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Water Conference, SCWA to Host Forum Seeking Protection of LI Ratepayers

*Drinking Water Quality Forum to Focus on Legislative Priorities,
Ensuring New Regulations Come with Sufficient State Funding*

The Long Island Water Conference and Suffolk County Water Authority will co-host a **Drinking Water Quality Forum in Hauppauge tomorrow** to share their top legislative priorities for 2019 and urge state officials to protect both the quality of Long Island's drinking water and its ratepayers.

“There is no higher priority than ensuring that Long Islanders continue to have a drinking water supply of the highest quality, and for that reason we fully support establishing tough regulations for emerging contaminants that have polluted Long Island's groundwater,” said SCWA Chairman Patrick Halpin. “But such regulations will require enormous infrastructure investment by water suppliers, and so must come with sufficient state funding to prevent water rates from skyrocketing. We are actively pursuing legal action to make the polluters pay for their actions, but those cases could take years to conclude.”

What: LIWC/SCWA Drinking Water Quality Forum

**Where: SCWA Education Center, 260 Motor Parkway,
Hauppauge**

When: Thursday, February 14, 11 a.m.