

Engineering Progress Together: Collective Action for a

Connected Region.

Exhibitor Manual

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San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize, C.A.







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CWWA's 34th Annual Conference and Exhibition

Get ready for the Caribbean Water & Wastewater Association's (CWWA) 34th Annual Conference and Exhibition, taking place from October 20–24, 2025, in the stunning town of San Pedro, Belize! Nestled on Ambergris Caye, Belize's largest and most vibrant island, San Pedro offers the perfect blend of professional networking and tropical paradise. With its crystal-clear Caribbean waters, white sandy beaches, and relaxed island vibe, this picturesque destination sets the stage for an unforgettable experience.

The theme for this year's event is 'Engineering Progress Together: Collective Action for a Connected Region', emphasizes teamwork, shared responsibility, and coordinated actions to enhance infrastructure, connectivity, and regional integration for mutual growth and sustainability. The CWWA Conference and Exhibition promises to be a memorable experience for all participants.

Exhibition

The Exhibition is one of the highlights of this event and the largest tradeshow of its kind in the region. Forty (40) exhibitors are expected to participate in the exhibition by showcasing their products and services in the water and sanitation sectors and interacting with utility representatives, practitioners, funding agencies and decision makers. As an Exhibitor, some of the key benefits of participating include:

- 1. Access: to over 500 participants from the Caribbean, Latin America, North America, the United Kingdom and Europe.
- 2. Visibility and Brand Recognition: Exhibitors gain significant exposure to a target audience of decision-makers, development banks, government officials and industry experts from across the Caribbean and beyond.
- 3. Networking Opportunities: The Conference and Exhibition provides a unique platform for networking with potential clients, partners, and collaborators. This is an excellent opportunity to establish and strengthen relationships within the Caribbean.
- 4. Market Expansion: Engaging with the CWWA community offers insights into the regional market trends and needs, with options to identify new business opportunities.

The CWWA is committed to providing a high-quality experience for all Exhibitors at this year's event. We are pleased to offer you state of the art exhibition facilities at the Grand Caribe Hotel in San Pedro, Belize, the official venue for this year's event. Our competent and dedicated exhibition management team are ready to assist you and ensure that all your requirements are met.

Register your booth now at Exhibitor Registration or contact us directly via email at conferencecwwa@gmail.com

EXHIBITION BOOTH DESCRIPTION

Each exhibitor booth will feature a professional set-up designed to create an individual and functional display area. The booths are approximately 8×10 feet (single) and 8×20 feet (double), with curtain side draping and backdrop for a modern look. This setup provides a professional background that allows branding material to stand out.

The flooring is concrete, and the booths are arranged semi-enclosed to allow for easy foot traffic. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring banners, promotional materials and branded decorations that complement their booth.

Each booth includes:

- 1. A 6-foot covered table draped with linen
- 2. A designated waste bin
- 3. Electrical access (optional must be requested in advance)



IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Hotel link: Hotels 2025 - Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA)

Exhibitor Registration: CWWA Conference 2025 Exhibitor Registration – Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA)

General Registration: <u>CWWA Conference 2025 General Registration – Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA)</u>

Travel Guidelines for Visiting Belize

1) Airport

The country has one international airport located in the village of Ladyville (nine miles north of Belize City), called **Philip Goldson International Airport.**

From Belize City, connections can be made to various destinations within Belize, including San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, via Belize's local airline carriers and water taxi.

2) Taxis at Philip Goldson International Airport

Taxis: A taxi can be taken from the Philip Goldson International Airport to Belize City. Taxis normally charge approximately USD \$50.00.

From Belize City, there are two (2) modes of transportation to reach San Pedro, Ambergris Caye: boat charter (water taxi) or local plane carrier.

Water Taxis: There are two (2) water taxis in Belize City: San Pedro Belize Express (+501 223-2225) and Caribbean Sprinter (+501 203-0033). A round-trip ticket from Belize City to San Pedro is approximately USD \$60.00.

Airline Carriers: There are two (2) local airline carriers in Belize City: Maya Island Air (+501 223-1403) (www.mayaislandair.com) and Tropic Air (+501 226-2626) (www.tropicair.com). A round-trip ticket from Belize City to San Pedro is approximately USD \$124.00.

Flights can also be taken to San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, from the Philip Goldson International Airport for an approximate cost of USD \$192.00.

3) Currency and Exchange Rate

The Belize dollar is locked at \$2 BZ = \$1 USD. Most places readily accept USD currency. ATMs are available across the country, including San Pedro, Ambergris Caye.

4) Public Transport

The main mode of transportation in San Pedro is by golf cart. There are various golf cart rental companies on the island. Price ranges from USD \$75.00 to USD \$100.00 per day.

Taxis can also be taken and cost approximately USD \$50.00.

5) Conference Venue

The Conference venue for this year's event is the idyllic resort village of Caribeville (Grand Caribe and Sunset Caribe), located in San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize. Caribeville offers various resort amenities, including golf cart rentals, a grocery store, and an urgent care clinic, which makes it an unparalleled community.

6) Accommodation

The official conference hotels are Grand Caribe (<u>reservations@grandcaribebelize.com</u>) and Sunset Caribe (<u>reservations@sunsetcaribe.com</u>).

