

# Onsite | 2024 Spokane, WA Wastewater Mega-Conference

Celebrating Tomorrow's Environment Clean Water for the Future









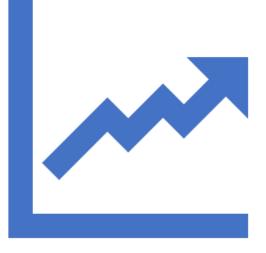


# SETTING THE STAGE



# GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

# 2024 Achievements



New Affiliate Benefits



# New Affiliate Benefits – Business Courses

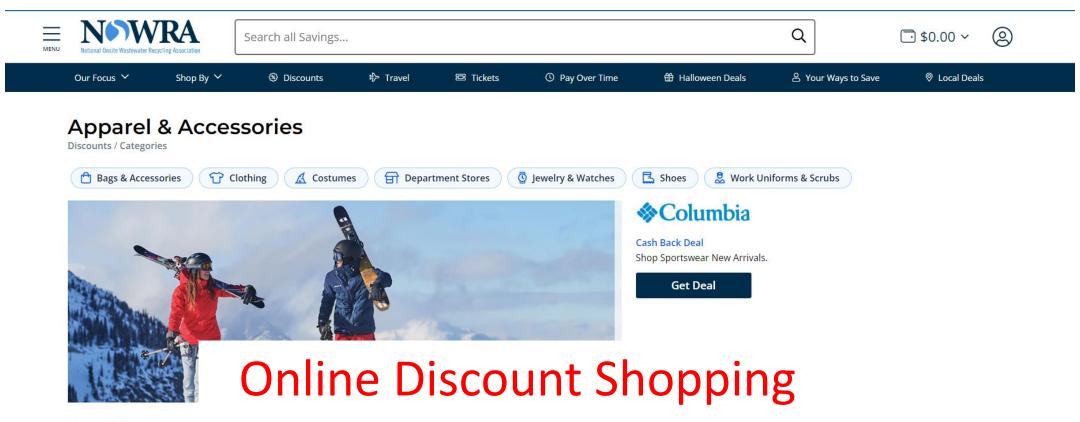
### 2 Business Courses Online

- Running a Quality Business
- Insurance Needs

1 New Regulator Course

No cost to members!

### New Affiliate Benefits – BenefitHub



### **Top Offers**



### New Affiliate Benefits – Health Insurance



- New Corporate Member
- Competitive health, dental, vision, accident, and critical illness plans
- ACA, business, health sharing
- Exclusive to members
- Giving back referral fees to state affiliates!!!

# NOWRA Company Store!



## www.companycasuals.com/NOWRA



# Government Relations



# Government Relations

- •Decentralized was included in the Clean Water Needs Survey
- Result of 2018 efforts from the BOG
- Identified \$75B in needs

# Government Relations

•Approx \$150M in grants were released for 2024 and 2025 with decentralized water and wastewater as targets!

Another result of 2018 efforts

•EPA expanded pilot projects from 11 to 150 at NOWRA's request

# Government Relations

- •Working with NAWT and PSIA to raise awareness of the lack of septage disposal options
- Gathering data and information efforts

•Advanced initiative to add secondary safety devices to accessible manholes.

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·Adding "sewer or septic" question to US Census

•We are expected to be on the 2025 ACS!

•THIS will help us have an even more powerful voice!



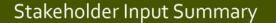
# Grants

- RCAP 3-Year grant totaling \$800,000
  - Create training in 3 areas to include
    - Difficult Sites
    - 0&M
    - Community Systems
- Two new grants we will apply for with partners
  - NRWA and RCAP

# Research Needs • Manuscript will be submitted by end of the year! Environmental Science and Technology

# NOWRA Board Activities

# Strategic Planning In Process







National Onsite
Wastewater Recycling
Association (NOWRA)

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# Organizing the Organization







Revamping our mission statement

Creating a vision statement

Categorizing goals into buckets

# NOWRA is Growing!



Created a new position



**Outreach Coordinator** 



Description will be available after the conference

# Upcoming Conferences



Kalahari Convention Center Sandusky, OH (Cleveland) OOWA

Westin Westminster Denver, CO CPOW

East TBD

October 20-22, 2025

October 25-28, 2026

October, 2027

# HELP US MOVE THE INDUSTRY FORWARD!

- Run for the NOWRA Board next year!
- Join a Committee!
- Chair a Committee!
- Get Involved!
- Make a Difference!
- Make Lifelong Friends!
- Contact Vice-president Chris LeClair:

cleclair@co.ottertail.mn.us

 https://www.nowra.org/about/governan ce/committees-and-task-forces

Emerging Professionals Scholarship Award

- Second Annual NOWRA sponsored scholarship
- Fundraising for next year is ongoing so your support is appreciated!
- Multiple applications from all over the country





### 2024 NOWRA Scholarship Recipient:

# **Lorraine Lowrey**

MS Student, Civil Engineering
Ohio University





2024 NOWRA Scholarship Recipient:

Rebecca Etter, EIT

PhD Student, Civil Engineering Auburn University



Dick Otis Award

Kevin Sherman, PE



Enjoy the Conference!



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