

## ASSOCIATED WIRE ROPE FABRICATORS

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To all AWRF Members,

On behalf of the AWRF Board of Directors and JAGwire Management our hearts go out to all those impacted by the COVID-19 virus including those diagnosed with the virus, their families and the many whose jobs have been affected.

After much deliberation and evaluation of current and possible future conditions, the AWRF Board of Directors and the Association's Management Staff is announcing today that the AWRF Fall General Meeting and Product Information Exhibition in Denver, Colorado will be cancelled.

The current Denver convention social distancing guidelines and meeting capacity limits, makes the opportunity of an AWRF meeting, essentially, impossible to hold. This decision was made after careful review of the most recent facts from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the Visit Denver Convention Agency.

Primarily, the decision was made with the health, safety and well-being of our members, management team, speakers and the community at large.

We understand this outcome is not ideal but we feel it is important for us to do our part in protecting the health and safety of our members, their families, speakers, staff and vendors.

The Board of Directors appreciates the time, effort, and resources that you have put into preparing for this event. Like you, we have been working hard and were looking forward to coming together to network with customers and learn about new innovations.

In the almost 45-year history of AWRF this will be the first time that both semi-annual meetings in the same year have been cancelled. With that in mind, our next meeting will be in Wailea, Hawaii April  $25_{th} - 28_{th}$ , 2021.

On behalf of the AWRF Board of Directors, I would like to thank you for your patience throughout this decision-making process and your commitment to your association.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Gilbert

**AWRF Chief Executive** 

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