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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June 1, 2020

Happy June, MEWEA members! As we progress towards the summer months, the association leadership has several updates to provide to our members:

UPCOMING EVENTS

The June 12 executive board meeting will be held virtually. If you are interested in attending, please let me know and I will provide any member the meeting login information.

The executive board is in the process of reviewing options for our Fall Convention, currently planned for September. Please be on the lookout for a survey regarding membership training and networking preferences!

2020 CLEAN WATERSHEDS NEEDS SURVEY

As was notified in an e-mail to facilities in May, MaineDEP (DEP) is reaching out to all Maine municipal and quasi-municipal wastewater entities and stormwater groups to gather information on the state's wastewater and stormwater infrastructure via the 2020 Clean Watersheds "Needs Survey" (CWNS). What we need from membership is the wastewater and stormwater needs information that reflects the current situation in your system by completing the survey. The CWNS is located at <https://www.maine.gov/dep/water/wwtreatment/index.html>.

Please note that if federal funding becomes available for wastewater and/or stormwater projects through National Infrastructure Stimulus funding, MaineDEP will only be accepting applications for stimulus funded projects that have been reported to us in response to the 2020 Clean Watersheds Needs Survey.

AWARDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Operations Challenge is still looking for one more team member for 2020. Please contact Rob Pontau, rpontau@brunswicksewer.org, if you have interest in this exciting opportunity.

MEWEA has a substantial recognition program, providing a number of awards for outstanding association members. With many of us taking on new responsibilities and stepping up to new challenges, now is as good a time as ever to submit an application for a worthy member. Please find additional information at the following link: <https://www.mewea.org/recognition-program/>

NEWEA awards nomination deadline has been extended through June 19. MEWEA is also seeking nominations for the Pelouin Award and Operator of the Year Award, as administered through NEWEA, with information here: <https://www.newea.org/about-us/awards/>

UPDATED CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION FOR WATER PROFESSIONALS

WEF, NEWEA, and the CDC have released materials to inform 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 this information from the MEWEA Website, <https://www.mewea.org/>

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