

HCWA Received Platinum Award

Heard County Water Authority announced on April 27, 2020 it received the Platinum Award at the Steve Lipford Water Treatment Plant. The Award is administered by the Georgia Association of Water Professionals.

The Platinum Award to the Steve Lipford Water Treatment Plant is for **seven** (7) consecutive years of 100-percent permit compliance, in accordance with Federal and State Safe Drinking Water Acts. Heard County Water Authority is very proud in receiving this accolade as we continue to provide quality drinking water and safe treatment of wastewater for our community.

Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP) is a not-for-profit Association with current membership of over 4,000 water and wastewater treatment plant operators and managers, municipal and industrial officials, engineers, manufacturers, and others concerned with Georgia's water resources. GAWP membership consists largely of the professionals who implement state and federal water supply, water protection, and water resources laws and regulations. GAWP's chief purpose is to educate and assist those who have an interest in the proper management and protection of Georgia's water resources.

Founded in 1932, GAWP started the first license program for water professionals in Georgia. For 88 years, GAWP has provided the bulk of certified professional training for water and wastewater operators in Georgia. GAWP is formally affiliated with several other national professional organizations, including the American Water Works Association, Water Environment Federation, American Water Resources Association, and the Georgia Water Wise Council. GAWP is a respected and welcomed authority on water-related issues and is routinely contacted by the media, elected officials, and the public for accurate water-related information and assistance.