

Agenda

Tuesday, Dec. 5

- 3:00 p.m. N.D. Rural Water Systems Association Managers Meeting, *Governor's Room*
- 5:00 p.m. N.D. Rural Water Systems Association Executive Board of Directors Meeting, *Room 3130*
- 6:00 p.m. N.D. Water Resource Districts Association Board of Directors Dinner Meeting, *Room 2160*
- 7:30 p.m. Upper Sheyenne Joint Board Meeting, *Governor's Room*

Wednesday, Dec. 6

- 7:30 a.m. Registration, *Dakota Ballroom Coat Room*
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Primer on N.D. Water Managers Handbook for Water Managers, *Sheyenne/Cannonball Room*
- Mike Dwyer, moderator
 - Sean Fredricks, *Ohnstad Twichell, P.C.*
 - Jack Dwyer, *Dwyer Law Office/N.D. Water Users Association*
 - Jeff Diemert, *N.D. Water Resource Districts Association*
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Commercial Exhibit Set Up, *Courtyard*
- 8:30 a.m. N.D. Rural Water Systems Association Annual Meeting, *Heart Room*
- 11:30 a.m. Opening Luncheon, *Grand Pacific Room*
- Keynote Speaker: *Miss America 2018 Cara Mund*

Cara Mund

Cara Mund is an Ivy League Honors Graduate from Brown University headed to law school. At age 14, Cara founded North Dakota's Annual Make-A-Wish Fashion Show. For 10 years, Cara has brightened 23 Wish Kids' lives, became a "Certified Wish Granter," and raised more than \$78,500 for Make-A-Wish. In 2011, President Barack Obama recognized Cara's charitable efforts. Cara is a national dance champion and trained four summers with the Radio City Rockettes. Cara's recent work in the United States Senate and her passion for helping others ignited her own wish — to become the first Miss America from North Dakota.



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GENERAL SESSION

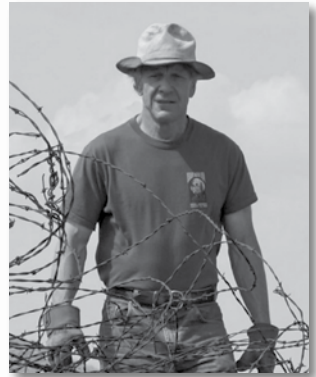
Patterson/Lamborn Room

- 1:30 p.m.** **Welcome**
- Alan Walter, N.D. Water Users Association
 - David Ashley, N.D. Water Resource Districts Association
- 1:40 p.m.** **State of Water**
- Garland Erbele, State Engineer
- 2:10 p.m.** **Northwest Area Water Supply Project Status & Future**
- Tim Frejji, N.D. State Water Commission
 - Bob Schempp, Northwest Area Water Supply
 - Dan Jonasson, City of Minot
- 2:30 p.m.** **Northwest Area Water Supply Project Litigation**
- Jennifer Verleger, Office of the Attorney General
- 2:50 p.m.** **Southwest Pipeline Project Status & Future**
- Mary Massad, Southwest Water Authority
- 3:10 p.m.** **Coffee Break**

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- 3:30 p.m.** **Western Area Water Supply Project Status & Future**
• *Jaret Wirtz, Western Area Water Supply*
- 3:50 p.m.** **Red River Valley Water Supply Project Status & Future**
• *Duane DeKrey, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District*
- 4:15 p.m.** **Resolutions Committee, N.D. Water Users/Water Resource Districts, Heart Room**
- 5:30 p.m.** **Attitude Adjustment, Courtyard**
- 5:30 p.m.** **Silent Auction Opens, Grand Pacific Room**
- 6:30 p.m.** **Western Party, Patterson/Grand Pacific Room**
• *Entertainment: Chuck Suchy*

Chuck Suchy

Chuck Suchy is the real thing—one of the foremost musical voices of the American Great Plains. A working farmer, born and raised and at home in the blue hills along the Missouri River south of Mandan, N.D., Suchy has a love for making music that goes back to his childhood. Throughout his youth and young adult life, he found time to perform in the area's halls, clubs and lounges, singing and playing guitar and accordion. Suchy has continued to write, sing, and record songs evoking and extolling the Great Plains region and lifestyle. His themes have expanded to include songs about human relationships, spirituality, motorcycles, and even sailing. The Plains have seen a lot of change over this time, including farm crises, loss of population, and a major restructuring of the agricultural economy. Suchy remains an astute observer of it all, and his songs chronicle not only the events, but the emotions and feelings that accompany such upheaval and change.



