

# CIFA SRF WORKSHOP

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### Lead Line Inventories

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#### Countdown to Initial Inventories for Lead Lines

Learn how SRFs are supporting development of lead service line inventories. Find out how Georgia is building a database to store data collected from lead service line inventories. Learn how Minnesota is building a publicly accessible online mapping tool for data collected on lead service line inventories. Hear how Ohio developed their own template for collecting data on lead service lines to enable the efficient collection and reporting of data statewide.

**Moderator:** Cathy Tucker-Vogel, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

**Presenters:**

- Tanushree Courlas, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- David Gipson, Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
- Lisa Golphin, Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
- Chad Kolstad, Minnesota Department of Public Health

#### Meet the Moderator

##### **Cathy Tucker-Vogel, Kansas Department of Health and Environment**

Cathy Tucker-Vogel is the Public Water Supply Section Chief at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment with over 30 years of water sector work experience in the State of Kansas. As Section Chief, Cathy oversees the drinking water, water operator certification, and portions of state revolving fund programs. This includes permitting and oversight of approximately 980 water utilities serving a population of 2.8 million and the licensing of approximately 2,000 water operators. Cathy is Past President of the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA). She is also the Past Chairperson of the ASDWA Small Systems Committee and serves on the ASDWA PFAS, LCRR, and Cybersecurity workgroups. She has served on numerous EPA planning committees and workgroups at the regional and national levels and currently serves on the Kansas Section AWWA board of directors.

#### Meet the Presenters

##### **Tanushree Courlas, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency**

Tanushree Courlas is Assistant Chief in the Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters. She oversees Engineering, Asset Management and Funding. Tanushree has been employed by Ohio EPA for 17 years. Before her current position, she served as Manager of Engineering and Infrastructure section and began her public service in the field office conducting Wastewater

permitting. Prior to joining the Agency, she worked five years at a private environmental laboratory managing the inorganics section. Tanushree earned a degree in Chemical Engineering from the Ohio State University and is a licensed professional engineer in the State of Ohio.

### **David Gipson, Georgia Environmental Finance Authority**

David Gipson is the Director of Water Resources at the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA), which administers the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds. Prior to taking this role two years ago, he was the Director of Energy Resources at GEFA for 14 years. Before GEFA, David was the Assistant Director of the Sustainability Division at Georgia Department of Natural Resources, where he worked for 10 years. David has a Master of Public Administration and graduate certificate in Disaster Management from Georgia State University. He received his Bachelor of Science in Environmental Protection from Ball State University. David's certifications include Project Management Professional, Professional Energy Manager, and Certified Hazardous Materials Manager. He serves on CIFA's EPA Policy Committee and has previously served as the NASEO Southeastern States Representative.

### **Lisa Golphin, Georgia Environmental Finance Authority**

Lisa Golphin is a Water Resources Division Project Manager for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority, where she oversees the Lead Service Line Inventory Replacement funding opportunities and manages a team of five other project managers on all aspects of GEFA funding and environmental programs. Lisa has over 20 years of experience in the water industry, where she has led an extensive career in managing two decades of projects, which changed the economic landscape of the communities she served. Prior to joining GEFA, she held a number of positions and responsibilities for a local water authority, which included Engineering Supervisor and Senior Executive Strategic Planner. Lisa holds a B.S. in Agricultural Engineering from Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, GA and a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership from Mercer University, Macon, GA. Additionally, she holds certifications as a Project Management Professional, a Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt, and a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt.

### **Chad Kolstad, Minnesota Department Health**

Chad Kolstad is the Supervisor of the Infrastructure Unit in the Drinking Water Protection Section at the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). Prior to his current position, Chad has held multiple positions at MDH including Drinking Water Revolving Fund Program Coordinator, district engineer, and plan review engineer. The Infrastructure Unit acts as the technical experts for federal and state drinking water funding programs administered by the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority. Chad's team is currently focusing on administering a program that provides community water systems with technical assistance in the development of service line inventories. Chad is a registered professional engineer in Minnesota.