

Good Day MEWEA members. I would like to start by thanking all who reached out to there respective state representatives in regard to LD 1911. PFAS treatment, remediation and disposal of biosolids continue to be not only a hot topic but also a challenge that we all face in this industry. Our Government affairs committee led by Emily Prescott and Amanda Smith continue to stay ahead and aware of these issues and have done an amazing job keeping MEWEA and its members in the forefront of these issues.

MEWEA has a number of upcoming events and I urge all members to spend some time at one of the multiple events in 2022. Zac Henderson is working on a Clean water act 50th celebration that will be held this fall and promises to be worthy of 50 years of success in water quality. The annual Spring conference will be held in Bangor at the Black Bear Inn on April 1st. Ski day this year will be held on March 17th at Saddleback in Rangeley. This year we are teaming up with NHWPCA and should be a great chance to enjoy some late winter skiing and networking. There are also a number of JETCC training programs coming up this year, so I encourage everyone to visit the events page of website for more details. https://mewea.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_jevents&Itemid=115&task=.

The MEWEA sub committees continue to play an active role in the success of this organization. There are a number of committees that serve all aspects of water, wastewater and stormwater. I urge everyone to get involved at the committee level as it offers great education, networking and collaboration. Please reach out to the committee chars or myself, or anyone on the board if there is a committee you have interest in.

I look forward to seeing you all out and about throughout the coming year. Be well and Be safe.

Dave Beauchamp