Thursday, Dec. 7

- 7:00 a.m.** **Prayer Breakfast, Sheyenne/Cannonball Room**
• *Keynote Speaker: Miss America 2018 Cara Mund*

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Patterson/Lamborn Room

- 8:00 a.m. **Commercial Exhibits, Courtyard**
- 8:30 a.m. **Municipal and Rural Water Supply Needs**
• *Mike Dwyer, moderator*
• *Blake Crosby, N.D. League of Cities*
• *Eric Volk, N.D. Rural Water Systems Association*
- 9:00 a.m. **Federal Water Issues**
• *Mike Dwyer, moderator*
• *Jeff Diemert, N.D. Water Users Association*
• *Dave Koland, Past National Water Resources Assoc. President*
- 9:20 a.m. **Weather Modification in North Dakota**
• *Darin Langerud, N.D. State Water Commission*
• *Neil Brackin, Weather Modification International*
- 10:00 a.m. **Coffee Break**
- 10:20 a.m. **Upper Maple River Dam: Local Water Management**
• *Mike Opat, Moore Engineering, Inc.*
- 10:40 a.m. **NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program**
• *Keith Weston, Red River Retention Authority*
• *Pat Downs, Moore Engineering, Inc.*
- 11:00 a.m. **N.D. Water History**
• *Mike Dwyer, N.D. Water Education Foundation*
- 11:15 a.m. **Elections, N.D. Water Users Board of Directors**
- 11:30 a.m. **Adjourn for Meetings/Buffer Luncheon, Courtyard and Patterson/Lamborn Room**
- Noon **Concurrent Joint Board and Annual Meetings**
• *Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board Meeting, Sheyenne Room*
• *Red River Joint Board Meeting, Cannonball Room*
• *Missouri River Joint Board Meeting, Heart Room*
• *Souris River Joint Board Meeting, Governor's Room*
• *N.D. Irrigation Association Annual Member Meeting, Grand Pacific Room*

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- 2:00 p.m.** **N.D. Congressional Delegation Videos**
- 2:20 p.m.** **Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection Project**
• *Ryan Ackerman, Souris River Joint Board*
- 3:00 p.m.** **Coffee Break**
- 3:30 p.m.** **Fargo-Moorhead Diversion Project**
• *City Commissioner Tony Grindberg, City of Fargo*
- 4:15 p.m.** **N.D. Water Users/Water Resource Districts Resolutions**
– **Final Adoption, Heart Room**
- 5:30 p.m.** **Social Hour, Courtyard**
- 6:30 p.m.** **Awards Banquet, Patterson/Lamborn Room**
• *Entertainment: Strolling Strings*

Strolling Strings

The Strolling Strings of Bismarck is a performing organization sponsored by Bismarck Public Schools. The group of 50 string players on violin, viola, cello, and string bass has committed to memorizing a 20-piece, 45-minute program of light classical and popular music. Its usual performance is for an audience seated at tables for a dinner or banquet. The show will include the performers playing in a large circle around the room, as well as strolling right up next to the guests and “getting a little rosin dust in their soup!”



Friday, Dec. 8

- 7:00 a.m.** **N.D. Water Users Association Board Meeting, Grand Pacific Room**
- 8:30 a.m.** **N.D. Irrigation Association Board Meeting, Grand Pacific Room**
- 9:00 a.m.** **N.D. State Water Commission Meeting, Lamborn Room**

Bismarck Irrigation Workshop

*Sponsored by the North Dakota Water Users Association, the North Dakota Irrigation Association and NDSU Extension Service.
You can register at the door.*

Thursday, Dec. 7 *Grand Pacific Room*

- 7:30 a.m.** **Registration and Irrigation Exposition**
- 9:00 a.m.** • **Irrigation Water Management Survey**, *Tom Scherer*
• **Irrigation Operations at the Oakes Irrigation Research Site**, *Kelly Cooper*
• **Water Permits, Water Appropriation and Pending Permit Applications**, *State Water Commission staff*
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.** **Break**
- 10:15 a.m.** • **Mapping Aquifers Using Airborne Electromagnetic Surveys**, *Dave Hisz*
• **Irrigation Management and Research at Nesson Valley**, *Tyler Tjelde*
• **Irrigation Developments Along the McClusky Canal**, *Kip Kovar*
- 11:30 a.m.** **North Dakota Irrigation Association Annual Meeting**
(Lunch is included in the registration fee)
- 1:00 p.m.** • **Economics of Irrigation: McClusky Canal and Regional Impacts**, *David Saxowsky*
• **Irrigated Pasture and Cover Crops**, *Kenny Miller*
• **NRCS EQIP Precision Irrigation Projects**, *Erica Altoff*
• **Use of UASs for Crop Production on Dryland and Irrigated Fields**, *Paolo Flores*
• **Herbicide-resistant Weeds**, *Tom Peters*
• **Workshop Survey**