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RESTORING THE FLOW – HOLIDAY EDITION

In the early afternoon on Monday, July 5th, the Maine Turnpike Authority called Team EJP’s 24-hour emergency service line for assistance with the Cumberland Travel Plaza. On one of the busiest travel weekends in the state of Maine, the plaza didn’t have water.

Team EJP Service Technician Pat Coughlan jumped to action, loaded up his service truck with leak detection equipment and parts for what was believed to be the problem, and set out for the plaza. When the Maine Turnpike Authority opted to use a bypass pipe to provide the plaza with water, Pat relayed the information to EJP’s Kris Arsenault and Zach Chaput. The duo met the Maine Turnpike team at EJP to load them up with the necessary pipe and equipment.

The Maine Turnpike staff was incredibly professional throughout the process, holding their commitment to safety and teamwork to a high standard. Additional thanks go out to Bill Gardner, Superintendent of Gray Water District and VAS customer, for his willingness to open his facilities if the crew needed a part. Lastly, thank you to the following Team EJP personnel who were contacted on their day off and still assisted: Kris Arsenault, Zach Chaput, Jason Chadwick, Rob Chadwick, Bob Moody, and Dylan Ross.

Due to the collaborative efforts and selflessness of all involved, water was restored to the plaza by early morning on July 6th. ■





APPLAUDING REGGIE COOLEY

On July 25, 1977, Reggie Cooley commenced his first day at Everett J. Prescott, Inc. His job quickly transformed into a career, and Reggie into an influential figure and member of Team EJP. Reggie has consistently been a reliable worker from his days as a crane operator, a devoted tractor-trailer truck driver, and even his time on the EJP Race Team (where he was a transport driver and spotter for Steve Prescott and a backup driver for Ricky Craven). Without a doubt, Reggie has always been able to take a challenge and find the solution – helping whenever and wherever needed.

His hard work, determination, and reputation exude all that EJP is. In the words of our customers, Reggie is “truly EJP inside and out,” “a true professional,” and “a gold standard,” among many other outstanding statements. So, here’s to you and your 44 years, Reggie. Thank you for being a major part of our team. ■



QWP GOING HIGH TECH



On a recent trip to Quality Water Products, QWP blew us out of the water with some of their new equipment and expansive capabilities. Among those capabilities is the business of laser scanning treatment plants and pump stations. This technology uses laser wavelengths to collect over 900,000 points per second. These points are converted into a point cloud which is an accurate representation of the building and its contents - accurate to 1 millimeter.

Point clouds can be used to develop 3D models of the environment, allowing for the creation of accurate as-built drawings. 2D line drawings can also be created, eliminating the time-consuming and costly need for field measurements. This technology is useful for engineers, contractors, and municipalities for rehabilitation and re-design projects with stored, accurate, and up-to-date data.

Our tour of the machine shop also showed us that even the ductile iron pipe fabrication business, which has been doing things the same way for 75 years, can be modernized with a little forward-thinking and know-how. The Morando - Torino Lathe that QWP uses to put flanges on 24" to 60" pipe has been transformed into a CNC lathe. That means that once the piece of pipe is set up and centered in the lathe, a pair of Servo motors commanded by a computer is used to turn down and thread the pipe with no manpower. It may be the only lathe of this size that can accomplish this in the industry. The lathe was transforming a piece of 36" pipe into a 36"x 8" flange tee when we were there (pictured left).

What drives QWP's improvements? The innovation of dedicated employees like Dave Marc, the facilities manager, who spearheaded the 60" CNC lathe project, Henry Brown, machinist, who conducted research on CNC language and programmed the lathe, as well as Josh Cote, QWP estimator, who magically turns a laser scan into a working assembly drawing. ■



RETURN OF LIVE SUMMER EXPOS



MWUA & MeWEA Pig Roast

Team EJP was excited to once again participate in the Pig Roast and Summer Expo, hosted by MWUA (Maine Water Utilities Association) and MeWEA (Maine Water Environment Association) at the Brunswick Landing. The food was delightful, the drinks were cold, but the folks we met along the way made the event that much more special. ■



MWWA Summer Expo & Clambake

After a break from in-person events, it was refreshing to participate in MWWA's (Massachusetts Water Works Association) Summer Expo & Clambake at Wachusett Mountain Ski Resort. The weather was beautiful, the conversations were plentiful, and the turnout was fantastic. ■



WATER CONSERVATION CORNER

SIX TIPS TO HELP YOU PREPARE FOR FALL



Preparing for the cozy months ahead is an important part of welcoming the fall season. Below you will find six tips and tricks for maintaining your property while conserving water.

- Check your home for damage, including any broken or leaking pipes, faucets, or equipment.
- Replace your equipment with water-efficient products.
- Ensure that insulation is intact, where needed. When the temperatures dip, uninsulated pipes can freeze, causing damage and unpredictable costs.
- Clean around your home – inside and out. Loose trash can easily find a way to local ponds, lakes, and streams, which leads to larger water pollution problems.
- Use a broom instead of a hose to clear leaves and debris from your walkways and porches.
- Talk to our team about installing smart meters, stormwater systems, and ways to recycle water.

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HENRY "LEGEND" MEYER TO RETIRE

Henry Meyer, "Legend" among peers, retired after 40 years of remarkable service. During his decades as Kingston Water District Manager, Henry took on various roles, provided safe and abundant drinking water to the residents of the community, and even found time to serve on numerous boards... as President of the South Kingstown Planning Board, President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Rhode Island Water Works Association, member of the RI Drought Steering Committee, and (appointed by the Senate) a member of the RI Water Resource Board Study Commission.

Henry was instrumental in helping preserve open space within the town. The Meyer family generously donated numerous acres of land for open space, including the property known as "Trustom Pond" in Matunuck, RI. Meyer is also

known as a renowned beaver expert, traveling around the local watershed via kayak to track and investigate the movement of these handsome creatures. We thank you and wish you all the best, Legend. ■

