

I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for the Montana Rural Water Board of Directors.

My name is Allen Kelm and I have been in the Water & Wastewater industry as a certified operator since 1985 for the City of Miles City. I started out as the night shift employee and moved up to the swing shift operator. After that I became the Water/Wastewater Supervisor and then the Public Utilities Director and retired in December of 2017. I have received the Mike Certalic Award from DEQ, MRWS Rural Water Manager of the Year, MT Water Environment William D. Hatfield Award, and the MT Water Environment Service Award. I have been on the Montana Rural Water Systems (MRWS) Board of Directors for 9 years and have been the Montana Representative to the National Rural Water Association Board of Directors for 4 years.

I feel that MRWS is the best Water/Wastewater organization for receiving training and support throughout the state for our small systems. MRWS works well with other organization such as Mt League of Cities and Towns, Mt AWWA, Mt WEF, Mt WARN, EPA and DEQ to keep up with what is going on in the water industry. As your National Director I get to bring your message of stories and issues from the trenches to the NRWA and your Washington Senators and Representatives'.

I would appreciate your vote for the Board during the Delegate Assembly Meeting during your MRWS Annual Conference in March 2024.

Thank You.
Allen Kelm