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Preface

We are excited to offer an engaging and challenging array of technical sessions, posters, and accompanying published papers at our Environmental and Water Resources Institute's (EWRI) 16th annual Congress in West Palm Beach, Florida. This meeting is a leading venue for professional interaction among engineers and scientists, covering disciplines relating to the needs of critical infrastructure in water and environment. As is pointed out in the American Society of Civil Engineers' Report Card for America's Infrastructure, an investment of over \$3.6 trillion is needed to return the nation's infrastructure to a state of good repair. This Congress contributes in many ways to innovative solutions to this critical problem. We proudly host the meeting under the auspices of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).

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- **Symposium: Hydro-Climate/Climate Change (Committee)** whose purpose is to provide a formal organizational structure within ASCE/EWRI for addressing the various engineering problems that are created by hydroclimate phenomena and climate change, fostering their science-based engineering solutions.

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