



News and Notes

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President's Message

Welcome to the first edition of a new SORA member benefit – a newsletter to keep you updated on SORA activities and plans! At present, the goal is to publish this newsletter twice per year. As SORA grows, we may add additional editions to the schedule. Send us your feedback! Let us know if this product is useful or if you have ideas about what kind of content you would like to see in this newsletter. Please feel free to send your feedback to SORA Executive Director Eric Casey at wecasey@comcast.net.

-Chuck Cousino

EPA Needs Your Assistance – Closing American's Wastewater Access Gap Initiative

The Environmental Protection Agency is looking to provide technical assistance to disadvantaged communities that are struggling to address failing or nonexistent decentralized/septic wastewater infrastructure. The funding at this point is only for technical assistance, but could be of considerable value to communities grappling with what options are available to meet their infrastructure needs.

SORA Annual Business Meeting

Some informative presentations highlighted the 2023 meeting

SORA Renews Its Partnership in EPA's Decentralized Wastewater MOU

In December, SORA travelled to EPA Headquarters in Washington, DC to renew its leadership position in the onsite wastewater industry, by signing on as a continuing partner to the EPA's Decentralized Wastewater Management Memorandum of Understanding.

Septic Smart Week – 2024 is coming September 16-20!

This EPA public education initiative is an opportunity for state and local governments, communities, and others to highlight the importance of caring for and maintaining septic systems.

Make plans today to attend the 2024 Onsite Wastewater Mega-Conference!

Mark your calendar for the highly anticipated 2024 Onsite Wastewater Mega-Conference, which will be held in Spokane, WA at the Doubletree Hotel/Spokane Convention Center. SORA members will be able to register for this conference at a substantially discounted rate.

SORA's Listserv – An invaluable Peer-To-Peer Information Resource

Have a difficult issue you are trying to work through? There are few better resources for getting knowledgeable insights than what your colleagues are doing to address the tough issues you face than the SORA listserv!

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