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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

October 15, 2021

Dear MEWEA Member,

It has been while since I've sent out a president's message. We had our annual Fall Convention at Sunday River last month. I spoke with many of you there and all seemed to be enjoying themselves. We had some great sessions this year thanks to our PAC Chair Charlene Poulin. Travis Mills gave a fantastic message during session 4 on Thursday. We have a new slate of officers for 2022 which are Dave Beauchamp as President, Tim Wade as Vice President, and Gretchen Anderson as 2nd Vice President. These three will usher in a new era of cooperation and continued collaboration with other associations, namely Maine Water Utilities Association (MWUA). The Executive Committee voted this morning to move our administrative contract from MMA to MWUA for 2022. I would like to thank the MMA staff for all the years of service that they provided for our association. As we look to the future MEWEA, and MWUA will continue to pool our resources towards a common goal of One Water. The last few years have been very challenging for all of us. Between PFAS, Covid, Nutrient Limits, and various other obstacles that are thrown on top of our daily tasks we are all being spread quite thin. As has always been the case in our industry we will rise to the challenge of anything thrown our way. We made it through Dioxin, we made it through Mercury, we will make it through PFAS as long as science is allowed to lead the way and opinions and conjecture are left on the side lines where they belong. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me. ptucker@yorksewerdistrict.org.

Sincerely,

Philip J Tucker
President

