

BCGWA 2026 TRADE SHOW, CONVENTION, AND AGM

COAST KAMLOOPS HOTEL

1250 Rogers Way, Kamloops BC V1S-1N5

APRIL 9 - 11, 2026

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PRELIMINARY EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
April 9	Thursday	7:30 am - 4:00 pm	Foyer	Registration Desk Open
		7:30 am - 8:30 am	Hilltop	Breakfast for Training Course Participants
		8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Columbia Room	Pump Installers Course
		8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Ida	Drillers Course
		8:00am - 1:00pm	Salon A	Water Rights Basics for Groundwater Users in BC – Mike Wei
		1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Ballroom	Trade Show Set-Up
		4:00pm – 4:30pm	Ballroom	Exhibitor, Manufacture, and Supplier Meeting – Bret Tregarthen
		12:00pm – 1:00pm	Hilltop	Lunch for Training Course Participants
		1:00 pm -1:30 pm	Hilltop	Thom Hanna. PG , Technical Director Water Well Products/Hydrogeologist, Johnson Screens– Material Selection and Well Design for Constructing Good Value Wells for the Owner
		1:30 pm-2:00 pm		David Wallace , Technical Lead, Bureau Veritas– Water Sampling and Submission to Labs
		2:00 pm–2:30 pm		Ineke Kalwij, PH.D., P.Eng. , Kalwij Water Dynamics Inc.– The Groundwater Project
		2:30 pm -3:00 pm	Foyer	Coffee break and Networking
		3:00 pm -4:00 pm	Hilltop	Seth Kellogg – President NGWA and Geosyntec , Emerging Contaminants and Challenges facing the Groundwater Industry
		4:00pm - 4:30pm		Adam Patrick – Apprentice Advisor, Skilled Trades BC
4:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Ballroom	Trade Show Meet 'n Greet with the Exhibitors Special Guest, Clinton Gray - On the go Magic and Illusion		
April 10	Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Foyer	Registration Desk Open
		7:30 am - 9:00 am	Hilltop	Breakfast and Opening Remarks
		9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Ballroom	Trade Show Open – Open to Schools 9-11am
		8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Salon B, Ida, Salon A	Drillers Course (Geotech/Env –IDA, WWD –SalonB), Pump Installers Course – Salon A

		9:00 am - 9:30 am	Hilltop	Michael Zima, Hydrogeologist, WSP – The Hills have Lies – Considerations and Pitfalls in Groundwater Contouring
		9:30 am –10:00 am		Trenton Grover, BC Crane Safety – Mobile Cranes and Rigging
		10:00 am - 10:30am	Ballroom	Coffee Break and Networking with Exhibitors
		10:30am - 11:00am	Hilltop	Warren Grafton or Kaylee Barnes, Western Water and Matt Rusaw, RDE Drilling- Free-Flowing...Until It Isn't: Drilling Surprises in the Chilcotin
		11:00am - 11:30am		Phillip Jackson, Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner Fourways Environmental – Septic systems and other contamination sources. Learn about LUST
		11:30am - 12:00pm	Hilltop	Nathan Lustig, BSc, BIT Fisheries Biologist, Scw'exmx Tribal Council - Groundwater Upwelling and the Importance of Groundwater to Fish
		12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Hilltop/Ballroom	Lunch – Games, Presentations with Exhibitors
		1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Hilltop	KEYNOTE - Bruce Davidson – Concerned Walkerton citizens Group Walkerton 25 Years Later
		1:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Salon A	STBC Exams
		2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Ballroom	Coffee Break and Networking with Exhibitors
		3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Hilltop	Amy Sloma Unit Head, Aquifer and Watershed Science and Melissa Wade , Regional Hydrogeologist, Watershed Stewardship and Security Branch - WLRs Provincial Update
		3:30 pm- 4:00pm		Ron Nelson , Precision Service & Pumps Inc. – Sullivan Mine Tragedy – Confined Space Incident – 20 years later
		3:00pm – 6:00pm	Ballroom	Trade Show Take down
		6:00 pm - 12:00 pm	Hilltop	President's Gala Banquet President's Address – Marta Green, Presenting Sponsor address Auction and Entertainment: Jeff Hay

Saturday April 11, 2026

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		9:00am to 12:00pm	Vista Room	Breakfast and AGM