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Yankee Onsite Wastewater Association Newsletter – Fall 2008

Message from the President

As this year draws to a close for our organization, we can look back on many accomplishments and should look forward to the future. YOWA has increased our membership to almost 100 members. We developed our first full year financial budget and managed to stay within the financial guidelines. We developed our own web site which is now up and running – yankeeonsite.org. We have developed several strong committees, Education, Newsletter and Membership, which promise to deliver future benefits to our members. We have tentatively scheduled training programs in Vermont and Massachusetts for the end of this year and early 2009, have produced this second Newsletter for our membership and are developing innovative membership ideas to implement in 2009. Our affiliation with NOWRA has grown stronger as that organization develops new programs and assistance for the membership, especially the new membership database that is currently coming on line to service the member organizations and the individual members. You should have received an email from the NOWRA Office informing you of the new database and instructions on how to update your member profile. Watch for more details on this.

The future can be very bright and exciting or can be less than we all want, it all depends on you our members. YOWA is the only organization in New England that is completely dedicated to the onsite wastewater industry. We can have a major impact in this area only by increasing our membership, providing training and developing close contacts with other state organizations. This will, however, only happen if the current membership becomes more active in the organization. We currently have nine Directors whose terms will be up at the end of 2009. Three Directors will serve through 2010. Those Directors are the only members that are active on our committees. We desperately need members to become active committee members to assist in training, membership recruitment, outreach to other organization and the Newsletter. We are more than willing to establish new committees in areas that the members believe are important. YOWA cannot grow without members that are willing to commit some time to assist the organization. You can help by going to the web site and contacting the chairs of the committees. If you want, you can also email me (shcorr@comcast.net) to obtain information on committees or how you can help YOWA grow.

Sincerely,

Steven H. Corr, P.E., YOWA President

Please visit the:

Official YOWA Website at <http://www.yankeeonsite.org> or the
NOWRA Website at <http://www.nowra.org>.

2008 YOWA Officers & Board of Director Election results

The YOWA Board of Directors effective January 1, 2008.

Officers (2-year term expires December 31, 2009)

Steven Corr (MA) - President
Russell Martin (ME) – Vice President
Daniel Ottenheimer (MA) – Secretary/Treasurer
John Higgins (MA) – Past President

Board of Directors (3-year terms)

David Clark (MA) – exp. 12/31/09
Stephen Dix (CT) – exp. 12/31/09
Victor Giard (VT) – exp. 12/31/09
Thomas Groves (Regional) – exp. 12/31/09
James Jacobsen (ME) – exp. 12/31/09
George Loomis (RI) – exp. 12/31/10
Andrew McBrearty (MA) – exp. 12/31/09
Michael Moreau (MA) – exp. 12/31/09
David Potts (CT) – exp. 12/31/09
Brent Reagor (MA) – exp. 12/31/09
Lauren Usilton (MA) – exp. 12/31/10
Gary Spaulding (NH) – exp. 12/31/10

The Board of Directors will be meeting in accordance with the following schedule:

Board of Directors Meeting, October 23, 2008
Board of Directors Meeting, November 18, 2008

3rd Annual YOWA Membership Meeting, December 16, 2008

NEIWPCC's Office, Lowell, MA, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Contact us at yankeonsite@gmail.com for more details and directions.

If you are attending, please be sure to visit the YOWA booth at the Annual MHOA Conference in Springfield, MA on October 29 & 30, 2008.

YOWA Board Meeting September 18, 2008 Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Steven Corr, President; Russell Martin, Vice President; Dan Ottenheimer, Secretary/Treasurer, BOD Members –Tom Groves, Steven Dix, Vic Giard, Andrew McBrearty, Gary Spaulding, Mike Moreau

Approval of Minutes of August 28, 2008

The Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the meeting on August 28, 2008 on a motion by A. McBrearty and second by T. Groves.

Treasurer's Report

D. Ottenheimer indicated that the current YOWA membership of 98 people; a new member was recently added. D. Ottenheimer indicated that the NOWRA software invoice for \$500 was paid. D. Ottenheimer indicated that YOWA had over \$19,000 in its bank account.

Vice President's Report

R. Martin indicated NOWRA software training was moved back, T. Groves indicated it was due to the poor quality of state data. R. Martin indicated the Report on Strategic planning session was out but was still not for general still distribution.

