Wednesday, September 16

2:00pm – 5:00pm – Registration (Ballroom Foyer)
2:00pm – 2:30pm – NWC Nominating Committee (Manning)
2:30pm – 3:00pm – NWC Membership Committee (Manning)
3:00pm – 4:00pm – NWC Legislative Policy Committee (Manning)
4:00pm – 5:30pm – NWC Executive Committee (Manning)

11:00am – 2:00pm – IRPT Board of Directors Meeting (Hoffman)

5:30pm – 7:30pm – Welcome Reception – Riverview Room and Terrace
Welcome Address: The Honorable Mark Stodola, Mayor of Little Rock

Thursday, September 17

7:00am – Buffet Breakfast (Salon C)

8:30am – Welcome – Jim Oliver, General Manager, Tarrant Regional Water District; Chairman, National Waterways Conference, Inc.
(All program sessions will be held in Salon A)

Update from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Major General Donald E. (Ed) Jackson, Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations

Steven L. Stockton, Director of Civil Works

Mark L. Mazzanti, Director, Programs Integration Division, Civil Works Directorate

9:15am – Spouse Event – Meet at Main Lobby

10:00am -10:15am – Beverage Break (Foyer)

10:15am – 12:00pm

Reaping the Multiple Benefits of the Arkansas Waterways

Gene Higginbotham, Executive Director, Arkansas Waterways Commission
Ben Noble, President, Noble Strategies; Executive Director, Arkansas Rice Federation

Sherrel Johnson, Project Coordinator, Union County Water Conservation Board

Colonel Courtney W. Paul, USACE Little Rock Commander and District Engineer

**12:00pm Luncheon Speaker:** The Honorable Tim Griffin, Lieutenant Governor of Arkansas (Salon C)

**1:30pm – Keynote Address:** The Honorable Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) (Salon A)

**2:00pm General Session**

**MARAD's Focus on Waterways, Ports and Intermodal Connectors**
Lauren Brand, Associate Administrator of Intermodal System Development, Maritime Administration

**Infrastructure Financing Options and Opportunities**
Jill Jamieson, Managing Director, JLL

**Impact of the “Waters of the U.S.” Rule on Agricultural Producers**
Randy Veach, President, Arkansas Farm Bureau

**Congressional Outlook**
Stephen Martinko, Government Affairs Counselor, K&L Gates

**4:00pm – 5:00pm** - NWC General Membership Meeting

**6:00pm** – Buses depart from the front of the Marriott Hotel for transport to the Clinton Presidential Library for evening event

**6:30pm** – Cocktails and dinner Clinton Presidential Library

**Please note:** You will be required to go through a security checkpoint at the Clinton Presidential Library. Please make sure that you bring proper identification.

**Dinner Speaker:** Walt Coleman, Controller, Hiland Dairy, Little Rock, AR, and an Active Referee, National Football League

First shuttle bus to depart Clinton Presidential Library at 9:00pm
Last shuttle bus to depart Clinton Presidential Library at 9:45pm
Friday, September 18

7:30am - NWC Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting (Arkansas Ballroom)

7:30am – Buffet Breakfast (Salon C)

9:00am – 12:00pm Closing Session (Salon A)

Introduction of new NWC Officers and Directors

Federal Flood Risk Management Standard
Roy Wright, Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation, Federal Emergency Management Agency

The Importance of Arkansas’ Rivers to Local Communities
The Honorable Barry Hyde, Pulaski County Judge

Regional Efforts to Ensure Adequate, Affordable, Long-term Water Supply
Gail Melgren, Executive Director, Tri-State Water Resource Coalition

Perspectives on Critical Water Resource Issues
Julie Ufner, Associate Legislative Director, Environment, Energy, and Land Use, National Association of Counties

Arkansas Congressional Delegation

12:00pm – Adjourn