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The Comprehensive Transboundary Water Quality Agreement (ASCE Standard 33-09)

Presented by **April Lander**



In this lecture, Ms Lander will speak on the activities of the ASCE BIWQ Committee and ASCE Standard 33-09. This standard is the most current model for comprehensive water quality planning and management of shared water resources. It is a practical guide that provides a framework that governments can adopt or modify and is flexible for use on an international or regional scale and in a variety of geopolitical settings

Ms Lander is an ASCE Region 10 Governor and the Past President of the ASCE New Zealand Group. She has been a member of ASCE for 19 years and is a member of the Environmental and Water Resources Institute (EWRI) Border International Water Quality (BIWQ) Committee where she collaborated with international experts on the development of ASCE Standard 33-09, Comprehensive Transboundary Water Quality Management Agreement with Guidelines for Development of a Management Plan, Standards, and Criteria (ASCE 33-09).

April is experienced in the establishment of community assistance programmes, transboundary environmental impact management, and sustainable development. April was instrumental in creating the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) framework for environmental infrastructure certification in the US/Mexico border area for the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC).

Date

Monday 14 December 2015

Time

12.15 pm for 12.30 pm

Location

Cardno Conference Room 9.1
Level 9, 203 Pacific Highway
St Leonards NSW 2065

Cost

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Her work resulted in the BECC being the first institution in the world to incorporate sustainability into its operating policies and procedures including requiring infrastructure projects to meet sustainable development criteria. To date, the BECC has certified 253 projects and its sister institution, the North American Development bank, has provided more the US \$2.59 billion in financing to 215 of these projects benefiting 15 million people and the environment.

Currently, April is managing change to improve the quality of life for disabled people in New Zealand. She is working with the New Zealand Ministries of Health, Education and Social Development to transform the government-funded disability support system in a world leading, fundamental shift to give people with disabilities greater choice and control over their lives.