

## **Massachusetts Well Driller Program Technical Advisory Committee Meeting**

**7/17/12 at New England Water Works Office**

### **General:**

Update on Program: Still want feedback on eDEP issues.

Member wanted to know why we need GPS coordinates. They think it is extra work. It was explained this provides an accurate location for the data.

### **Discussion on Draft Regulation Changes:**

Well Yield Enhancement: The language in the Regs will read only potable water shall be used. How does this impact proprietary processes such as "Aqua Freed" which uses liquid CO<sub>2</sub> or Nitrogen. Member will contact Layne Christensen as they use this process for more information.

Standard References for Monitoring Wells: needs update. It has old DCR references and sample form. Rewrite is needed to include changes to Well Driller Program related information.

Temporary Well: Member said a PWS has multiple wells used during the exploratory and testing process that are often removed 60 days after the test has been completed. I recommended using the Addendum form for the WCR to enter these additional wells. Will check on the availability of the Addendum form for PWS.

Protective Well Seal: Member cited a situation of naturally developed wells. Member wants the ability to pour a bentonite seal under the pit less adapter.

Member asked if MassDEP requires neutralization of chemicals additives for cleaning a well. NH is said to require it.

Discussed continuing Education; Members agreed with this requirement. A list of approved credit earning activities and courses to be listed on the web. The Department will have the flexibility to updated this list at its discretion.