

2026 ANNUAL TRIFECTA

September 09, 2026

Northfield Mountain Recreation Area | 99 Millers Falls Rd | Northfield, MA 01360

Training

From Operations, Regulations, and Management

Tasting

State Rural Water Taste Test Competition

Tomfoolery

Old Fashioned BBQ



Attendee Brochure

2026 ANNUAL TRIFECTA AGENDA

Time	Event	TCH Credits	Location
7:30AM-8:00AM	Registration & Refreshments	N/A	Main Entrance
7:30AM-12:00PM	Trade Show	N/A	Exhibition Area
8:00AM-9:00AM	The Basics of Pipe Locating <i>Eric Denslow - Eastcom Associates</i>	1.0 W & WW	Tent
	MassDEP & U.S. EPA Regulatory Roundtable Discussion <i>Michael Celona - MassDEP & Andrea Traviglia - US EPA</i>	1.0 W	Indoor
9:00AM-9:30AM	Break	N/A	Cafe
9:30AM-10:30AM	Cellular Technology & Ultrasonic Metering Technology <i>Chris Boyd - Next Meters & Troy Ebbighausen - FW Webb</i>	1.0 W	Tent
	Funding Your Projects: MassDEP & USDA Options <i>Gregory Devine - MassDEP SRF & Joseph Delbove & Megan Llewellyn - USDA</i>	1.0 W & WW	Indoor
10:30AM-11:00AM	Break	NA	Cafe
11:00AM-12:00PM	Certified Stenner Technician Training <i>Kevin Moran - Stenner Pump Company</i>	1.0 W & WW	Tent
	PFAS Treatment Technologies: Options, Trade-Offs, Decision Factors, Technical Support, and Grant Programs <i>Shane Hancox - UMass-Amherst & Abby Jacobs - MassDEP</i>	1.0 W	Indoor
12:00PM-1:00PM	BBQ Lunch Annual Meeting Drinking Water Taste Test	N/A	Cafe
1:00PM - 3:00PM	PVC Pipe Installation Best Practices for Water & Wastewater Applications <i>Thomas Peters - National Pipe & Plastics</i>	2.0 W & WW	Tent
	Advancements in Potable Water Disinfection & Distribution System Monitoring <i>Matthew Brunetti & Jeffrey Glavin - Tensile Water</i>	2.0 W & WW	Indoor

CLASS KEY | W: Water Operators | WW: Wastewater Operators

Please visit www.massrwa.org for more details about the 2026 Annual Trifecta!

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Highlights

Training Credit Hours (TCHs)

All participating attendees are awarded Certificates of Completion issuing Water & Wastewater TCHs.

Annual Drinking Water Taste Test

Think you've got the Best, Put it to the Test!

Bring a drinking water sample for the Drinking Water Taste Test Competition. Draw a One-Quart sample from your supply into a plain (and clean) mason jar, and bring it to the Trifecta! The winner will be entered into the 2027 Great American Water Taste Test at National Rural Water Association's Rural Water Rally in Washington DC held in February 2027!

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Morning Refreshments - Coffee & Donuts

Join us for a cup of coffee and apple cider donuts from Atkins Farms!



BBQ Luncheon

Lunch will be catered by Cliff's Smokin' Backyard Barbecue.

Sundae Station

Ice Cream Sundaes are provided by:



MassRWA Annual Membership Business Meeting

The Mass Rural Water Association's Annual Business Meeting is scheduled for the 9th day of September 2026 at the Northfield Mountain Recreation Facility, Northfield, MA 01360 at 12:15PM. Financial reports will be discussed along with Board of Directors elections.

DW Taste Test



Registration Form

Class Descriptions

Concurrent Session #1 8:00AM - 9:00AM	The Basics of Pipe Locating <i>Eric Denslow - Eastcom Associates</i> This session covers the basics of how we locate both metallic and non-metallic pipe. We will reviewed the different types of equipment available, how to perform the locate, and troubleshoot difficult locating scenarios.
	MassDEP & U.S. EPA Regulatory Roundtable Discussion <i>Michael Celona - MassDEP & Andrea Traviglia - U.S. EPA</i> This session will discuss regulatory updates & priorities from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 1 for 2026/2027.
9:00AM-9:30AM	Break
Concurrent Session #2 9:30AM - 10:30AM	Cellular Technology & Ultrasonic Metering Technology <i>Chris Boyd - Next Meters & Troy Ebbighausen - FW Webb</i> This presentation will help provide attendees with a complete overview of Cellular Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and Smart Ultrasound Water Metering for water utilities. The advantages of using operational strategies of cellular AMI while utilizing ultrasonic, solid-state, water meters to provide the utility with the most comprehensive, data-driven, and efficient method of water meter systems management. We will discuss the process of completing an AMI water meter system upgrade from implementation to accessing all system info on any smart device or PC remotely. It will focus on replacing manual reading with cellular-enabled, real-time data transmission to improve billing accuracy.
	Funding Your Projects: MassDEP & USDA Rural Development Options <i>Gregory Devine, MassDEP SRF</i> <i>Joesph Delbove & Megan Llewellyn, USDA Rural Development</i> MassDEP and the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust will provide an overview of the SRF loan application process and the benefits of financing water infrastructure projects through the SRF programs. USDA Rural Development will also present on their funding topics.
10:30AM-11:00AM	Break

