Anderson to Serve as New FSAWWA Chair

Richard Anderson will serve as the 2011 chair of the Florida Section, American Water Works Association, succeeding outgoing chair Chuck Carden on December 1 during the Section’s Fall Conference.

Anderson is system operations manager for the Peace River/Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority, an independent special district of the state of Florida whose mission is to provide reliable supplies of high-quality water to four member agencies—Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee and Sarasota counties—for a regional population of more than 900,000 people. A graduate of the University of South Florida, he has over 16 years of utility operations, process control, and project management experience. He is licensed in both Florida and Georgia for water plant operation.

Anderson, a native Floridian, was born in Pinellas County and grew up “on the water” in Tarpon Springs. He enjoys boating, fishing, travel, and spending time with his wife Kristi and their two teenage children, Rachel and Zach.

Anderson has served the Florida Section as Region IV chair, Public Affairs Council chair, trustee, Section vice chair, and chair-elect prior to his term as Section chair. He credits his AWWA involvement with providing networking opportunities, business contacts, and friendships across the industry. “I’ve had the good fortune to meet the best of the best in the water industry,” he said. “That couldn’t have happened without FSAWWA.”

On leading the Florida Section next year Anderson added, “It is a tremendous honor to have the opportunity to pilot the Florida Section ship in 2011. FSAWWA has a reputation and history of high-caliber, outstanding leaders. It is humbling to know that...