



Brian E. Vinchesi

Chairman of IA SWAT Initiative

Brian Vinchesi graduated from Montana State University with a B.S. in Agricultural Engineering in 1980 and continued in that track with graduate studies at Oregon State University for two years. He is an Irrigation Association certified: designer (residential, commercial and golf course), auditor (landscape and golf), contractor and landscape conservation water manager.

Brian Vinchesi is President of Irrigation Consulting, Inc. a company he founded in 1988. The firm is headquartered in Pepperell, Massachusetts, with branches in Waxhaw, North Carolina, Hammonton, New Jersey and Afton, Virginia. Specializing in irrigation design for commercial and golf course clients, Vinchesi has traveled the world to consult on new and renovation sites. Vinchesi is also a seasoned instructor, teaching in the turf management programs at the University of Massachusetts and Rutgers University. He also teaches for GCSAA and the Irrigation Association. He is a frequent lecturer at many universities and turf conferences.

Brian Vinchesi is a past president of the Irrigation Association and serves on many of its committees including being chair or the SWAT initiative as well as being chairman of the irrigation Association Education Foundation. In addition to his active involvement in the IA, Vinchesi is a Past President of the American Society of Irrigation Consultants and a 28-year member of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers. He is



the 1996 recipient of the Edwin J. Hunter Industry Achievement Award. Vinchesi has written over 100 articles for industry magazines and published many professional papers. His book, *Golf Course Irrigation: Environmental Design and Management Practices*, is a joint collaboration with four industry peers, offering an up-to-date (2003), unbiased resource for golf course personnel.