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August 10, 2017

## Notice of Annual Membership Meeting

Dear Member,

The annual membership meeting for the Granite State Rural Water Association will be held on **Tuesday, September 12, 2017 from 8:30-9:30 AM**, coinciding with the **Operator Field Day at the Mount Sunapee Resort in Newbury, NH**. Please see the reverse side for the meeting agenda. Minutes from last year's meeting are enclosed. *It is especially important that system members (voting members) return the delegate form to us and attend this meeting so that we have a quorum and are able to conduct business.*

The purpose of this notice is to:

- Publicize the date of the annual meeting.
- **Request the names of official voting delegates from system members who will attend the annual meeting**, and
- Publicize open positions for election to the GSRWA Board of Directors, along with nomination procedures.

### Voting Delegates

System members ONLY may submit the name of one voting delegate and one alternate delegate for the purpose of voting in this meeting. Names of delegates are requested to identify official representatives of the voting membership authorized to participate in the business of the Association. The alternate delegate is named in the event that the voting delegate is unable to participate in the Annual Membership Meeting. Please return the enclosed Certification of Delegates, no later than September 8, 2017, by mail to Granite State Rural Water Association, PO Box 596, Walpole, NH 03608 or by fax to 603-756-3675, Thank you.

### Election of Directors

During the meeting, delegates from system members will vote to elect one qualified candidate to serve on the GSRWA Board of Directors. There is one open seat. Only managers, certified water operators and/or wastewater operators, or those actively involved with the overall operation and management of a System Member, may serve on the Board of Directors. Directors serve for a period of three years beginning at the conclusion of the meeting at which they were elected. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, **please mail or fax a letter of interest and a short bio summarizing your qualifications no later than Friday, August 26, 2017. Thank you.** Dennis Nadeau's term ends in September. Dennis has indicated that if elected, he is willing to serve again.

I will look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, September 12, 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Palmiotto".

Jennifer Palmiotto, PhD  
Executive Director

## **AGENDA**

**GSRWA Annual Membership Meeting  
Mount Sunapee Resort, Newbury, NH  
September 12, 2017, 8:30-9:30 AM**

**I. Call to Order & Welcome**

*Philippe Maltais, GSRWA Board President*

**II. Report of Delegates Present and Determination of Quorum**

*Bob Fagnant, GSRWA Vice President*

**III. Introduction**

*Jennifer Palmiotto, Executive Director*

**IV. Reading and Approval of 2015 Minutes**

*April Busfield, GSRWA Secretary/Treasurer*

**V. Treasurer's Report**

*April Busfield, GSRWA Secretary/Treasurer*

**VI. Election of one Director to GSRWA Board**

**VII. Presentation of Awards of Excellence**

**VIII. Meeting Adjourned**

## **Granite State Rural Water Association**

Annual Meeting September 13, 2016

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by GSRWA Board President, Phil Maltais. Phil led the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a report of delegates and determination of quorum by Vice President, Bob Fagnant. It was made known that GSRWA director, Dennis Nadeau, was not able to attend the Annual Meeting because he was representing GSRWA at the NRW Conference

Jennifer Palmiotto, Executive Director, made an introduction thanking everybody for coming. The Head table was introduced, including Phil Maltais President, Bob Fagnant VP, April Busfield BOD, Gary Lynn Keynote Speaker, and Bill Hounsell (GSRWA Policy Analyst). There was a review of highlights of the day and a special "Thank You" to 15 show sponsors, training class presenters and Taste Test Judges, Jane Downing (EPA), Sarah Pillsbury (NHDES), and Mark Kowprowski (USDA). All staff, temporary staff and volunteers were thanked for helping to make the Field Day possible.

The Keynote Address was presented by Gary Lynn Administrator of the MtBE Remediation Bureau. He discussed possible funding options for current and future MtBE remediation projects.

Bob Fagnant presented the minutes from last year's meeting and they were approved. He then presented the Treasurer's Report which showed a clean opinion for 2015 and that the Association is in good financial standing even though net assets had decreased. There was an election for 2 open seats on the Board of Directors. Phil Maltais was elected for another term and Jason Randall from Plymouth Water and Sewer District was elected for the other seat.

The 2016 Awards of Excellence were presented. 2016 Gold Sponsors Ferguson Water Works and New England Backflow were presented with awards of appreciation. 2016 Show Sponsor EJ Prescott was presented with an award as well. Barbara Reid from NH Municipal Association was presented with the 2016 Rural Water Advocate award. David Danielson and Peter Leishman were both presented with 2016 Distinguished Legislator awards. An award was presented to Bob Naylor for his service on the GSRWA Board from 2013-2016. 2016 Operator of the year award was presented to Michael Bergeron who had previously won the award in the past. 2016 Training Instructor was awarded to Warren Verga. The annual meeting adjourned at 9:30 am

Prepared by April Busfield, GSRWA Secretary/Treasurer



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## 2017 Certification of Delegates

This is the official certification form for the upcoming GSRWA Annual Membership Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at the Mount Sunapee Resort, Newbury, NH.

**System Members (voting members) - please complete the form, obtain the proper signatures and return this form by September 6, 2017. In order for us to be able to hold the Annual Membership Meeting we need at least 20 System Member Delegates to fill out and return this form and be present at the meeting.** Thank you for your assistance.

As the duly appointed representative of the

Name of System Member \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby certify that the individuals listed below are the official voting delegate and alternate delegate to the Granite State Rural Water Association Annual Meeting scheduled for 8:30 AM on September 12, 2017 at the Mount Sunapee Resort, in Newbury, NH.**

Delegate \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed or Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please return this form by mail, fax or email by September 6, 2017.**

September 12, 2017

Prepare, Prevent and Protect.

