

# GROWTH SUMMIT

## H2O: What You Should Know

**Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – Sanford Event Barn – Sioux Falls, SD**

### AGENDA

- 8:00 – 8:45 AM **Registration & Breakfast** / Compliments of: MidAmerican Energy  
8:50 AM **Kickoff / Welcome:** Sharese Ihnen, SMGA Chairwoman
- 9:00 – 9:45 AM **A.M. Keynote:** History on Water Development: How Did We Get Here?  
*Troy Larson, Executive Director, Lewis & Clark Regional Water System*
- 9:50 – 10:40 AM **Panel:** Current Conditions on Water: Federal and State Roles, Responsibilities, and Perspectives  
*Moderator: Tyler Tordsen, President & CEO, SMGA*  
*Panelists: Andy Bruels, Director, SD DANR*  
*Benjamin Ready, Southeast Regional Director, U.S. Senator John Thune*  
*Lucas Heitkamp, Legislative Assistant, U.S. Senator Mike Rounds*
- 10:40 – 11:00 AM **Break** / Compliments of: First Premier Bank  
11:00 – Noon **Panel:** Current Conditions on Water: Demands Today and Planning for Future Growth  
*Moderator: Scott Stern, former SD GOED Commissioner*  
*Panelists: Mark Cotter, Director of Public Works, City of Sioux Falls*  
*Kurt Pfeifle, Executive Director, Dakota Mainstem Regional Water System*  
*Troy Larson, Executive Director, Lewis & Clark Regional Water System*
- Noon – 12:45 PM **Lunch** / Compliments of: DGR Engineering  
12:45-1:00 PM **Water Tower 101** with Maguire  
*Presenter: Brian Cooper, VP of Business Development, Maguire*
- 1:00 – 1:45 PM **Panel:** Preservation, Protection and Development: The Value of Water  
*Moderator: Steve Watson*  
*Panelists: Sec. Hunter Roberts, SD Dept of Ag and Natural Resources*  
*Rep. Mike Weisgram, State Representative, District 24*
- 1:45 – 2:00 PM **Break** / Compliments of: Pinpoint Corporation  
2:00 – 2:55 PM **P.M. Keynote:** The Future of Water: New Strategies and Sustainability  
*Kyle Granowski, Co-Founder, R3 Sustainability*
- 2:55 PM **Closing Comments:** Tyler Tordsen, SMGA  
3:00 – 4:30 PM **Social Hour** / Compliments of: ISG, Inc.

### **Water Works Putt Putt Golf Challenge**

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