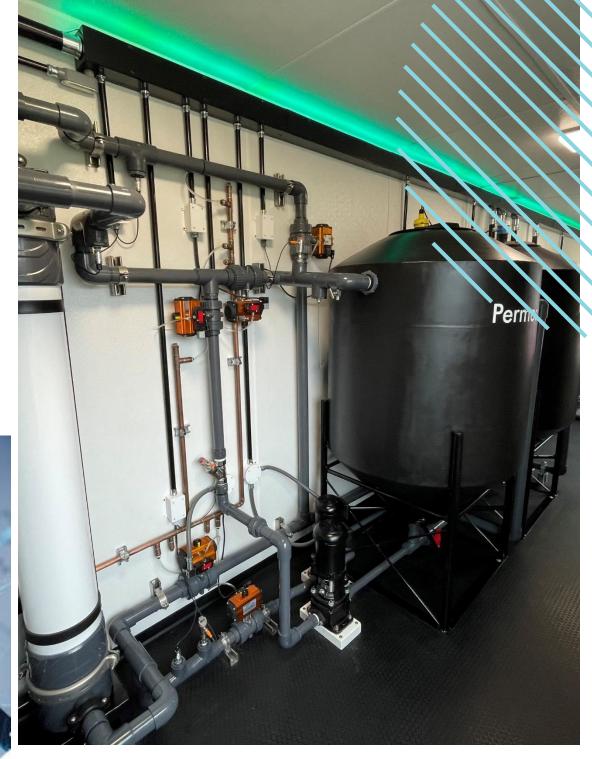
Technology Demos

Training Tools

Lunch and Learns

3rd Party Validations Expert review White paper







Living Laboratory - Real-World Testing



- Primary Influent
- Secondary Effluent
- Advanced Treated
 Reuse
- APIs for data
- Other physical assets with multiple utility partners



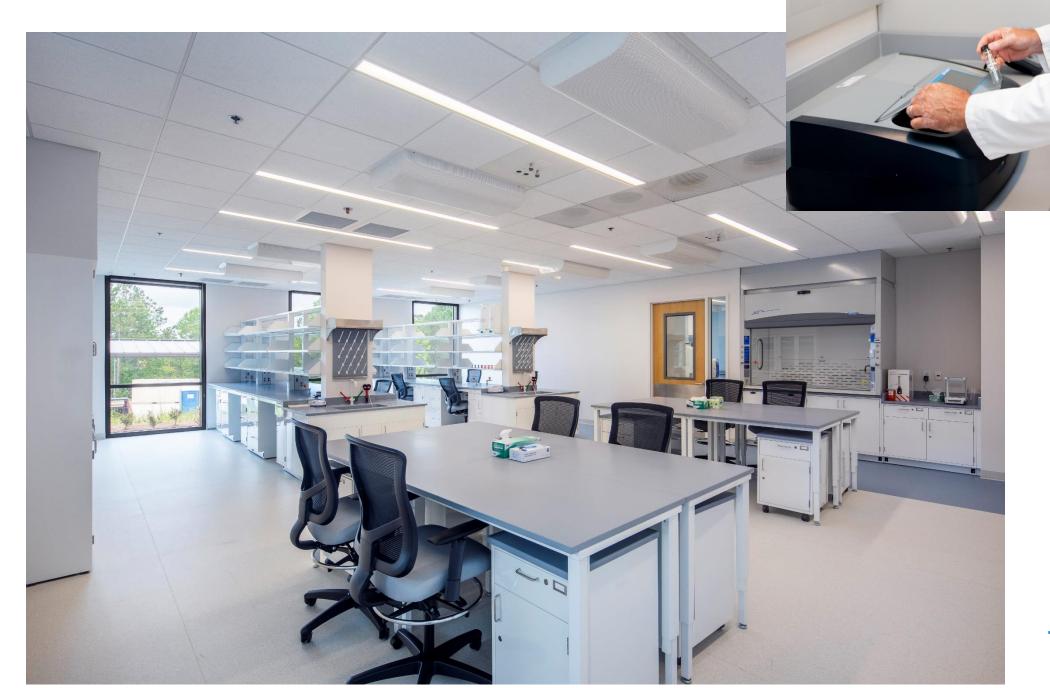
State-of-the-Art Laboratories

Host Site for Research
Corporate R&D
Academia
Leading edge grants

Regional projects of interest

Lake Lanier Research

Plan





TWT Research Program



Collaborative, Applied Projects

- Collaborative projects with multiple funding sources, including utilities, grants, and other contributions, managed by TWT
- TWT-21-01 Utility Innovation
 Performance Measures involves
 35 utilities from across the
 country, Canada and Australia



