



**LINDA HANIFIN BONNER, PH.D, CAE, SELECTED
TO MANAGE THE WATER DESIGN-BUILD COUNCIL**

Linda Hanifin Bonner, Ph.D., CAE, selected as the new Operations Manager for the Water Design-Build Council in 2011, is the owner of Hanifin Management Services, LLC, an organization specializing in providing leadership and association management services for not-for-profit organizations. Her former company, Hanifin Associates, is well known within the water and wastewater industry in providing strategic planning and communication services to governments and engineering organizations.

Dr. Hanifin Bonner's career began in environmental planning, addressing communications and outreach needs affecting the public's acceptance water and wastewater infrastructure projects in Montgomery County, MD. In launching her own consulting practice she continued focusing on communications and public policy decision making in the acceptance and implementation of water quality projects. Her clients include the U.S. EPA, numerous state and local governments and utilities, operating from two offices in Newport News, VA and Laurel, MD. As an association manager, her work continued within the water quality industry where she served as the Executive Director for the National Onsite Wastewater Association, the Maryland Onsite Professionals Association, and as the Interim Executive Director for the Excellence Through Stewardship, a biotechnology industry association. Her current work in the Washington, DC/Baltimore, MD metropolitan areas has been directed to financial operations, strategic leadership and management, board governance and communications for not-for-profit associations.

"As WDBC's Operations Manager, I am committed to continuing the great work of the organization and supporting the Board and its members in its leadership role to educate and assist communities and utility providers in achieving their goals and objectives to protect and enhance the water quality infrastructure while facing unique environmental and economic challenges." "It is evident from the research that has been produced and proven experience, that Design-build and CMAR are efficient and effective delivery methods that are capable of reducing costs, shortening schedules, and improving the quality of construction through owner, designer, and builder collaboration." A major priority for the WDBC is to effectively convey this essential information to community leaders as they make important decisions about how to best deliver their water and wastewater infrastructure needs with limited financial resources," she concluded.

Peter Kinsley, Board Member stated, I speak for the Board when I say that we look forward to working with Linda and seeing the Council grow through her leadership support.

About the Water Design-Build Council

The Water Design-Build Council is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting best practices for the application of design-build and construction management at-risk in water and wastewater projects in North America. Above all, these best practices should enable owners to realize maximum value through superior design and construction, speed, cost savings, and focused accountability.

In January 2011 the Council released the second edition of *The Municipal Water and Wastewater Design-Build Handbook*, which provides guidance to municipalities on the benefits and challenges of choosing alternative delivery approaches such as design-build and CMAR. Municipal owners of water and wastewater systems around the nation are urged to visit the Council's website and to download the new handbook to learn about the potential advantages to cost, quality, and speed of design and construction when using alternative delivery.

For more information about the Water Design-Build Council, please visit www.waterdesignbuild.org.