President's Report

No Report

NOWRA Update

T. Groves indicated that the Strategic plan draft was approved by the NOWRA Executive Committee. The Strategic planning task force has a week to review and full NOWRA board will review it in October. There is a big to do list to be undertaken based on strategic plan. The plan hopefully will be out by end of year. I4A software roll out most important issue and needs to work, NOWRA staff is already finding huge membership difference from states and NOWRA. There are many tools within this software. Training will be delayed one to two weeks. Affiliate agreements are under review especially concerning ownership of data and accounts to be set up for dues. NOWRA need states to sign agreement, only three signed in previous years. NOWRA elections are now through Oct. Several people competing for individual positions. Members elected will be on board by Dec. 1. There is a mailing list issue concerning NOWRA membership lists for selling to business. D. Ottenheimer suggested that NOWRA should mail the information for businesses using its labels. V. Giard suggested NOWRA make sure no resale of the list is allowed. G. Spaulding suggested not making the list available except for NOWRA members. R. Martin suggested no outside businesses have mailing list, must be NOWRA members. M. Moreau said that businesses needs to know who is receiving literature, NOWRA should allow options for type of material member wish to receive.

R. Martin – Attending and presenting at the Installers' academy, was able to obtain room for \$196 for 5 nights in Las Vegas.

Committee Reports

Education: T. Groves presented that Allison Lowery, VT DEC, was requesting fall training, if possible from YOWA, for example on high strength waste. B. Reagor and G. Loomis are trying to set up training. V. Giard indicated that designers need credits by end of December, especially on soils. S. Dix suggested training be presented in more than one location if possible. T. Groves to check with NOWRA about soils class. D. Ottenheimer to contact others such as Peter Fletcher to determine if such training is possible. V. Giard indicated either class room or field work should be considered.

Status of Planning for Mass. training – No new information

Outreach: S. Dix – Nothing new. Would like to obtain mailing lists from NE Interstate to assist in coordinating with other organization

Newsletter: R. Martin – waiting for material and discussing status with Jim Murphy on obtaining state information. R. Martin needs information on state training to fill out newsletter. Newsletter may be ready by mid October.

Membership: G. Spaulding presented data that indicated YOWA consists of members in 73 companies, 14 education or regulatory members, 38 of 98 members are manufacturing and there are 24 firms represented. G. Spaulding recommended having signs made up advertising YOWA for 24 firms for trade shows. D. Ottenheimer agreed. M. Moreau suggested that companies need

something in next few weeks since October is a big season for meetings. G. Spaulding suggested that member receive a 25% reduction in dues if they bring in one member or a reduction to \$40 if they bring in four members or more. He also suggested that training fees be set up to allow non members to join YOWA. S. Corr suggested YOWA needed a link on the web site to allow people to contact and join committees.

Other Old Business:

YOWA Stationary Layout –S. Corr requested an opinion on stationary letterhead. T. Groves feels only envelopes are necessary. S. Dix suggested not adding c/o Mill River to letter company name. It was agreed not to use company name.

Status of exhibit at MHOA show (Oct 29-31) – T. Groves indicated YOWA was registered \$50 and NE Interstate has a table top or D. Clark has offered a small table top.

Director from Maine –R. Martin - Still nothing.

New Business:

Annual Meeting – T. Groves indicated the Annual meeting could be based on decision of Board with mailing beforehand. There will also need to be elections for BOD.

NE Short Course – T. Groves indicated the CD for the 2008 meeting will be available after Oct. 1st. T. Groves indicated NE Interstate may try to sell the CD to others and split the monies with YOWA. T. Groves indicated a 2011 NOWRA meeting in Providence is probably not likely.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be a telephone conference call on Thursday October, 23 at 8:00 AM. The meeting will last approximately 1.5 hours.

Meeting adjourned, 9:30 a.m.

2009 YOWA Membership renewals

In 2006, YOWA established itself as a viable and energetic state member association. Our membership at the conclusion of 2007 was 85 members. As we reach the end of 2008, our membership has climbed to 98. YOWA is using cost-effective communication with our members by the use of an electronic newsletter and presence on the Web (www.yankeeonsite.org). We look forward to continuing these efforts in the coming year.

2009 will bring new challenges to YOWA. We have become full time, dues paying members of NOWRA (\$40 per member). We will continue to receive the benefits of belonging to this national organization representing all sectors of the onsite/decentralized wastewater industry – currently 4,000 plus members nationally.

