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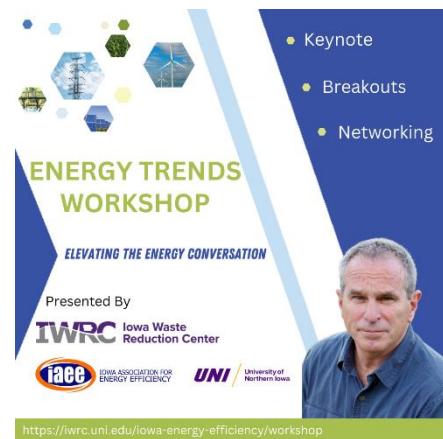
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Mission: To enhance business and organizational efficiency through quality and innovative environmental programming across Iowa and throughout the country.

## Announcements

### Energy Trends Workshop *Registration Now Open*



Registration for the second annual [Energy Trends Workshop](#) is now open! Join us for this one-day workshop as we focus on the current and future energy trends in Iowa. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn from and network with energy experts, consultants, industry professionals and government agencies with the goal of elevating the energy conversation in Iowa.

**Date:** May 4, 2023

**Time:** 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

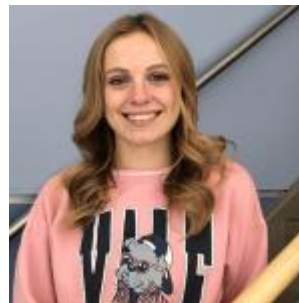
**Location:** West Des Moines Marriott

**Tickets:** \$75/person

\$60/person for IAEE Members ONLY

[Register Today!](#)

## IWRC Welcomes New Environmental Intern



Join us in welcoming the newest member of the IWRC team!

[Kendall Lieneman](#) is one of two Environmental Interns. Kendall is responsible for conducting research, database management and assisting other IWRC staff with their various programs, including food waste, painter training, air quality, and more. Kendall is in her junior year at the University of Northern Iowa majoring in Biology and minoring in Business Concepts.

"I'm excited to help a great organization create change. I like how the IWRC works with small businesses and I am excited to put my business course work to great use. I hope to learn more about what the IWRC does and I'm ready to meet some new people."

Outside of work Kendall enjoys lifting, hiking, hanging out with friends, and shopping.

We are so excited to add Kendall to the IWRC team!

[Welcome Kendall](#)

## ISOSWO Spring Conference Student Scholarship Applications are Now Open

March 30-31 in Ames, IA

This year ISOSWO is sponsoring up to 10 students to attend the spring conference in Ames, Iowa, with two full-ride sponsorships for out-of-town students (includes lodging in addition to conference registration and meals).

The Iowa Society of Solid Waste Operations (ISOSWO) [Spring Conference](#) is an event where



individuals working within the solid waste industry meet to learn how to protect groundwater, improve operations, collect, process, and market recyclable materials, share best practices with message outreach, and discuss solid waste policies that affect our communities and occupational safety practices. It attracts a variety of individual occupations from policy makers, engineers, planners, scientists, managers, marketing, and other environmental science fields.

**Applications are due February 27, 2023.**

[Apply Today!](#)

## Important Reminders

### Iowa Minor Source Emissions Inventory Assistance

**Facilities in the Central third of Iowa and portable plants must submit their 2022 MSEI by May 15, 2023.**

The IWRC's Iowa Air Emissions Assistance Program has many resources available to help including tutorials, calculators, checklists, and even one-on-one training sessions at no charge for Iowa businesses with less than 100 employees.

For questions or assistance, contact [jennifer.wittenburg@uni.edu](mailto:jennifer.wittenburg@uni.edu) or visit <https://iwrc.uni.edu/msei>

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# Industry News

## | Recycling |

[Iowa Business to Open Facility in Fairfax to Recycle Wind Turbine Blades](#)  
(KCRG)

## | Food Waste |

[How Technology is Empowering Food Rescue](#)  
(ReFED)

## | Sustainability |

[Sustainability goals should focus on business practices first](#)  
(TechTarget)

## | Energy Efficiency |

[New Report Showcases the Far-Reaching Benefits of Energy Efficiency](#)  
(Renewable Energy Magazine)

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