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## Sustainability Conference Speaker

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#### **Conference Presentation:**

Wednesday, September 22nd

**Time:** 10:15 am

Brandon Bowman is ORWA Programs Manager for the Oklahoma Rural Water Association, a position he accepted in 2021. At ORWA, he directs assistance to rural water and wastewater systems to improve their technical, managerial, and financial capabilities. Mr. Bowman also provides training and assistance to system personnel focused on improving sustainability via water loss reduction, improved rates, effective asset management, source water protection, and emergency response planning.

Before joining ORWA, Brandon completed a 22-year career with the Oklahoma Dept. of Environmental Quality as an inspector and environmental programs manager. At ODEQ, Brandon expanded the agency's capacity development program, developing and implementing the state's Water Loss Auditing and Control Program, the state's Lead Testing in School and Child Care Center Drinking Water Program, and instituted a capacity development baseline assessment program. Together, these programs have saved Oklahoma water systems almost over 1.2 billion gallons per year in recovered lost water (valued at over \$3 Million), identified and removed lead from drinking water in at least 8 Oklahoma schools, and put in place the first and only state-wide tracking mechanism to measure water system sustainability.

Brandon is a fifth generation Oklahoman and holds a Bachelor's of Science in Environmental Science and a Master of Public Administration, both from the University of Oklahoma. He lives in Moore, Oklahoma.