In order for us to continue this effort and grow as a state member association of NOWRA, we need your continued support. You will be receiving a renewal invoice by email or US mail from YOWA before the end of the year. Applications will also be available on our web site at www.yankeeonsite.org as well as online dues renewal. Dues for 2009 will be \$110 per member and \$40 for students. We need your support to help continue this exciting path that YOWA is blazing.

If you have any questions about YOWA, please feel free to contact us at the address and phone number listed in this newsletter. Thank you once again for becoming part of YOWA and we look forward to an even more exciting 2009!

Current Committees:

YOWA Outreach Committee - January 2008

Stephen Dix (Chair)
Jim Bransfield
Jim Healy
Leland Jones
Michael B. Moreau Jr.
John J. Murphy

YOWA Education Committee - January 2008

Roland Dupuis
Vic Giard
Jim Jacobsen Maine
George W. Loomis (Co-Chair)
Holly A. Meehan
Michael B. Moreau Jr.
John J. Murphy
Brent Reagor (Co-Chair)
Charles J. Resevick
Gary Spaulding

YOWA Newsletter – January 2008

Russell Martin

YOWA Membership – January 2008

Gary Spaulding

Who is NOWRA and what do they do?

NOWRA is the largest national organization representing all sectors of the onsite/decentralized wastewater industry (i.e., pumpers, contractors, installers, regulators, designers, engineers, manufacturers, and educators). Providing education and training programs to professionals within this industry, to policy officials, the public, and system owners is the driving force of this organization. Through education, NOWRA provides a leadership role in state and federal legislative initiatives to protect water quality and public health.

Have you visited SepticLocator.com?

The Septic Locator is an online directory and search engine designed to allow you to easily find a local product supplier, service provider or individual industry practitioner in your area. The Septic Locator is created and maintained by NOWRA, by joining YOWA you are listed in the locator. No other site on the web offers this kind of direct access to onsite wastewater professionals and products.

www.septiclocator.com

SAVE THE DATES!

18th Annual NOWRA Conference
April 6-9, 2009, Milwaukee, WI
Midwest Airlines Convention Center - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

NOWRA's Annual Technical Education Conference and Exposition provide a unique forum for professional education and learning! The education sessions present the latest technologies and research of the industry, focusing on core topics.

- Soils and watershed management strategies and applications
- Assessment tools or approaches to broader integrated evaluations
- Innovative systems, technologies, and solutions
- Education strategies and applications
- System planning, performance and evaluations
- Watershed management strategies and applications
- Regulations and the regulatory framework
- And of course, NOWRA's premier program, "The Basics of Onsite Systems –A to Z"

2009: 18th Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference

April 6-9, 2009

Midwest Airlines Convention Center

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Watch for more details coming soon, or visit www.nowra.org !

Your YOWA Board of Directors is currently negotiating with NOWRA in an attempt to bring the NOWRA Annual Conference to New England in Spring 2011. We are looking for your support. Please send us feedback to yankeeonsite@gmail.com.



**NOWRA's 4th Annual Installer Academy
December 8-10, 2008
Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada**

The Installer Academy is a unique education and training program designed to advance skills, expertise and professionalism of professionals in the onsite industry. Always held in December in Las Vegas, Nevada, the Installer Academy includes exhibits and vendor product training sessions and three days of educational sessions with "State Approved" CEU's.

You could win \$1000 in the 2nd Annual Roe-D-Hoe!
Enter this fun yet challenging contest for new and seasoned backhoe operators. Super cool belt buckles for the top three contestants! See program brochure for more details.

Save \$100 by registering by Oct. 24th!

For Online Registration, Program Brochure, or Registration Form visit:

www.nowra.org/academy.html



Program Highlights

Comprehensive CIDWT Installation Training Program
Technical, Business and Credential/Legislative Sessions
NAWT Vacuum Truck Technician Training
Networking receptions in the Exhibit Hall
Southwest Networking Forum
Vendor Product Training Rooms: Aqua-Test, Bio-Microbics, Bord Na Mona,
Eljen Corp, Infiltrator Systems, Jet Inc.

Manufacturers and other vendors can gain great exposure at the only in-depth educational venue for installers.

