BREAKOUT SESSION DESCRIPTION

The afternoon portion of the agenda involves breakout sessions intended to enhance interaction among workshop participants and explore areas of consensus. There will be four breakout sessions corresponding to the four research thematic areas provided in the read-ahead materials and discussed during the morning session. These themes are:

Thematic Topic 1: Water Quality and Human Health

Thematic Topic 2: Performance Reliability (Treatment, Operations, and Training)

Thematic Topic 3: Ambient Water Effects

Thematic Topic 4: Financial, Environmental, and Social Factors of Water Reuse

Workshop attendees will participate in all four breakout sessions, rotating among them after 30 minutes. A facilitator for each breakout theme will serve in all four group rotations and integrate findings among them.

The goal of the breakout sessions is to assess whether there is high level agreement about the research themes and begin prioritizing among research themes and specific research needs. The questions that will be addressed in each breakout session are:

1) Was the state of the knowledge for each research theme sufficiently captured in the research summary documents and the presentations?

2) Are there important or additional research needs that were not identified in the summary documents?

3) Which identified research themes should receive the highest priority?

4) Which identified research topics within the themes should receive the highest priority?