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<p>Concurrent Session #3</p>	<p>Certified Stenner Technician Training <i>Kevin Moran - Stenner Pump Company</i></p> <p>This class covers the operation, installation, maintenance, and repair of the Stenner Classic Series Peristaltic Pump. This hands-on training class will allow participants to make standard tube changes, tubing connections to the pump and disassemble the feed rate control to identify possible wear to internal pump components, identifying basic repairs at minimal cost. Each person completing the class will receive a CST certificate from Stenner. This class will cover topics, such as, proper use and application of Stenner Pumps for Water and Wastewater treatment and Commercial Swimming pools, how to troubleshoot and repair Stenner pumps, learn how to service and repair: tube changes, feed rate control, gear case maintenance. As well as how to properly maintain suction and discharge tubing lines and injector fitting.</p>
<p>11:00AM - 12:00PM</p>	<p>PFAS Treatment Technologies: Options, Trade-Offs, Decision Factors, Technical Support, and Grant Programs <i>Shane Hancox - UMass-Amherst & Abby Jacobs - MassDEP</i></p> <p>MassDEP Drinking Water Program and UMass-Amherst are providing training related to the Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) Grant. This training will present a high-level overview of the most commonly used PFAS treatment technologies for drinking water, including how they work in practice and where they fit best within a treatment process. The session will discuss and compare key pros, cons, and real-world considerations, including performance, costs, operations, residuals, and implementation, to help you make informed treatment decisions. This session will also go over available technical support and a brief summary of the Emerging Contaminants Grant Programs.</p>
<p>12:00PM-1:00PM</p>	<p>BBQ Lunch Annual Meeting Drinking Water Taste Test</p>
<p>Concurrent Session #4</p> <p>1:00PM - 3:00PM</p>	<p>PVC Pipe Installation Best Practices for Water & Wastewater Applications <i>Thomas Peters - National Pipe & Plastics</i></p> <p>This seminar will cover best practices for the proper installation of PVC pipes in water and wastewater applications. Topics will include job site handling, joining, tapping, trenching, etc. The class will also debunk common misconceptions when using PVC.</p> <hr/> <p>Advancements in Potable Water Disinfection & Distribution System Monitoring <i>Matthew Brunetti & Jeffrey Glavin - Tensile Water</i></p> <p>Attendees will gain clarity on chlorine dosing control, residual management, and the operational importance of maintaining stable disinfectant levels from plant to distribution endpoints. We will also address the formation and control of regulated disinfection by-products, particularly trihalomethanes (THMs). Operational strategies such as system mixing, storage management, standpipe considerations, and air stripping (“blowing”) will be reviewed as practical mitigation approaches.</p>

September 9, 2026 7:30AM - 3:00PM

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Attendee Registration Form

Attendee Information	
Attendee Full Name	
System/Co. Name	
Billing Address	
City, ST, Zip	
Mobile Phone	
Email	

Please register as soon as possible. Please see Cancellation Policy for Attendees at www.massrwa.org

	Tent	Indoor
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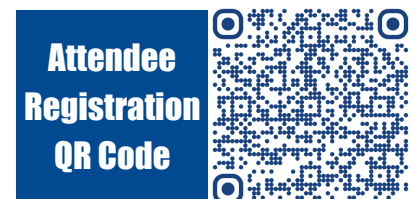
Registration Fee - Includes BBQ Luncheon	
\$135 per registrant, for MassRWA Members	Please Bill Me (include PO # if required)
\$235 per registrant, for Non-Members	Payment Enclosed

I would like my system to Join MassRWA as a 2026 Annual Member and save on my registration fee! Please include Membership Fee with payment

Please visit our website at www.massrwa.org for more information

To Register, [Register Online](#) or complete this form and Mail: Registration Form(s) with your check to the address below

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