



REPORT TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Year To-Date 2009 Summary

Technical Assistance Provided

1961 Community Systems Visited

Training Provided Statewide

Classes

Individuals Trained

126

1917

Highlighting Training & Technical Assistance Provided

COMMUNITY PWS RURAL WATER MEMBERS	
WI RURAL WATER DISTRICT	NUMBER OF SYSTEM MEMBERS
1 (NE)	96
2 (SE)	234
3 (Central)	105
4 (NW)	100
5 (SW)	123
TOTAL	658

SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS

July 29, 2009 – Chris Groh, the Wisconsin Rural Water Association Wastewater Trainer, was requested to visit the **Village of Pepin WWTP** by Mr. Larry Marks (certified Wastewater Operator) to go through and help with a Vulnerability Assessment (VA) and Emergency Response Plan (ERP). The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has recommended that systems with a population of less than 3300 people work through an ERP, and since Rural water has a free template, Mr. Marks asked Chris to assist. Chris worked through the entire ERP template, which will totally satisfy the ERP criteria for the DNR and result in a VA for Pepin for use in the future. **This visit saved the village \$2000** in fees for hiring an engineering firm to write an ERP and VA.

July 8, 2009 - Jesse Claflin the wastewater tech for WRWA was called to the **Village of Bloomington** by the full time certified operator Ronnie Mumm (608)994-2197. The village was applying for a grant to replace a section of sewer main in town that is old and has allot of structural problems. Jesse arrived and with the help of Ronnie they began to televise the sewer lines. All of the televising was recorded on WRWA's new camera equipment which put all of the recordings onto a DVD for the village. When the televising was completed the DVD along with other reports were to be sent in to try to get grant money for the village to replace the sewer line. Savings to the system would be the televising costs of **\$1500 and also the possibility of a \$200,000 grant** because of the taped line.

July 14, 2009, WRWA's Circuit Rider, Ed Hendzel, received a request from the Wabeno Sanitary District for assistance in doing a leak survey. The District has 2 metered groundwater wells that provides water to 365 metered connections. The District does not have full-time disinfection but has emergency chlorine disinfection. Ed & Scott checked every hydrant and numerous valves throughout the distribution system. Ed & Scott discovered a water leak on a 2" watermain & were able to isolate the problem for repairs. The leak survey took 7 3/4 hours to complete and **saved the District about \$1200.00**, the cost if they were to hire a private firm to do the leak survey. The District will also be able to save additional water loss. Ed will do a follow-up visit in the near future.

WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE WATCHING

REGULATIONS, LEGISLATION & UNFUNDED STATE MANDATES

- Water User Fees
- Cross Connection Inspection
- Water Conservation Programs
- Mandatory Continuous Chlorination
- Public Rights Stage Pumping Regulations
- Groundwater Law Act 310 Revisions
- Legislation LRB 0503

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“To assist water/wastewater systems improve and preserve the quality and quantity of water resources in the State of Wisconsin”