2008 Installer Academy Schedule At A Glance

Monday, Dec. 8th

8:00 am- 12:00 pm General Session: Keynote and Panels
(CIDWT Installer Training track begins at 10:15 am)

12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch on your Own

1:00 - 5:00 pm Breakout Sessions

5:00 - 7:00 pm Opening Reception in Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, Dec. 9th

8:00 am- 4:15 pm Roe-D-Hoe Competition Open All Day

8:00 am- 12:00 pm Breakout Sessions

10:00 - 10:30 pm Break in Exhibit Hall

12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch provided in Exhibit Hall

1:00 - 5:30 pm Breakout Sessions

3:00 - 3:30 pm Break in Exhibit Hall

5:30 - 7:00 pm Roe-D-Hoe Awards Ceremony & Reception

Wednesday, Dec. 10th

8:00 am- 12:00 pm Breakout Sessions

10:00 - 10:30 am Break in Exhibit Hall

10:30 am - 12:30 pm Breakout Sessions and Southwest Forum

1:00 - 4:30 pm NEHA Exam

Hotel Reservations. Online Hotel Reservations available

Riviera Hotel & Casino
2901 Las Vegas Blvd., South
Las Vegas, NV 89109
800.634.3420

UPDATE! In light of the current national financial crisis, we have negotiated a LOWER Room Rate -- reduced from \$84 to \$74 per night. The Riviera will make the retroactive and change all of the existing reservations to the \$74 rate. Deadline for reserving at conference rates is November 14, 2008.

Below is a listing of some current news and events from the New England States:
(Courtesy of NEIWPCC's Onsite Workgroup)

Connecticut

CT DEP Issues Final Approval for Madison Landing Discharge Permit

Decision includes conditions to ensure proper installation, operation and monitoring of wastewater system to protect natural resources.

The Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on September 23, 2008 issued a final decision granting a water discharge permit for Madison Landing – a planned active adult community that has obtained the necessary local approvals to move forward.

The final decision from DEP Commissioner Gina McCarthy incorporates provisions of the proposed permit aimed at ensuring that the advanced sewage treatment system planned for the site is properly installed and operated and that the discharge from it is carefully monitored.

In her decision, Commissioner McCarthy said, "...the Applicant has met its burden of proving that, if constructed and operated as proposed, the wastewater treatment and renovation system will protect the waters of the state from pollution. The evidence also shows that the interveners have not met their burden of proving that if the application for a permit were granted that the likely result would be unreasonable pollution, impairment or destruction of the public trust in the air, water or other natural resources."

The Madison Landing development has already been approved by Madison's Planning and Zoning Commission, which also acted in its capacity as the Madison Coastal Area Management Agency, as well as the Madison Inland Wetlands Commission.

Commenting on her decision, Commissioner McCarthy said, "DEP's role here was limited to determining if a wastewater treatment system could be operated on the Madison Landing site in a manner that would not impact nearby natural resources. The decision we faced was not to rule on the overall desirability of this project – but rather to determine if a subsurface sewage disposal system can be installed that will adequately meet the needs of the project without compromising water quality."

The permit for Madison Landing has an effective date of 10 years from the "date of issuance." The "date of issuance" will be established following installation of the system and certification that it is operating according to permit conditions and requirements.

Commissioner McCarthy's decision requires that:

- The applicant submit to DEP for review and approval plans and specifications for the proposed wastewater treatment system.
- That the permit be issued only after verification that the system has been installed in full compliance with the approved plans and specifications.
- The applicant obtain a legally enforceable agreement from Madison's water pollution control authority guaranteeing that agency will take appropriate steps to ensure effective management of the wastewater treatment system. The Department has obtained initial acknowledgement from the Town of Madison that it will ensure the effective management of the system through the establishment of financial and institutional controls to be negotiated by the applicant and the Town.
- The total amount of potential pollutants, including nitrogen, that may be discharged into groundwater be limited through an advanced level of treatment to minimize pollutant loading and to enhance and maintain the long-term health of the Long Island Sound. Nitrogen, which is contained in domestic sewage and other discharges, was closely evaluated because of the negative impact it has on water quality, natural resources and aquatic life.
- A state-certified wastewater treatment operator be responsible for the operation, maintenance and monitoring of the system to assure compliance with the discharge permit.
- The design engineer, wastewater treatment operator, and Zenon system representative provide written confirmation that the Zenon system is operating according to design specifications and permit conditions within three months of startup.
- Data collected from monitoring of the system's discharge be reported monthly to DEP – and submitted electronically to a new on-line system DEP is creating – to ensure efficient and accurate analysis and tracking of compliance with permit conditions.
- A state-licensed professional engineer perform an audit every two years to evaluate compliance with the permit and ensure the proper operation of the Zenon system. The results of the audit will be reported to the DEP, the Madison Water Pollution Control Authority and the Madison Health Department.

