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Senior Program Manager

After playing many important roles at NEIWPCC since joining the Commission in 2000, Michael Jennings currently serves as senior program manager in the wastewater and onsite systems division. In this capacity, he manages our wastewater operator training team and oversees our stormwater workgroup. This involves providing input on program activities, supervising staff; as well as managing grants, budgets, and contracts to ensure these programs deliver on their stated objectives.



Mr. Jennings:

- Received the Water Environment Federation's accreditation under its National Green Infrastructure Certification Program.
- Served through 2018 as NEIWPCC's Quality Assurance Program Manager. In that role he served as the official point of contact for all organizational QA/QC-related matters, approved quality assurance project plans, and trained staff.
- From 2013-2018, served as project officer for NEIWPCC's Hudson River Estuary Program and National Estuarine Research Reserve activities. He oversaw 15 full-time staff members and managed annual workplans and budgets for those efforts.
- Served as the project officer and principal author of NEIWPCC's *Preparing for Extreme Weather at Wastewater Utilities: Strategies and Tips* guidance document (2016). He also continues to serve as the lead instructor for NEIWPCC's *Extreme Weather in the Forecast: Is Your Facility Prepared* wastewater operator training class.
- As director of water resource protection programs, received an EPA Region 1 Environmental Merit Award in 2014 for the development of NEIWPCC's well-received *Regional Clean Water Guidelines for Fertilization of Urban Turf*.
- Served as the project officer and principal author of NEIWPCC's *Optimizing Operation, Maintenance, and Rehabilitation of Sanitary Sewer Collection Systems*. This guidance document was later adopted by the Mass. DEP as statewide guidelines for collection systems.

Mr. Jennings joined NEIWPCC after working for two years with the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's Toxic Reduction and Control Department, where he was involved with industrial pretreatment program compliance monitoring, hazardous material emergency response, and community relations. Prior to his work with MWRA, Michael served as an environmental scientist with Resource Applications, Inc.'s Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team.

Education:

M.S., Environmental Studies, University of Massachusetts, Lowell
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