In-House R&D

- Three research labs and live demonstration area for new technology with real process flows from FWH WRC
- Lake Lanier Watershed Research
 Plan
 - Contaminants of emerging concern (e.g., PFAS)



Resources and Training

- Workforce Pipeline for partners and tenants
- State-of-the-art facilities to host visiting professors, student researchers, and partner projects
 - Supporting industry
 advancement and engaging the
 NextGen

Workforce Development

Host and/or conduct a robust **hands-on** training curriculum across skilled trades

Facilitate recruitment opportunities





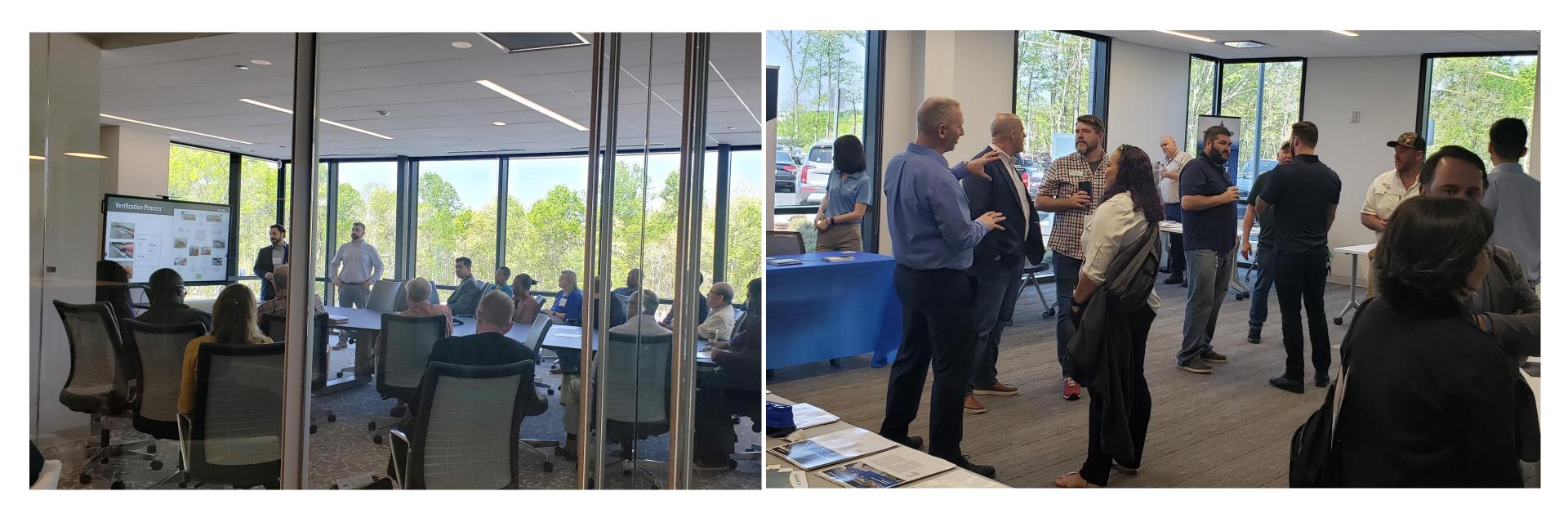
Community Engagement and Professional Development











Demo Day

- Over 400 attendees from across the US (GA, AZ, AL, FL, SC, NC, CA)
- Thought Leadership Lightning Talks
- Expo-style opportunity to showcase new technology to utilities
- Attendees include utility reps, consulting firms, manufacturers, contractors, universities, and more
- Demo Day 2023: April 21



National Backflow Prevention Day

125 front line utility workers attended a full day of training in honor of this "holiday".





Utility Leadership in Innovation Two-Day Workshop

- Second of 3 workshops for this research project
- 40 utilities in attendance both in person and virtual from across the US
- Interactive discussion on how to advance innovation (or start an innovation program) at water/wastewater utilities, how to get buy-in from both leadership and staff, and establish performance metrics to evaluate success of the program









Water Innovation and Leadership Student Summit

157 high school students from 5 schools (2 counties) and 25 volunteers + TWT staff

Career fair representing partners

10 hands on activity stations covering topics in biology and stream restoration, robotics, intersection of science and art, microscopy and chemistry, GIS, engineering pipe design, plant and field work, filtration.

Keynote by Jahn Khan, CEO of 4Earth (TWT advocate and future TWT demo)

Student Summit 2023: November 8

Visitors of The Water Tower by State

