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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MARCH 16, 2020

The COVID-19 virus outbreak has officially been considered a Civil Emergency in Maine as of Sunday, March 15, 2020. As such, MEWEA finds it prudent to update the membership on our current conversations regarding upcoming MEWEA events; we find it equally prudent to provide the general guidance from WEF, our parent association, for specific safety protocols for clean water facilities and water professionals.

UPCOMING MEWEA EVENTS NOTIFICATION

Unfortunately, **MEWEA will be cancelling our Spring Conference event**, originally planned for April 3 at the Black Bear Inn in Orono, Maine. MEWEA will be in close coordination with other organizations to help ensure training credits are available later in the year when the Civil Emergency status is lifted. Any prior registrations and sponsorships through Maine Municipal Association will be refunded via check in the upcoming weeks.

Our **March 27 Ski Day event will be cancelled**, and will not be re-scheduled for 2020. Any prior registrations and sponsorships through Maine Municipal Association will be refunded via check in the upcoming weeks.

Our **Annual Strategic Planning Session, originally planned for April 2nd, will be cancelled**, and may be rescheduled at a later date. We will update the membership as more information on this topic becomes available.

In replacement of the Strategic Planning Session, at 9:00 AM on April 2nd, MEWEA will have an Executive Board Meeting, which will be held as a remote call-in meeting, with no in-person location provided. A call-in number will be provided on the MEWEA website prior to the meeting for members to call in.

We are also strongly suggesting MEWEA committee meetings be suspended or held through remote teleconferences until the State of Maine Civil Emergency is lifted. This decision and specific information for MEWEA committee meetings will be the responsibility of each Committee Chair.

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR WATER PROFESSIONALS

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) has released materials to inform and update water professionals about the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Whereas we are aware this information is continually developing, we find it prudent to provide a link to WEF information, which will be updated with the most recent information available to them, from the MEWEA Website, <https://www.mewea.org/>

Please feel free to be in contact should you have additional questions on this item.

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