Background on the Permit Application:

The applicant, Leyland Alliance, LLC, of Tuxedo, N.Y., applied to DEP for a discharge permit for Madison Landing, which would be located at 1362 Boston Post Rd., Madison.

Leyland Alliance proposes to install and operate an advanced technology Zenon system for treating domestic sewage prior to discharging to a pressurized subsurface leaching system. The Zenon system is designed to treat domestic sewage using pretreatment, equalization, membrane filtration, and aerobic and anaerobic bioreaction to reduce organic compounds and solids and remove nitrogen. The permit would establish a maximum discharge of 52,500 gallons per day.

The DEP staff issued a tentative determination recommending approval of the permit application Dec. 14, 2006. Following a public hearing on the application, a DEP hearing officer issued a proposed final decision recommending approval of the permit Jan. 16, 2008.

The parties held oral arguments before Commissioner McCarthy on March 13, 2008.

Following oral arguments, the matter was remanded to the hearing officer, who took additional evidence. The Commissioner's Final Decision is the culmination of an extensive administrative process. The Commissioner's final decision is available at: www.ct.gov/dep/adjudications.

To download additional information about Connecticut regulations and the latest updates visit:
http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325706&depNav_GID=1654

The Department's new website address is www.ct.gov/dep.

Maine

A Task Force outside the Department, consisting of licensed site evaluators, local plumbing inspectors, system installers, and equipment manufacturers presented recommended rule changes to the Department July 28, 2008. We are proceeding with the formal rulemaking process including changes sought by the Department with the goal of completing the rulemaking process by January 31, 2009. A copy of the proposed changes will be available on our website as soon as possible.

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/eng/plumb/index.htm>.

Beginning July 16, 2008 system inspections for real estate transfers in the coastal Shoreland zone will become mandatory. Since 2003 the Department has conducted a Voluntary Certification Program for individuals wishing to inspect operating systems; this program will continue with the possibility of rulemaking for the mandatory inspections.

To view a list of approved I/A technologies in Maine visit:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/eng/plumb/news.htm>

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/eng/plumb/lists.htm>

Massachusetts

Revised Groundwater Regulations

The proposed revisions to the Ground Water Discharge Permitting Program Regulations (the "Ground Water Regulations"), 314 CMR 5.00, make a number of changes to streamline the existing permitting process and reduce the time it takes for an applicant to obtain a ground water discharge permit. The proposed regulations authorize the use of general permits, provide for administrative renewal of certain individual ground water discharge permits, and address two bottlenecks in the existing permitting process- the hydrogeological report and the financial assurance mechanism. To facilitate these streamlining changes, MassDEP is also revising 314 CMR 2.00, the provision of the regulations that establishes the procedures that applicants and the Department must follow when issuing permits. In addition to these streamlining changes, the proposed revisions to the Ground Water Regulations expand the list of activities that do not require a permit.

The proposed regulations also make a number of changes to streamline the Department's existing regulations and policies. The proposed changes incorporate several existing policies into the regulations, the Nutrient Loading Approach Policy, the Private Sewage Treatment Facility Policy, and the Policy Establishing the Regulatory Requirements for Closed Loop Geothermal Heat Pump Wells. The proposed

regulations also provide that the Department may issue an individual ground water discharge permit that authorizes the reuse of effluent from permitted sewage treatment facilities in accordance with the proposed Wastewater Reuse Regulations, 314 CMR 20.00. This change eliminates the need for the Department's Wastewater Reuse Policy and allows the Department to issue one permit that authorizes a ground water discharge of effluent resulting from the treatment of sewage at a facility and the reuse of this effluent as reclaimed water.

