

## NEWS & NOTES

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## Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations and Emergency Response Training

On May 2, 2008, MassDEP enacted revisions to the Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations: 310 CMR 22.00 that is in regards to emergency response. The new regulations include specific requirements for Emergency Response Plans (ERP's) and notification requirements for reporting emergencies to MassDEP and the local Board of Health. All Public Water Systems (PWS) are now expected to comply with the revised regulations.

The Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) is offering training to cities and towns to review these measures and assist in providing information on critical items that may be helpful in Emergency Response Planning.

The Training will be delivered in a series of five-2.5 hour modules. The <u>attached document</u> is a description of each module and you may register for those modules that benefit your agency planning. A total of 2.5 TCH's (Training Contact Hours) will be issued for each module completed. Please contact Carolyn Forsyth, Human Resources Specialist for more information at 617-788-4011 or Carolyn.Forsyth@mwra.state.ma.us.

## MWRA Advisory Board Honors Mayor Ambrosino and Mayor Howard

The full Advisory Board met this month on November  $10^{th}$  at the Wellesley Free Library. At the meeting, the AB took time to recognize the Honorable Thomas G. Ambrosino, mayor of Revere, and the Honorable Richard C. Howard, mayor of Malden, for their many years of service to the MWRA Advisory Board as well as the communities they represented.

Mayor Ambrosino decided not to run for re-election this term and is leaving his post at the end of the year after serving 12 years as the Mayor of Revere. Mayor Howard of Malden is also leaving his post and recently accepted a position as Town Manager of Winchester. The AB congratulates and wishes both mayors luck in their future endeavors.



**Above:** Mayor Ambrosino accepting his award from AB Chair Katherine Dunphy. **Below:** Mayor Howard speaking after accepting his award as well.



## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

December 14 MWRA Board of Directors Mtg. in Charlestown

The MWRA Advisory Board's Executive Committee and Full Advisory Board do not meet in December

The Advisory Board staff wishes you all a very Happy & Healthy Holiday Season.