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### **Help NOWRA spread the word!**

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## Results of NOWRA's 2011-2014 Board Elections

NOWRA members elected five individuals to fill open seats on the Board of Directors during the just-completed election, which concluded October 31. The winning candidates are as follows: John Buchanan (academic/research sector), Nancy Deal (compliance monitor/regulator), Russell Martin (engineering/designer), Tony Birrittieri (service provider), and Mike Catanzaro (supplier/vendor). The new board members officially take office December 1 and will serve three-year terms Congratulations!

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## NOWRA Renews Partnership with EPA and Other MOU Partners

NOWRA recently participated in a signing ceremony at EPA headquarters to renew the Memorandum of Understanding agreement between EPA and 16 partner organizations to work together to improve the performance of onsite systems. Pictured above are representatives from EPA and the 16 partner organizations. NOWRA President Dick Otis is shown at right, signing the agreement. Otis also served as the spokesperson for the original 6 organizations which signed on to the MOU. In his remarks, Otis thanked EPA for its past support for the industry, but also encouraged the agency to do more, as the resources it is providing the industry has lagged in recent years.

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## Make Plans to Attend the NOWRA Annual Conference

Make plans to join your colleagues April 2-5, 2012 in Providence, RI at the historic Biltmore Hotel for NOWRA's 21st Annual Conference. NOWRA is co-hosting this conference with the Yankee Onsite Wastewater Association and will serve as the location for the 4th Northeast Onsite Wastewater Short Course. This promises to be an outstanding event, and no matter what your onsite industry specialty is, you will find this conference to be valuable.

Conference Highlights:

- Three education tracks (1) The NOWRA A to Z course, (2) Management, policy and technical sessions related to onsite wastewater issues affecting the New England states, and (3) Other management, policy and technical sessions related to onsite wastewater management. While there will be a focus on New England, many, many of the issues facing that region can be found elsewhere across the country
- Extensive opportunities for networking with old friends and making new acquaintances
- A minimum of two field trips to sites in Southern New England
- A trade fair showcasing many of the leading companies providing products and services to the onsite industry.

This is an event you will not want to miss. Full details will be available soon. Watch [www.nowra.org](http://www.nowra.org) for details as they become available!

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## Editor Sought for NOWRA *Onsite Journal*

NOWRA is seeking an editor for its member publication, the NOWRA ***Onsite Journal***. The Editor is responsible for all aspects of publication associated with maintaining the ***Onsite Journal*** as the premier journal of its kind presenting perspectives on decentralized/onsite wastewater systems, policy, management and technology. If you are interested in volunteering to serve in this role, please email NOWRA Executive Director Eric Casey at [wecasey@comcast.net](mailto:wecasey@comcast.net) to receive a full description of the duties and responsibilities.

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## NOWRA Member Benefit -- Discount Equipment Financing

NOWRA has partnered with Wells Fargo to provide NOWRA members with discounts on interest rates and document fees on loans for vehicle and equipment purchases greater than \$50,000. [Details](#)

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## Make a Difference! Participate on a NOWRA Committee!

NOWRA is looking for a few good men (and women!) to serve on its committees. Can we count on you to step up? In addition to expertise in a particular area, enthusiasm and a willingness to help NOWRA are the most important characteristics we look for in committee members. [Visit our NOWRA Committees page](#)

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## Thanks to our 2011 Business Benefit Program Sponsors!

NOWRA greatly appreciates the support of those companies which have committed to be a sponsor of NOWRA activities during 2011. Our current 2011 Gold Partners are shown at right. [For a full list of our BBP partner sponsors, click here.](#)

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## Help your customers by giving them a Homeowner Folder!

NOWRA's Homeowner Folders are the perfect customer retention tool. Giving them a homeowner folder will let them:

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- Educate them about how their system operates.
- Best of all, provides you with a place to put your contact information, helping to ensure that you are the one they will call for service. Plus, it helps to ensure they have your contact information when they refer you to friends and neighbors!

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### About NOWRA

The National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOWRA) is the largest organization within the U.S. dedicated solely to educating and representing members within the onsite and decentralized industry. NOWRA has Affiliates, with constituent groups throughout the U.S. and Canada.

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