

## Idaho Section of the American Water Resources Association (IDAWRA) Speed Networking event for students

The purpose of the IDAWRA Speed Networking event is to allow undergraduate and graduate students to quickly meet and network with a variety of professionals from various water resources disciplines. It benefits both students who are just starting to explore their career options and those ready to join the workforce. Students learn about experiences and opportunities that are available in various water resources vocations and how water, as a career, is evolving.

More than 60 students (undergraduate, graduate, and post-doctoral) participated in the 2015 Speed Networking on April 2. One or two professionals joined small groups of the students to discuss topics of their choice, such as their careers, what their typical day is like, career options in water, growth industries and emerging fields, or graduate degrees - pros and cons. Students can ask questions at any time. After 15 minutes, the students rotated to another group. Students had an opportunity to meet all least 9 professionals.

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