Reservations can also be made via the following links: https://www.grandcaribebelize.com/
https://www.sunsetcaribebelize.com/

7) Language

Belize is the only country in Central America whose official language is English. Spanish, however, is also widely spoken throughout the country.

8) Climate

Belize has a tropical climate, consisting of two (2) seasons: the wet and dry. The dry season is from November to May, with April being the driest month. The wet season is from June to November.

9) Time Zone

The time zone in Belize is Central Standard Time or Greenwich Mean Time -6 hours (GMT -6). The country does not implement daylight savings time.

Business Hours

Government departments, banking institutions, and other corporate organizations are usually open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on weekdays and closed on weekends and public holidays. Grocery stores are typically open from Monday to Saturday between 8:00 am to 9:00 pm and on Sundays between 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Restaurant hours vary, but they are typically open between 9:00 am to 10:00 pm.

10) Electricity

The standard voltage is 110/220 volts at a frequency of 60 Hz. Belize uses type A and type B power plugs and sockets.

11) Important Phone Numbers

The emergency services in Belize include the Belize Police Department, the Belize National Fire Service, Belize Emergency Response Team (medical and ambulance), and in case of national disasters including hurricanes, the National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO).

Belize City Emergency Numbers: Fire Service – 990 Police Department – 911 Medical Department – +501 223-1548 NEMO – 936

San Pedro, Ambergris Caye Emergency Numbers:

Fire Service – +501 206-2372

Police Department – 911 or +501 206-2022

Medical Department – +501 226-2536

NEMO – +501 822-0153

For mariners, the Belize Coast Guard is the first responder (+501 222-5260).

12) Visa Information

Visitors who arrive in Belize for the Conference must have a valid passport and Visa (if required). For more information on visa requirements for entry into Belize, visit the following website: <u>Visa Who Qualify – Belize</u>

You are also advised to refer to the Belize Embassy or Consulate in your residential country for the most updated and accurate information



EVENT SERVICE PROVIDER

BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee

Email: bws_logistics_exibition@bwsl.com.bz

CWWA encourages exhibitors to consider printing exhibit displays and associated marketing materials locally. This approach helps reduce shipping costs and simplifies the customs process upon entry into Belize. The quote request form can be included in this packet.

BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee can be contacted directly, and all exhibitors will work independently with BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee for additional services to enhance your exhibition experience. A partial list of services is below:

- A/V equipment LED Screens, etc.
- Decor elements
- Printing Banners, flyers, special design signs, etc. these can also be mounted on the booth.
- Plant rentals
- Cocktail tables, highchairs
- Storage cabinets
- Shelving booths
- Special effect lighting
- Elevated flooring
- Large or Medium size Truss structures for special design booths.
- Staffing/models
- Customs-related services

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SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

For all shipments originating outside of the US, for your convenience, CWWA has arranged for BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee to assist in the coordination of shipping logistics to simplify the process of clearing customs. The information provided is for informational purposes only, please confirm all details directly with the Customs Broker, BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee. For all in-country shipments, you are also advised to coordinate with BWS Logistics and Exhibition Committee for tracking & receiving.

All items should be shipped to the address below by 22nd of September 2025.

ALL BOXES MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS ON EACH BOX:

CARIBBEAN WATER & WASTEWATER ASSOCIATION (CWWA)- #225471

Andrew Young
Belize Water Services Limited
3740 WEST 104 STREET SUITE-1
HIALEAH FLA 33018
USA

PHONE NUMBER: 305-913-4933

EMAIL: BelizeTeam@hydeshipping.com

Attention – Andrew Young (501) 605-9287

It is VERY IMPORTANT that 225471 appear on ALL deliveries

For Exhibitors who want to ship items directly to Belize, please utilize the address below:

BELIZE WATER SERVICES LTD ATTN: ANDREW YOUNG 7 CENTRAL AMERICAN BLVD. BELIZE CITY, BELIZE C.A.

PHONE NUMBER: 011-501-222-4757

EMAIL ADDRESS: Logistics and Exhibition Committee

bws_logistics_exhibition@bwsl.com.bz

Below are just some of the details that will be needed to ship your packages. Your broker will provide you with all necessary information:

- All packages must include a detailed commercial invoice and a copy of the tracking information.
- Shipments sent directly to Belize via FedEx, DHL, or Post Office must arrive no later than September 22, 2025. Shipments routed through Miami must arrive in Miami no later than Friday, September 22, 2025, and will be shipped to Belize the following Wednesday. Please plan your shipments accordingly.
- Include a detailed list of all giveaway items with their corresponding values for customs purposes only. Additionally, provide a written confirmation stating that all giveaway items will be leaving the country after the event.
- For any equipment being shipped, it should be registered with Customs (the broker will assist with this). Include the brand, model, and serial number of the equipment in the documentation. Clearly state that it is a temporary importation of goods to Belize for the purpose of the conference and that at the conclusion of the event, the items will be exported back to your country.
- Grand Caribe Belize is not responsible for the safe or timely arrival of any packages. It is the group's responsibility to check upon the arrival of any packages and ensure the contents are intact. The hotel does not accept liability for lost, stolen, or damaged goods.



Exhibitor Layout



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