

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



## NHPWMA:

Don't be afraid to ask for help. No community is too big or too small. It's not only about the equipment, it's about personnel too. The people that know the business and speak the same language.

For more information, please contact:

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33 Academic Way  
Durham, NH 03824

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www.t2.unh.edu/ma



# NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC WORKS MUTUAL AID

## COMMUNITIES HELPING COMMUNITIES

Contact NHPWMA for help:  
877-731-9908 (toll-free)  
www.t2.unh.edu/ma

## What is NHPWMA?

The NHPWMA program is a network of municipalities that assist one another during emergencies through partnering agreements and a protocol for requesting and receiving aid.

Since disasters seldom strike within municipal limits, NHPWMA allows communities from all over the state to respond to those most affected. Member contact information and inventories are available for each member of the program.

NHPWMA has helped numerous communities repair and restore damaged infrastructure, including during the floods of 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the ice storm in 2008.

The NHPWMA program includes members from all over the state. See the website for a current list of members. Assistance includes access to personnel (such as road agents and public works directors), building inspectors, water and wastewater operators and equipment (such as trucks and graders), and many more resources.

## How Does it Work?

During emergencies, members can either:

1. Contact other members directly,
2. Use the toll-free hotline (877-731-9908),
3. Use the pw.net email listserv.

Providing aid is optional; the needs of your community always come first. Agreements are reciprocal; all members can help each other.



## Who Can Participate?

### Authorized under RSA 53-A

NHPWMA is currently available to municipalities and other governmental entities including village districts and private water and wastewater utilities.

*This program is approved by the New Hampshire Attorney General.*

## What Are The Benefits of Joining NHPWMA?

- Enables prompt and effective response.
- Provides for rapid and orderly rehabilitation of infrastructure.
- Allows access and exchange of specialized supplies, equipment, and personnel.
- Reduces vulnerability of participating communities.
- NHPWMA does not require any disaster declaration to activate, which means communities can request aid at almost any time (even for small scale events).
- If a federal emergency is declared, it facilitates FEMA reimbursement since reimbursement is contingent upon a pre-existing, signed NHPWMA agreement.

## How do I Join?

**1** Sign the agreement form ([www.t2.unh.edu/ma](http://www.t2.unh.edu/ma) and click *Joining Mutual Aid*) and complete the appropriate inventory for Public Works, Building Inspectors or Water/Wastewater Systems.

**2** Mail a \$25 check payable to **NH Public Works Mutual Aid** and the signed agreement to:

**New Hampshire Municipal Association**  
25 Triangle Park Drive  
Concord, NH 03301

**3** Email, fax or mail a copy of the signed agreement and completed inventory to:

**Technology Transfer Center**  
33 Academic Way  
Durham, NH 03824

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