# 2017 Operator Field Day & Exhibit Show



Mount Sunapee Resort  
Newbury, NH



## Attendee Registration

Utility/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendee 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendee 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendee 3:** \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ cell #: \_\_\_\_\_



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	<b>On or Before 8/16/17</b>	<b>After 8/16/17</b>
GSRWA Members:	\$60	\$75
Non-Members:	\$75	\$90
Registration Fee (from above):	\$ _____ x _____ (# of attendees) = \$ _____	

## OUTDOOR EVENT RAIN OR SHINE

**Cancelations must be received by August 25, 2017 to receive a refund.**

Register and pay online at our website [www.granitestatewater.org](http://www.granitestatewater.org) or mail this form with payment to:  
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## Agenda for the Operator Field Day & Exhibit Show September 12, 2017

Time/Location	Competition Center	Learning Center: Room 1	Learning Center: Room 2	Various Locations
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast – Upper Sunapee Lodge			Fun Stuff (Not for Credit)
8:30 - 9:30 AM		<b>GSRWA Annual Membership Meeting</b> \$100 Raffle Prize -Must be Present to Win!		Trade Show Opens 7:30
9:30-9:45	Break			Dowsing Demonstration
9:45 -10:45 AM	<b>Cutting Through the F.O.G: The Plumbing Codes for Fats, Oils and Grease</b> <i>Ray Gordon, NH DES (ww credit)</i>	<b>Drinking Water Regulatory Roundtable</b> <i>Sarah Pillsbury, NH DES Jane Downing, US EPA Region 1 (dw credit)</i>		Throughout the day (Presented by American Society of Dowsers)
10:45 -11:00 AM	Break			Chair Massage 10:00- 12:00 (Sponsored by New England Backflow)
11:00 – 12:00 PM	<b>The Nuts and Bolts of GIS</b> <i>Santino DePaul, Esri Matt Kennedy, Esri (dw/ww credit)</i>			Chair Lift Rides 10:30- 12:30 (Sponsored by Team EJP)
11:30 - 12:30 PM		<b>Water Conservation Through Metering</b> <i>Richard Lavolette, Lavolette Controls Stacey Herbold, NH DES Ian Kasowitz, Stiles Company Dan Burdin, EJ Prescott (dw credit)</i>	<b>Rethinking Urine</b> <i>Kim Nace, Rich Earth Institute Abraham Noe-Hays, Rich Earth Institute (ww credit)</i>	Meter Toss Competition 10:45 - 12:15 , Winner Announced in tent at 12:30 (Sponsored by Team EJP)
11:45 - 1:15 PM	Lunch in Tent			50/50 Raffle Drawing in tent at 12:30 (Presented by GSRWA)
1:30 - 2:30 PM	<b>Funding Options For Water &amp; Wastewater Utilities</b> <i>Deborah Nanfeldt, USDA Rural Dev. Angela Romeo, NH Comm. Loan Fund Rick Skarinka, NH DES (dw/ww credit)</i>	<b>Septage Receiving Upgrades: One System's Tale</b> <i>Michael R. Theriault, Wright-Pierce Jason Randall, Plymouth Water &amp; Sewer (ww credit)</i>		<b>NH Drinking Water Taste Test Contest</b> Winner Announced in tent at 12:45 (Sponsored by Eastern Analytical, Inc.)
2:30-3:00 PM	Break with Refreshments in Upper Lodge			Trade Show Door Prizes Winners Announced in Upper Lodge at 2:30 (Presented by exhibitors)
3:00-4:00 PM		<b>Emerging Contaminant Updates and Risk Communication Strategies</b> <i>David Maclean Geo Insight (dw/ww credit)</i>	<b>Emergency Planning for Rural Water Systems</b> <i>Andrew Madison, GSRWA Louis Adorno, NH DES (dw/ww credit)</i>	Trade Show Closes 3:00
4:00 PM	<b>\$100 Raffle Prize &amp; Flat Screen giveaway</b> - Must be Present to Win! Location: Upper Sunapee Lodge <b>Please turn in your evaluation form at the registration desk. Thank you for coming!</b>			

Note: Each class is worth 1 TCH. You must attend 100% of the class to receive credit.



At the  
Operator Field Day &  
Exhibit Show  
September 12, 2017  
Newbury, NH

# NH Drinking Water Taste Test Contest

*Enter your sample and let the judges decide if  
your system has the best tasting water in New Hampshire!*



## Eligibility:

1. Entrants must be current GSRWA system members and must be systems located in New Hampshire.
2. The water system must have no outstanding MCL violations within the last 12 months.

## Contest Rules:

1. To enter, contestants must submit two chilled samples. Samples must be in GSRWA supplied 1-liter glass containers.
2. Entries must be submitted to the GSRWA registration desk at the Operator Field Day by 9:30 AM on Tuesday, September 12, 2017.
3. Samples must be accompanied by a contest entry form - see reverse side.
4. A system representative must be present to win.

A panel of judges will select the winning entry based upon clarity, odor, and taste. The winner will be announced during lunch at the Operator Field Day.

## **What Could You Win?**

- One representative from the winning system will receive and all expenses paid trip to the National Rural Water Association's Rally in Washington, DC to be held in February 2017. The winning system automatically qualifies to enter the Great American Taste Test, a national drinking water taste test competition.
- The winner wins "bragging rights" and the ability to claim the "best tasting water in New Hampshire."

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See reverse side for contest entry form



# NH Drinking Water Taste Test Contest Entry Form

Water System Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of System Representative  
at Operator Field Day: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #:  
of Representative at Operator Field Day : \_\_\_\_\_

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For GSRWA use only

Sample Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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