



Breanne Padilla: I began my career with PERC Water in December 2018 as an Operator-in-Training (OIT) at the ARC Advanced Water Treatment Facility (AWTF) in Pico Rivera during the facility's start-up and commissioning phase. In August 2019, I passed the T2 exam, obtained my certification, and was promoted to Operator.

Following the successful completion of the ARC AWTF project, I transferred to the LJV AWTF in Long Beach in April 2020 to support the start-up of that facility. In July 2021, I passed the Wastewater Grade 3 exam, obtained my certification, and was promoted to Lead Operator.

In early 2022, I transferred to the SWIP AWTF in the City of Santa Monica to assist with the start-up and commissioning phase. In April 2022, I passed the Advanced Water Treatment Operator (AWTO) Grade 3 exam and obtained my certification. In December 2023, I passed the Wastewater Grade 5 exam, achieved certification, and was promoted to Chief Plant Operator (CPO) of the SWIP AWTF.

Since then, I have obtained my Advanced Water Grade 5 certification and currently serve as the CPO for two WRD facilities.