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Governor's Water Conference in Manhattan

The Governor's Water Conference will address relevant and current water resource issues as well as the continued implementation of the *Kansas Water Vision*. Governor Sam Brownback will address the progress made on his call to action in 2013 for a 50-Year Vision for meeting Kansas water supply current and future needs as well as a challenge going forward. Lt. Governor Coyler will also be sharing comments.

The conference speakers include:

- Jim Gulliford, EPA Region 7 Administrator
- Michael J. Teague, Oklahoma Energy & Environment, Secretary
- Four Panels highlighting different water topics, Water and Emergency Response; Public Water Supply and Agriculture – Solving non-point source pollution problems together; Overcoming Water Scarcity – The Israeli Approach; Sustainability Initiatives in Ag; The Farm Bill's Role in Water and Natural Resource Management
- Robin Jennison, Kansas Department of Wildlife Parks and Tourism, Secretary

The third Water Legacy Award will also be presented as well as 2017 Be the Vision recipients. *To view the agenda for a complete list of speakers and panelists for both days visit: <u>www.kwo.ks.gov</u>.* 

This event is open to credentialed members of the media. *Please RSVP to the Kansas Water Office by phone (785) 296-3185 or email Katie Patterson-Ingels, Communications Director at katie.ingels@kwo.ks.gov.* 

The Governor's Conference on the Future of Water in Kansas is co-sponsored by the Kansas Water Office (KWO), Kansas Water Resources Institute/K-State and Kansas Geological Survey/KU. Major sponsors for the event include Black & Veatch, Burns & McDonnell and Great Lakes Dredge & Dock.