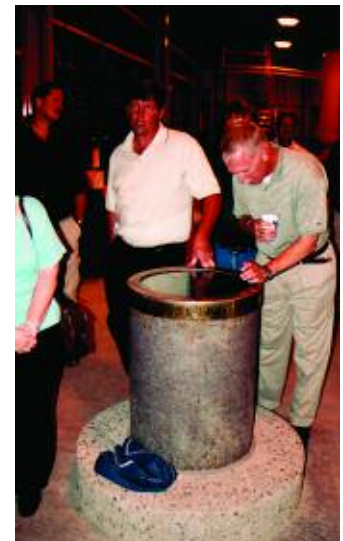


ACWA tours Des Moines Water Works

In July, 2005, ACWA members and their key staff were invited to come to the Des Moines Water Works operations center in order to learn more about the challenges that DMWW faces as it processes Raccoon River water for distribution to 350,000 Iowans.

Also on the agenda was an opportunity to hear from USDA about NRCS Technical and Financial Assistance in the Raccoon River Watershed through EQIP and CSP, Raccoon River TMDLs, and a group discussion at the end of the day.

20 people attended the meeting and toured plant, laboratory and water distribution facilities. They were given the opportunity to talk with people in lab who do the analysis on samples — work that is collected by volunteers and ACWA automated samplers that were supported by ACWA.



DMWW senior chemist talks about what he has seen from sample analysis.

ACWA members tour the microbiology lab, and learn more about how DMWW evaluates water quality.

ACWA members look into a holding tank — the water here is ready for distribution.



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