To view download the complete document, please visit:
<http://www.mass.gov/dep/service/regulations/newregs.htm>

To view a list of approved I/A technologies in Massachusetts visit:
<http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/wastewater/t5itprog.htm>

New Hampshire

Update to Env-Wq 1003.10 Rule to Repair or Replace Existing Residential ISDS

Click on the link below to read the new rule:

<http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/legal/rules/documents/env-wq1000.pdf>

Or to download the Repair-Replacement Pre-Approval form and the Repair-Replacement Questionnaire visit:

<http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/ssb/index.htm>

To download the latest information about subsurface systems in New Hampshire visit:

<http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/factsheets/ssb/index.htm>

To view a list of approved I/A technologies in New Hampshire visit:

<http://www.des.state.nh.us/factsheets/ssb/ssb-12.htm>

Rhode Island

New Septic System Rules

The Department of Environmental Management's new Rules for septic systems took effect on January 1, 2008. Under the new Rules, the term "individual sewage disposal system" (ISDS) has been replaced with the term "onsite wastewater treatment system" (OWTS) to better emphasize the importance of treatment in system function and environmental protection.

The new Rules update technical standards for the siting and design of septic systems, improve treatment for environmental protection and public health, increase protection of water resources, streamline the permitting process, and reformat the rules to follow the sequence of actions taken in permitting a septic system in Rhode Island. Among the technical changes are revisions to design standards to ensure optimal treatment in soil dispersal trenches, higher performance standards for septic systems in salt pond watersheds and on small lots with drinking water wells, and increased setbacks between large systems and drinking water wells.

The revisions to the septic system Rules were developed in conjunction with a diverse group of stakeholders. The stakeholder group included representatives from the building community, licensed septic system professionals, environmental organizations, municipal government, the University of Rhode Island, and state and federal agencies. In addition, the Department held five public workshops throughout the state, before holding a public hearing on the amendments in September.

Additional information on implementation of the new Rules, including revised forms, are posted at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/water/permits/isds/newowts.htm>.

Subscribe to the Rhode Island OWTSINFO E-mail List

The Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Program has created an e-mail list to distribute information on Department policies and rule changes. You can subscribe by sending an e-mail to: majordomo@listserve.ri.gov. In the body of the message, include the following text: "subscribe owtsinfo". Leave the subject line blank. This is an announcement-only list so you will not be able to post messages to other subscribers.

To view a list of approved I/A technologies in Rhode Island visit:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/water/permits/isds/pdfs/ialist.pdf>

Vermont

Designer Licensing Program

Visit <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/sitetech.htm> for the latest information on the Vermont Designer Licensing Program

To view a list of approved I/A technologies in Vermont visit:

<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/Innovative.htm#approvals>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 29-31, 2008: Massachusetts Health Officers Association Conference (MHOA) MassMutual Center – Springfield, MA – (YOWA Co-Sponsor)
For additional information go to www.mhoa.com.

December 8-10, 2008: 4th NOWRA Installer Academy, Las Vegas, NV. For more information go to www.nowra.org/academy.html.

December 12, 2008 (tent.): VT Soils Course -Vermont Technical College – Manchester Center, Vermont. For more information go to www.yankeeonsite.org.

April 6-9, 2009: NOWRA 18th Annual Technical Education and Exposition Conference, Milwaukee, WI. For more information go to www.nowra.org/annual_conference.html.

June 21-24, 2009 – National Environmental Health Association – Annual Educational Conference and Exhibition – Atlanta, GA. For more information go to www.neha.org.

Comments/Suggestions on topics you would like to see addressed in the YOWA newsletter or trainings you would like to see sponsored by YOWA. Send comments and suggestions to the YOWA address.

Regional and National Websites of Interest:

National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOWRA):

- www.nowra.org.

Connecticut Environmental Health Association (CEHA):

- <http://www.cteha.org/>

Maine Association of Professional Soil Scientists:

- <http://www.mapss.org>

Maine Department of Environmental Protection:

- <http://www.state.me.us/dep/index.shtml>

Maine Division of Environmental Health:

- <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/eng>

Maine Rural Water Association:

- <http://www.mainerwa.org/>

Massachusetts Title 5:

- <http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/wastewater/septicsy.htm>

National Environmental Services Center (NESC):

- <http://www.nesc.wvu.edu/>

New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission (NEIWPCC):

- <http://www.neiwpcc.org/>

New England Water Environment Association:

- <http://www.newea.org>

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services:

- <http://www.des.state.nh.us>

Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management:

- <http://www.dem.state.ri.us>

University of Rhode Island (URI) Onsite Wastewater Training Center:

- <http://www.uri.edu/ce/wq/owtc/html/owtc.html>

Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation:

- <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec>