



National Association of OEW Contractors

Newsletter

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

October 2009

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as NAOC President for the last three years. I was honored to lead this organization and help it advance during what I consider a significant growth period and period of change for the industry. Hopefully you have experienced a greater value in your membership and interaction with NAOC during this time period. Industry organizations like NAOC are designed to help its members better understand and support clients' need, raise awareness and focus on the value and services the industry provides, and create an environment where industry representatives (companies and clients alike) can create partnerships that allow them to meet these needs. I believe we have built-up on the strong foundation of our organization to realize these goals for NAOC. This has been possible only through the support of selfless and dedicated fellow Board of Directors, dedicated committee chairs, members, and volunteers. I hope to be able to continue to support the organization through on-going participation on the Board of Directors, but it is time to let someone else influence the organization with their ideas and leadership.



Heather L. Polinsky

I look forward to our continued success in the advancement of our initiatives:

- Ongoing and broadened partnering with the organizations we support
- Completion and strengthening of our role in setting and upholding the standards under which we work
- Continued advocacy for additional funding to address the risks associated with MEC and MC
- Continued advancement of technology development and transfer
- Further growth in the expansion of our services on the global arena

I believe for NAOC to continue to thrive and add value to our membership that we individually need to look at how we support NAOC and dovetail our support to the organization along with the professional development of our staff. As we have seen a greater focus on competition at the task order level, I also believe we've seen a reduction in the time people are able to commit to organizations like NAOC. I also know being the primary and secondary POCs to the NAOC is often a position of stature within an organization, I would like to remind everyone that those assigned POCs are designated for ease of communication and for official business, such as elections. In fact, NAOC is open to all the employees of member company. I suggest that NAOC be used as a way to recognize your "up and comers", the employees that you see taking on a larger role in this growing market, by affording them the opportunity to engage and support NAOC initiatives and committees. The time commitment for a typical committee member is likely around 20-40 hours annually, but the opportunity to learn, contribute and make lasting connections, in my opinion, far exceeds the investment. I challenge every member company to identify at least one staff member to engage in NAOC in a meaningful way, this will leverage your time and involvement, help them grow professionally and help NAOC to achieve the industries goals. I see this as a win-win for all!

Thanks and I look forward to seeing you in Fort Lauderdale!

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Welcome New Members

- Aqua Survey
- MEC Industries, Inc.
- Schonstedt Instruments, Co
- J.M. Waller Associates, Inc.
- E W Wells Group LLC

NAOC's Vision: To advance NAOC as the global leader for munitions response services.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2-5 Nov NAOC Fall Meeting
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
www.naoc.org
- 10-12 Nov 9th Australian Explosive Ordnance Symposium,
Adelaide, South Australia
- 1-3 Dec SERDP/ESTCP
Washington, DC
www.serdp-estcp.org
- 15-17 Dec Military Munitions Support Services (M2S2)
(formerly known as the Stand Down)
Huntsville, AL
- December TBD DAER Explosives Safety Conference
Ottawa, ON

2010 Events

- 4-7 May SAME National JETC
Atlanta, GA
www.same.org/JETC
- 14-17 June E2S2 Conference
Denver, CO
www.ndiae2s2.org

Call for Papers due December 1, 2009

Don't Forget to Join Us
for our
NAOC FALL MEETING
November 2-5, 2009
in
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
see pages 8-11
for more details

NAOC Brochure Gets a Face Lift

Those of you in attendance at the UXO Forum may have noticed our new brochure. It has been updated to reflect our goals and vision and has a snazzy new look. That snazzy new look is the result of the artistic talents and volunteered time of **Michael Phillips and Justin Ritmiller, both of Booz Allen Hamilton**. Also recognized are the following member firms that graciously contributed their project photographs to update and add interest to our brochure:

AECOM

AECOM, Inc.



USA Environmental, Inc.



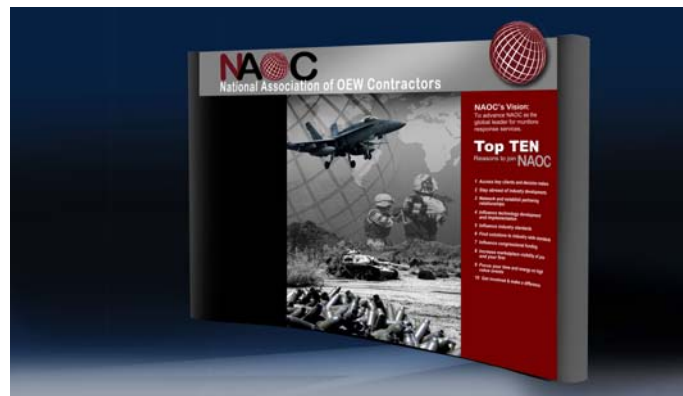
VRHabilis, LLC



American EOD Services, Inc.

And So Did our Booth.....

We also had a booth makeover. The polished and classy look is the result of the volunteered time and artistic perfectionist, **Mr. Tim Richards, of Malcolm Pirnie, Inc.** Thank you Tim!



NAOC Committees

Operations and Standards

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Mission Statement:

To advise government agencies on operations and standards issues in the areas of, personnel, safety, training, and technology as they relate to OE/UXO work sites.

Operations and Standards

Well another year with the Ops & Std Committee is coming to an end. We accomplished:

- **Consensus Standard** - Thanks to Tom Shehan and his staff at TEEEX we have incorporated the BOD's review comments, and revised the document. It was distributed to the membership in early August. Currently I have only received comments from two of our member companies. I recommend each company review the document and get comments to me as soon as possible. Our intention is to release the document for outside agency review as soon as our members comments are reviewed and incorporated.
- **ATF issue** - Rick Hanoski has been leading our efforts to work with the ATF to make the provisions of the Safe Explosives Act more useable. We have concurrence on our efforts from ATF, now we need to work on the language and the submission process on the hill.
- **Document reviews** - We have also facilitated several document reviews requested by the MMCX over the past year.

After 3 years of work on the committee I have decided not to run for another year. I ask each of you that work for a company that will support you with the time and budget necessary, to consider volunteering for the committee, and possibly providing leadership as the Chairman. It is an excellent opportunity for you to directly affect this industry.

I'd like to thank the following members of the committee for the contributions they have made during 2009:

Gene Barber - TLI Solutions
Doug Lamothe - ECC
Sonny Richardson - WESTON
Tom Shehan - TEEEX
Mark Fletcher - ARCADIS
Ron Mendenhall - HGL

George DeMetropolis - CH2M Hill
Dave Mercadante - EA
Joe Cudney - PARSONS
Mac Reed - URS
Mike Gronseth - MWH
Rick Hanoski - EA

Jeff Leberfingler - ARM
Jack Norris - AEC
John Melcher - HGL
Andreas Kothleitner - URS
Rodney Truman - ADVENT
Frank Czajkowski - ECC

That's about it from Ops & Std, except to wish you all well, and hope you can make it to the annual meeting next month.

Government Affairs

The appropriations and authorization process was off to a quick start after the President's Budget was released earlier this spring. The House passed its version of all 12 appropriations bills, while the Senate has been slower and, as of the writing of this article, has only passed seven bills. Below is the status of various bills relevant to NAOOC:

- FY2010 Defense Appropriations Act - The House and Senate have both passed their versions of the bill. It is currently in an unofficial conference as the Senate has named conferees, but the House has not. The future of this bill remains very much in flux. Chairman Murtha suggested the conference could be completed and the report considered on the House floor as early as the week of 26 October. Speaker Pelosi has not made any commitment on when it will be considered.
- FY2010 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act - The House, but not the Senate, has voted on the bill. The bill may be considered on the Senate floor the week of 26 October.
- FY2010 The Defense Authorization Act (which includes authorization for both FUDS and BRAC) - The Conference Report has passed out of both houses and was sent to President Obama for his signature on 22 October.

Congress passed a short term continuing Resolution (CR), which goes through the end of October. The slow progress of considering bills in the Senate has brought into questions this year's appropriations cycle and whether Congress will eventually pass an omnibus spending bill for outstanding appropriations measures. Democrats still indicate they want to pass all 12 spending bills individually. However, with other pending legislation, this may not, be possible.

This year, NAOOC submitted a request to increase both the FUDS and the BRAC1990 (Legacy BRAC) accounts by \$100 million in the House and Senate. Below is a summary of the current funding levels:

- FY 2010 President' Budget request FUDS - \$267,700,000
- FY 2010 President' Budget request BRAC 1990 Account - \$396,768,000
- FY 2010 Senate Defense Appropriations for FUDS - \$307,700,000 (\$40 million plus up)
- FY 2010 House Defense Appropriations for FUDS - \$277,700,000 (\$10 million plus up)
- FY 2010 Senate BRAC 1990 Account Appropriations - \$421,768,000 (\$25 million plus up)
- FY 2010 House BRAC 1990 Account Appropriations - \$536,768,000 (\$140 million plus up)

In addition, NAOOC sought two provisions in the FY2010 Defense Authorization Act. First, is the requirement that the Department of Defense collect and report county specific information for MMRP sites in the Defense Environmental Programs Annual Report to Congress. The second is a provision requiring the Secretary of Defense separate funding requests for MMRP and IRP part of the annual budget submission.

We have had a very successful 2009. I thank all of you for affording me the opportunity to serve as your Government Affairs Committee Chairperson. I look forward to seeing all of you at the general membership meeting in Fort Lauderdale.

Government Affairs

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Mission Statement:

Develop, improve and sustain government-industry partnerships through dialogue and interaction with government agencies and organizations.

Technology

The fall SERDP/ESTCP In-Progress Review (IPR) meeting concerning Munitions Management thrust area projects were held in Arlington, Virginia on October 6, 2009. A wide range of presentations were given detailing a number of new technologies. Talking points for each new technology presented include: proposed use of the new technology, current developmental stage, and plans for technology transfer to the geophysics community (the end users). Andrew Schwartz, USACE – Huntsville presented a discussion MM-0507: Demonstration and Validation of Target Size Modeling Methods. The discussion presented methods for estimating target sizes that could be used in developing better characterization strategies such as determining adequate transect spacing's for mapping potential targets. Copies of the IPR presentations have been posted to the NAOC website on the technology page.

The GPO Work Group organized by SERDP/ESTCP to examine the current use and value of Geophysical Prove Outs (GPO) provided a finalized GSV document at the UXO Forum. The GPO work group presented several presentations covering the new guidelines as well as offering a training course for them at the UXO Forum. Copies of the GSV document have been posted to the NAOC website on the technology page.

SERDP-ESTCP 2009 Symposium "Partners in Environmental Technology. Technology Symposium and Workshop will be held December 1-3, 2009 in Washington DC. More info about the Symposium can be found at www.serdp-estcp.org. On Tuesday afternoon, December 1st there will be a short course entitled "*Geophysical System Verification – Alternative to Geophysical Prove-Outs (GPO)*". This short course will highlight the more rigorous physics-based alternative to geophysical prove-outs (GPO): Geophysical System Verification (GSV). On December 3rd there will also be a full day short course entitled "*Visual Sample Plan – Unexploded Ordnance Module*". SERDP and ESTCP released a webcast of their short course entitled "*Classification Methods for Military Munitions Response*". The webcast provides a tutorial on the sensors, methods, and status of the classification of military munitions using geophysical methods. The webcast also covers advanced processing of data collected with existing commercial instruments, as well as the promising results from emerging optimized systems. To view the webcast go to the link <http://www.estcp.org/links/classification-webcast.cfm>.

Member Services

Your Member Services Committee is proud to announce the most successful NAOC Reception to date. This year's event at the UXO/Countermine/Range Forum in Orlando, Florida hosted more than 300 member attendees and their invited guests, quickly filling the reception rooms to over-flowing! Great thanks go to Mary Franquemont, Gene Barber and friends with TLI Solutions who stepped in and assisted with collecting and handing out tickets and offering moral support! This year's Forum provided us with a great opportunity to show off our booth and display our new brochure. Many, many special thanks go to Cheryl Kennedy with Malcolm Pirnie for all the planning and preparations for the booth and the reception – she is an invaluable asset to our committee. I also want to thank Terry Northcutt of Timberline Environmental Services and Rick Hanoski EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc for booth set up and breakdown. Thanks Fellas! And one more "thank you" to all the members who volunteered to babysit the booth. You are much appreciated!

As you know, the Leadership Awards were presented during our NAOC reception at the UXO Forum. Congratulations to both our government and industry recipients, Congressman Blumenauer and Ben Redmond. It's never too early to start thinking about next year's nominees!

Since the Forum, Member Services has been busy planning this year's Fall Meeting. We are excited about the speaker line up and look forward to a successful meeting with strong attendance. The venue is sunny Fort Lauderdale in early November, reason enough to join us! See the details in this newsletter!

I'm very excited to announce that we've added several new members since the last newsletter. Please join me in welcoming our newest members: **Aqua Survey, Inc., J.M. Waller Associates Inc., MEC Industries Inc., E W Wells Group LLC, and Schonstedt Instrument Company.**

NAOC Committees

Technology

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Mission Statement:

Promote the research and development of promising technologies and the successful transfer of validated technologies for improved, safe, and cost-effective MEC detection, discrimination, and remediation solutions. Encourage synergy between government, industry, and academia to advance technologies for performing MEC-related site cleanup.

Member Services



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Mission Statement:

Show maximum value and benefits of membership to retain existing members and attract new members by providing: a) access to industry shapers, b) mechanism for promotion of industry, and c) opportunity to impact breaking industry events and information.

International Affairs

Committee Members:

Deanna Enman (XTech); John Allan (NAVEA Geophysics); Cheryl Mahoney (TLi Solutions); Kyra Donnell (CH2M Hill); Ray Velasquez (ECC); Ray Peek (RONCO); Jonathan Sperka (HGL); Mike Warminsky (UXB); Mark Fletcher (ARCADIS)

As we wind down 2009 I want to thank those International Affairs Special Committee and Canadian Affairs Subcommittee members who have participated and helped to finalize our International and Canadian goals and refined our mission statement. We have also started to detail the means by which we will accomplish those goals as you will see below. Thanks and hope to see you at the NAOC Fall Meeting.

International Goals:

1. Liaison between industry and government. We will work with and promote partnering sessions with International and Canadian Governments through interfacing at conferences and direct contact to establish meetings. Partner with the specific agencies that contract this work – USACE Huntsville, Afghanistan Engineering District and USACE Baltimore.
2. Increasing international membership. Soliciting International companies to explain the benefits and services of NAOC, but also remembering that we need to tread carefully and respect the fact that there are also domestic markets and established players in those markets.
3. Increased visibility at international conferences. We need to get involved and increase our visibility at international conferences. We are establishing a list of international conferences and will try to generate interest within NAOC to attend.
4. Resolving issues for NAOC member firms operating internationally. Once we start to accomplish bullets 1 – 3 above and get us known then I believe this will naturally fall in place.

Potential Canadian Goals:

1. Increasing Canadian memberships. We did have some Canadian Firms talk to those of us at the NAOC booth at the Canadian UXO Forum about membership but they have been a little slow to actually join us. We will follow up with these firms but we have found out some of the reasons they have not joined so far; The Canadian dollar is weaker, most Canadian Companies are smaller than their American counterparts and most of these firms do not do business in the U.S., and the Canadian Government has not initiated many projects recently and is in fact reorganizing.
2. Discuss issues for firms operating in Canada and Canadian firms working in the US. This topic will be approached once the Canadian Government has finished with the reorganization of their MMR Program.
3. Technology Application and Transfer; Training and Qualifications. Training and Qualifications are being addressed in the Consensus Standards that will soon be sent to Government and Regulators for review. Technology Application and Transfer will need to be further discussed next year but this topic will also fall into place once projects start back up and the American and Canadian companies start working together again.
4. Consensus Operational Standards for Industry. The first step will be for the Canadian MMRP Firms to review and comment on the completed consensus standards once they are finalized. (The Consensus Standard was released to our internal members in early August.) Then the next step would be to ask for a review, comment and ultimate approval by the Canadian Government.

NAOC Committees

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Mission Statement:

To promote NAOC as a global organization by expanding membership internationally and to provide global leadership for technical and operational standards in the munitions response arena

NAOC Leadership Award

CONGRATULATIONS

to

Mr. Ben Redmond & Congressman Earl Blumenauer

NAOC presented our 1st Annual NAOC Leadership Awards to Chuck Theison and David Douthat at the OE Stand Down in December 2007. At the 2009 UXO Forum this past August, we announced and recognized our 2009 Leadership Award recipients. The NAOC Leadership Award recognizes significant contributions made by an individual within NAOC or outside to improve NAOC and the Munitions Response industry. Areas examined include leadership, professionalism, and community service. There are two categories in which we give this award, (1) a Government employee or official, and (2) a current or former NAOC member (industry representative).

We received excellent nominations this year for both categories and a panel of reviewers made up of member companies supporting our major committees selected our recipients and recommended them to the board for approval.

This year the recipients were:

Government – Congressman Earl Blumenauer. While he was not present to accept this recognition, we presented the award to him in September after Congress returned to Washington. Congressman Blumenauer was honored by the recognition. Congressman Blumenauer was selected as a result of his commitment and success in gaining awareness about our issues in Congress. Some of Congressman Blumenauer's accomplishments and highlights of his support to our industry include:



- Chairman UXO Caucus of House of Representatives
- Diligently advocating for additional funding for MR program
- Proponent tech transfer and lobbied for additional funding to support
- Supported the Defense Authorization Bill language to formalize the MR program
- Worked to develop a Comprehensive UXO bill
- Prepared Dear Colleague letters to ask members of House to support additional funding for UXO cleanup
- Issued amendments to the FY10 Defense Authorization Bill requesting additional \$100M for FUDS account

Please welcome me in congratulating and thanking Congressman Blumenauer on his contribution to the industry and recognizing his lead staffer Stephanie Cappa for working with us to further the awareness and support of this non partisan issue.

Industry – Ben Redmond. Ben is recognized as a leader in the Munitions Response industry. He has dedicated 35 years to the advancement of the MR industry with 22 years in the service of his country.

His military experience includes service as the OIC of various EOD units from special operations 3-men teams to 75 person EOD platoons and a 160 person Ranger Control Unit.

Cofounder of NAOC, he served as the inaugural Vice President and Vice Chairman of the Board. Ben has held three (3) terms as President and nine (9) terms as Director, including his current role as a member of the Board of Directors.

His testimony before subcommittees on Milcon & Veteran Affairs on behalf of NAOC elevated our recognition to a whole new level.

Ben's passion for MMRP is evident and his active participation in NAOC has been instrumental in the evolution on the MMRP and provides significant technical knowledge. I don't believe we would all be where we are today as an organization without Ben's selfless contributions... I know I wouldn't.

Please join me in recognizing Ben Redmond in his superior service, dedication and passion for our industry. Thank you Ben!

Mr. Ben Redmond's Acceptance Speech

Madam President, NAOC Officers, Fellow Directors; NAOC Members, Past Recipients of this award (David Douthat, Chuck & Liz Thiesen), Representative Blaumenauer, Secretary Davis, My boss and President of CH2M Hill Environmental Services Gene Lupia; and other distinguished guests. I also would like to thank and recognize Mark Read for his leadership to this community. Mark was one of the founders of EOD Technology and a best friend to Doug Lamonte and myself. He was respected throughout the entire EOD/UXO Community. Mark died from cancer in 1994 just as the UXO Industry was starting to grow. I also thank my family and especially my wife, Helen, who has supported me over the years as I have dedicated many extra hours on weekends and Holidays.

Theme: SERVICE

Where were you on December 10, 1983. I was six months into leading the largest range refurbishment effort since the beginning of the Korean War. Responsible for the removal of unexploded ordnance over 4,400 acres of dud hazard range impact areas at Camp Lejeune, NC.

On the same day in the Tierrasanta housing area (Spanish for "Holy Land") constructed on a Formerly Used Defense Site known as Camp Elliott in Northern San Diego County, California a tragic event that would signal the birth of our Industry was occurring. Six children between the ages of eight to twelve were playing in a anyone behind their home at the end of a cul-de-sac where they discovered a metal object pack in dirt. Mathew Smith and Corey Peake, both 8 years old though their discovery was some type of treasure. To remove the dirt the two boys started banging the treasure against a rock while Corey's older brother Carl Peake, age twelve watched. On the second strike, the object, a 37mm High Explosive Projectile exploded killing the two children and seriously injuring Carl.

Shortly after this accident, local Congressional Representatives Bill Lowery (R-San Diego) was able to obtain a commitment from Department of Defense Secretary Casper Weinberger to designate \$4.5M from the Environment Restoration Fund to look for and remove UXO from this housing area. In addition, legislation was passed that required the Department of Defense to conduct a study to determine if there were other sites like Tierrasanta and report back to Congress. The Department of Defense after several extensions finally reported back to Congress in 1989 that there were other sites like Tierrasanta. In fact at that time the estimate was 6,000 sites. While a lot has been accomplished since 1989 there are still thousands of sites remaining to be investigated.

I did not realize it then, but the career I had chosen in the military and would choose just a few short years later as a civilian is not just about removal of UXO. It is about service to our community.

I am privileged to work for a company that is known for service to our community. The work that our industry performs makes the world a better, safer place to live and work. Every person here tonight should take a moment and recognize the importance of what this industry accomplishes every day.

The industry born of a tragedy and the UXO removal at the Tierrasanta housing area has proven over the years to have been a success, as have many other clearances. The National Association of Ordnance and Explosives Waste Contractors created from the companies that perform this service have had their voice heard on Capitol Hill, at the Pentagon, and all levels of government across this great land. Our Association has gained a reputation for providing a consensus view that represents all companies fairly and furthering the cause to reduce this hazard, making our communities safer.

On behalf of the service to humanity that our industry represents and all of the dedicated professionals we have that make our world a better place to live, I humbly accept this award.

Press Release for Congressman Blumenauer

The National Association of Ordnance and Explosive Waste Contractors (NAOC) announced the recipients of the 2009 NAOC Leadership Award on 26 August 2009. Each year NAOC recognizes both a government and an industry representative for significant contributions to the Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP).

This year's government recipient is Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-OR). Congressman Blumenauer serves as the Chairman of the Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Caucus in the House of Representatives. In this capacity, he has diligently advocated for additional funding for environmental restoration at Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) as well as championing the implementation of new cleanup technologies. He has also worked to develop a comprehensive UXO/environmental restoration bill to address many of the problems and shortfalls of the current cleanup program. Elected to the US House of Representatives in 1996, Congressman Blumenauer serves as a member of the Ways and Means and Budget Committees. Congressman Blumenauer also serves as Vice Chair of the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming.

"This is a great honor, and I thank NAOC for the work they do every day to address the serious issue of unexploded ordnance. Leftover military munitions impact communities across the nation and around the globe, putting people and the environment at risk. For years I have been working to protect people from the weapons and chemicals left behind from military training, and Congress must make the cleanup of UXOs a top environmental and national security priority. We have had great success this year, passing two amendments that will reduce the environmental impacts of military operations. Through collaboration with groups like NAOC, there will be more opportunities in the months and years ahead to reduce waste and security risks linked to UXOs."

NAOC is the trade association for the firms involved in the detection and remediation of UXO. The remediation is done on active military bases, Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) and Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) sites. NAOC includes more than 60 member companies, employing 250,000 people in every state of the Union and in most Congressional Districts. The member companies participate in the system across the entire spectrum from the development of detection technologies to the actual cleanup of UXO sites.

NAOC Fall Meeting focusing on
"MEANINGFUL EXPANSION"
November 3-5, 2009 Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Save the Dates!

With its largest membership to date, the NAOC is looking forward to another outstanding event. This year's theme is "Meaningful Expansion", targeting speakers with a vision to future challenges and opportunities in our industry.

The meeting will be held at the newly remodeled Hyatt Regency Pier 66. The Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, November 3rd 2009. As always, the Board meeting is open to all members.

Representatives from each NAOC member firm may attend free of charge. Non-member firms may attend the meeting by prepaying \$650 per person; the payment may be applied to 2010 membership dues. Attendance fee checks should be made payable to NAOC, and mailed to John Chionchio c/o USA Environmental, Inc., 5802 Benjamin Center Drive, Suite 101, Tampa FL 33634.

For those member firms that will not be present, please provide a proxy to an attending firm who can cast your vote for the Board elections. Proxy forms will be sent out prior to the meeting. General proxy authority can be granted by one firm to an attending individual through an email as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Kennedy at ckennedy@pirnie.com or 914-641-2820, or Kyra Donnell, NAOC Member Services Chairperson at kdonnell@ch2m.com or 865-607-0502.

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One-Way Taxi service estimated at \$12, No complimentary
shuttle

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November 3-5, 2009 Fort Lauderdale, Florida

TUESDAY, - NOVEMBER 3, 2009

0900 AM - 2:00 PM

**NAOC Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
 Open to NAOC Member Firms Only**

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**Geophysical System Verification Workshop Mr. Herb Nelson,
 SERDP (Open to all Attendees)**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2009

0800AM – 10:00AM

8:00 AM - 8:10 AM
 8:10 AM - 8:20 AM
 8:20 AM - 8:30 AM
 8:30 AM - 8:50 AM
 8:50 AM - 9:10 AM
 9:10 AM - 9:30 AM
 9:30 AM - 9:50 AM
 9:50 AM - 10:00 AM

**NAOC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
 MEETING (Open to NAOC Member
 Firms Only)**

President's Opening Remarks
 Secretary's Report
 Treasurer's Report
 Operations and Standards Report
 Technology Report
 Member Services Report
 Government Affairs Report
 President's Closing Remarks

10:15 AM – 5:20 PM

**SPEAKER SESSION
 Open to All Attendees**

10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

- The Navy Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) Status and Overview
- NAVFAC MMRP Opportunities/Contracts
- Future Underwater Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Program Issues /Policies /Concerns/Outlook

NAVFAC, Mr. Brian Harrison

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

- The Air Force MMRP and SRP Status and Overview
- AFCEE MMRP Opportunities/Contracts

AFCEE, Mr. Jonathan Haliscak

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE,
 Mr. Jurgen Braunstein**

- An Overview of the European UXO Program and the Overall Market Opportunities

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

**CANADIAN PROGRAM,
 Mr. Gilles Belley &
 Mr. Arthur Mulack**

- Canadian Legacy Program – Overview and Status

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

USACE, Ms. Carol Youkey

- MMRP and SRP Overview, Status and Issues – USACE Perspective
- USACE MMRP Opportunities/Contracts

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

US AEC, Ms. Nancy Kosko

- MMRP Status and Overview – US AEC Perspective
- US AEC MMRP Opportunities/Contracts

3:00 PM - 3:20 PM

BREAK

3:20 PM – 3:50 PM

**NGB, Chief of Clean up and
 Restoration, LTC William Myer**

- NGB MMRP
- Lessons Learned on Project Execution

3:50 PM – 4:10 PM

USACE, Ms. Chris Cochrane

- Lessons Learned During the Red River Army Depot RI/FS

4:10 PM – 4:30 PM

**FLORIDA DEP, Ms. Leslie Smith &
 Ms. Geetha Selvendran**

- Overview of state regulations, ARARs and target cleanup levels

4:30 PM – 4:50 PM

**USACE PERFORMANCE WORK
 STATEMENT TEMPLATE,
 Mr. Brendan Slater**

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

NAOC RECEPTION

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AGENDA

November 3-5, 2009 Fort Lauderdale, Florida

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2009

7:15 AM - 8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

NEW MEMBER FIRM INTRODUCTIONS

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| 1. Aqua Survey, Inc | 8. MEC Industries |
| 2. Cabrera Services | 9. Munitions Management Group |
| 3. Critical Mission Support Services LLC | 10. NOTRA, Inc. |
| 4. E W Wells Group LLC | 11. One Stop Environmental, LLC |
| 5. Florida Energy Services, Inc | 12. Schonstedt Instrument Company |
| 6. J.M. Waller Associates Inc | 13. Terranear PMC, LLC |
| 7. Matrix Environmental Services, Inc | 14. VR Habilis LLC |

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

**PERFORMANCE BASED CONTRACTING (PBC),
Mr. Allan V. Burman, Jefferson Consulting Group**

9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

PANEL DISCUSSIONS – TOPIC: PBC

10:45 AM - 11:15 AM

BREAK

11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Elections for NAOC BOD

12:15PM - 12:25 PM

Closing Remarks/Adjourn - General Membership Meeting

12:25 PM – 1:10 PM

NAOC BOD Meeting: Nominations and Elections of Officers and Committee Chairs

1:10 PM – 1:25 PM

Closing Remarks/ Adjourn BOD

Other Special Guests invited include

- Defense Ammunition Center

ANNUAL ELECTIONS

TO ALL NAOC MEMBER COMPANIES:

The purpose of this email is to provide information regarding the **Annual Election of the NAOC Board of Directors and Officers** for the upcoming year, and to solicit input from those companies and company representatives that desire to be elected to the Board of Directors and, potentially, to one of the Officer positions.

The Annual General Membership meeting will be conducted in Fort Lauderdale, FL 3-5 November, 2009. The week's events will be as follows:

- Meeting of the Current Board of Directors on Tuesday morning (this is open to all members)
- GSV Workshop Tuesday late afternoon
- General Membership Meeting Wednesday morning
- Speaker Session immediately following the General Membership Meeting and continue until mid Thursday morning
- Elections of a new Board of Directors Thursday late morning, and finally
- Meeting of the in-coming Board of Directors to elect Officers for the coming year and schedule the December Board Meeting.

For those of you who are new members, or need a reminder on the election process:

- The Board is comprised of nine member companies. Companies, not individuals are elected to the Board.
- The General Membership elects member companies to the Board. Each member company is given the opportunity in person or through proxy to vote for up to nine member companies.
- The new Board then elects the Officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary) and solicits volunteers for Committee Chairpersons (four standing committees – Technology, Government Affairs, Membership, Operations and Standards and a special committee for International Affairs).

I encourage anyone that has the desire, time and support of their management to get involved. We need good people with fresh ideas, diverse backgrounds, and industry experience to lead our Association. The role of our industry association has a lot of momentum and your involvement can be beneficial for the industry, your company and you individually. If you can and you have the desire to run for election to the Board of Directors or an Officer position, or to simply get involved as a Committee Chairperson, please make your intentions known to the general membership via email or you can announce your intentions at our meeting.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Florida. An updated meeting agenda will be distributed and posted on the website.

If you cannot attend the meeting, please send a “proxy” to Suzy Mckinney and myself identifying that you will not be present and that you will be giving your authorization to another member firm to represent you during the elections. This can be accomplished by a simple email to us with a copy to the person/organization who will be representing you.

Heather L. Polinsky

President

National Association of Ordnance and Explosives Waste Contractors (NAOC)



InfoPro Corporation (IPC) is a Woman-Owned, Small Disadvantaged Business headquartered in Huntsville, AL. Founded in 1985, IPC is among the industry leaders in explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) and remediation of unexploded ordnance and certain other hazardous materials. We provide environmental remediation services consisting of comprehensive UXO/MEC solutions including: UXO/MEC detection, design, remediation and render safe procedures; EOD and UXO training; UXO avoidance; construction Support; and UXO range maintenance. IPC provides over 70 certified instructors training students from all branches of the Armed Forces, 90 foreign nations and other agencies of the Federal Government at the only DOD-wide basic and advanced EOD Training School in the world.

IPC exceeds safety requirements with our acceptance into the Volunteer Protection Program (VPP) developed by OSHA.

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J. M. Waller Associates, Inc. (JMWA®), a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), provides cost-effective and responsive technical solutions to support clients' architectural, engineering, logistics and planning requirements. With quality as our cornerstone, our services support the development and implementation of solutions to client challenges in three core service areas: Environmental, Safety & Occupational Health Management; Facility Planning, Design and Construction Management; and Logistics and Sustaining Engineering. Our past and current clients include industry, municipal, state and federal agencies. We have performed as a prime contractor and subcontractor at more than 2200 locations worldwide on over 40 large, ID/IQ contracts. Our environmental remediation and military munitions response experience includes supporting BRAC and FUDS installations such as Fort Ord, Fort Monroe, and Former Nansmond Ordnance Depot, and active installations such as Naval Surface Weapons Centers, Dahlgren and White Oak, and Andrews AFB. We are also a holder of an EPA RAC contract in Region 4.

J.M. Waller is proud to be a new member of the National Association of OEW Contractors and looks forward to helping the organization support the overall growth of the industry.

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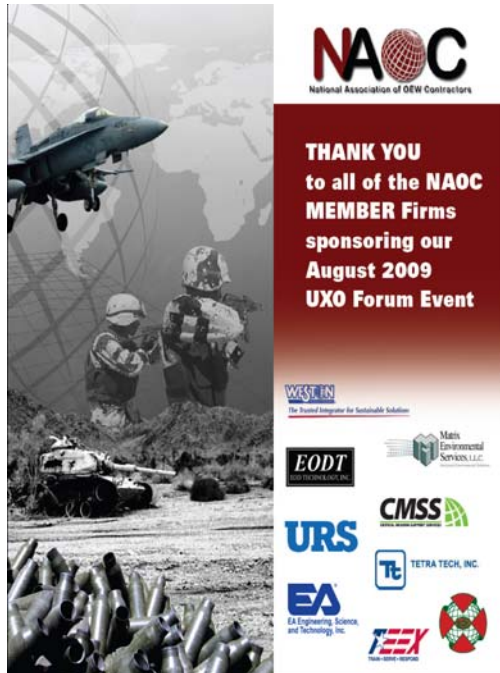
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Embarking on a New Era

Two client-focused firms, Malcolm Pirnie and ARCADIS, have joined together! It's a powerhouse combination, providing greater service diversity and depth of knowledge worldwide. We've got what it takes to solve your complex challenges.



NAOC News Gallery



UXO Forum - August 24-27, 2009 Orlando, FL

For those of you who were not able to attend the 2009 UXO Forum in Orlando FL, August 24-27, it was a very informative and fun-filled event. NAOC exhibited and hosted a phenomenal hospitality event for our members and guest. Thank you to those member firms that helped man the booth.

Several NAOC member firms gave presentations. Please visit www.theforum2009.com to download the presentations.

SERDP & ESTCP Joint Annual Fall 2009 In-Progress Review MM Focus Area October 6th, 2009

The presentations from this meeting have been uploaded to the NAOC website. For information please contact Mr. Jeffrey Leberfinger at ARM Geophysics 717.508.0555 or jleberfinger@armgeophysics.net.

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

08:30	Convene/Opening Remarks	SERDP/ESTCP Deputy Director
08:35	Program Update/Introduction	Munitions Management Program Manager
08:45	MM-0739: Deep Water Munitions Detection System	Dr. Thomas Bell, SAIC Inc.
09:30	MM-1442: Statistical and Adaptive Signal Processing for UXO Discrimination for Next-Generation Sensor Data	Dr. Leslie Collins, Duke University
10:15	Break	
10:30	MM-0809: ALLTEM Multi-Axis EMI System Demonstration and Validation	Dr. Theodore Asch, USGS
11:15	MM-1511: Man-Portable Magnetic Scalar Triangulation and Ranging System for Detection, Localization and Discrimination of UXO	Dr. Roy Wiegert, NSWC-PC
12:00	Working Lunch	
13:00	MM-1509: Development of Autonomous UAV Helicopter-Magnetometer System for Wide Area Assessment	Dr. Roelof Versteeg, Idaho National Laboratory
13:45	MM-0507: Demonstration and Validation of Target Size Modeling Methods	Mr. Andrew Schwartz, USACE-Huntsville
14:30	Closed Door Discussion	
15:30	Adjourn	

Status of NAOC Strategic Plan

The Strategic Committee has finalized the Mission Statement and SWOT Analysis. I will present the proposed Strategic Objectives for the Board on November 3rd. The mission Statement will be forwarded to the Board when complete.

- Strategic Objectives will be specifically defined by accompanying commentaries (one to two paragraphs) along with proposed owners (e.g. Committees or individuals, where appropriate) and a flow chart of how they relate to one another.
- Concurrently the Strategic Plan will include a “map” of objectives with an identification of specific initiatives and performance measures. Draft initiatives and performance measures will be provided to the Board and Committees for approval and recommendations to the new board.
- Feedback will be solicited at the membership meeting. The Draft Plan will be passed to new Board in December for finalization and execution.

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NEWS RELEASE

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For immediate release:
October 28, 2009

Bay West Awarded Environmental Operations & Maintenance Task Order at Lackland Air Force Base, TX

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA—**Bay West, Inc.**, an environmental services company, announced that it has been awarded a task order under the Tulsa District US Army Corps of Engineers to perform Long Term Management (LTM) and Remedial Action Operations (RA-O) services at Lackland Air Force Base, located near San Antonio, Texas. Total value of the base task order and pending options is \$2.15M. Bay West and its team member, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), were awarded this competitively bid project under its Environmental Remediation Services Contract (ERSC) for the Tulsa District.

Bay West will be performing RA-O, executing the groundwater monitoring wells maintenance program, and maintaining landfill caps/cover systems and providing period compliance inspections for 13 landfills at the Base.

Bay West provides environmental, industrial, and emergency services to commercial and Government customers nationwide. For more information on Bay West, log onto www.baywest.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEEX, ISSEE partner to expand security & explosive training opportunities

By Chuck Glenewinkel
Date: August 20, 2009

The Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) and the International School for Security and Explosive Education (ISSEE) have joined together to meet worldwide needs by providing certified counter-terrorism, security and unexploded ordnance disposal training.

A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed last week in College Station, Texas, between TEEX and ISSEE – two of the world's most recognized private-sector training providers for unexploded ordnance disposal, counter-terrorism and security training. The MOU will allow the two training providers to share security and unexploded ordnance disposal curriculum.

Also under the agreement, graduates of the TEEX UXO Technician I program will be certified through ISSEE and the City & Guilds Institute of London (an international accreditation institute) to work for international companies on any UXO or humanitarian demining site in the world. Previously, TEEX graduates could only work for U.S. and Canadian companies.

TEEX operates the only commercially available UXO Technician course recognized by the U.S. Department of Defense. The first TEEX UXO Technician I course offered as part of the shared training venture will begin Oct. 19, and will include the optional, weeklong International Demining Certification program.

In addition to the International Demining Certification, TEEX is expected to offer additional ISSEE security and explosive courses in the near future.

Please visit www.teex.org/uxo and www.issee.co.uk to learn more about the training programs offered.

About TEEX

TEEX, a member of The Texas A&M University System, offers hands-on, customized first responder training, homeland security exercises, technical assistance and technology transfer services impacting Texas and beyond. TEEX programs include fire and emergency services, homeland security, law enforcement, search and rescue, public works, safety and health, and economic development.

About ISSEE

Located in the United Kingdom, ISSEE offers a wide range of search, security and counter terrorist training. ISSEE provides world-class explosives courses, including Explosives Ordnance Disposal (EOD), Improvised Explosives Device Disposal (IEDD) to international military, police, government and commercial organizations. Many international clients have enjoyed ISSEE's flexible approach in offering customized solutions and expertise for their explosives-related counter-terrorist initiatives.

CONGRATULATIONS TO UXO CLASS #37 GRADUATES

Congratulations to the 37th UXO Technician class. On July 31, 2009, twenty graduates completed the 200 hour course with a class average of 91%. The class Honor Graduate, David Marsh, maintained the top individual grade point average of 98%.

Although not all participants who began the course were able to successfully completed it, those who remained determined and applied themselves are now ready to enter the field in support of NAO C companies working throughout the US. In support of these NAO C member companies, TEEX hosted another career day. This event continues to provide a great service to graduating technicians and has become a valuable resource for each as they enter the industry. A record number of career day companies and participants attended.

TEEX would like to thank those NAO C member company representatives, Martha Freeman (PIKA), Sammie Hawkins (EODT), Mark Bottger, Susan Bottger, Larry Finan, and Dan Garcia (MEC) and a non-member company representatives, Luke Callahan and John Popka (Aero Tech), for taking time to come see us here in College Station, TX.

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Aqua Survey to Hunt Turtle Boats

When most of us think of Korea we think of the TV Show M*A*S*H and images of Hawkeye, Klinger, Hot Lips Houlihan and Radar. Naval historians reflect on Korea's past and undoubtedly think of the heroic leadership of Admiral Yi Sun-sin and his Turtle Boats. Admiral Yi is the most admired person in Korea's history due to the design and strategic use of a few Turtle Boats to battle against what was an overwhelming number of invading Japanese naval vessels. Admiral Yi is the only naval commander to have never been defeated even when he was outnumbered in vessels 130 to 13. His ingenious Turtle Boats changed the course of the Seven Years War with Japan (1592-1599). The Turtle Boat was so-named because of the armored dome which covered the entire deck of the boat and protected the crew from incoming enemy fire. Additionally this "shell" was covered with iron spikes thus impaling any enemy foolish enough to try to jump onboard. Since the Japanese preferred fighting method was to board enemy vessels and engage in hand to hand combat, these iron spikes provided a major advantage. The Turtle Boat was such a successful weapon that it was necessary for only a handful to ever be made. None have ever been found by modern man.



Aqua Survey, Inc. (ASI) has been selected by The Marine Research & Cultural Foundation (MR&CF) of South Korea to attempt to find a sunken Turtle Boat and to recover it so it can be displayed in a museum. Work begins this October 2009. Aqua Survey will extensively research the history of each naval battle (both the Koreans and the Japanese were assiduous journal keepers) and then begin offshore and near shore surveying of the ocean bottom. Probably after four-hundred years the chance of finding a wreck proud of the bottom is unlikely. Differing historical accounts have the vessel's dome being only wood with metal spikes, while others claim that it was in fact the first ironclad vessel. A Turtle Boat had a dozen cannons or more onboard while the typical Japanese ship had less. It's these cannons that we will be utilizing to differentiate the signature of a Turtle Boat from that of others lost at sea. Aqua Survey will utilize a Parametric Sub-Bottom Profiler, Multibeam Sonar, Magnetometer, Gradiometer and Electromagnetic (EM) Detectors to locate vessel wreckage. The use of EM equipment (vessel-towed bottom sled and diver-manuevered sled) should help us to determine the number of cannons present thus determine the probable nationality of the wreck. Once the research and surveying activities are far enough along, Aqua Survey's archeological divers will begin the "dive-out" process and investigate prioritized sites.

Aqua Survey is honored to have been selected by the Foundation. The MR&CF is highly confident they have selected the right company with the right tools to find a Turtle Boat.

Aqua Survey, Inc. was founded in 1975 and has garnered the reputation over the past three decades of being sediment experts. ASI owns and operates over 20 research, surveying and sampling vessels; extensive sediment vibracoring and conventional drilling equipment; a wide range of geophysical surveying instruments and operates a nationally recognized sediment toxicity laboratory in Flemington, NJ.

Submitted by Mr. Ken Hayes, President - Aqua Survey, Inc. 908-788-8700 or hayes@aquasurvey.com

Update — Schonstedt Humanitarian Demining Initiative

In early October, Schonstedt Instrument Company responded to an immediate need on the part of the United Nations for (5) GA-72Cd demining instruments for Gaza. The shipment brings to over 300 the number of Schonstedt locators sent to UN-supported humanitarian demining teams in 19 countries – countries that would not otherwise have access to demining capabilities. The units are donated by Schonstedt and its customers, as well as other groups, associations and individuals, as part of the company's ongoing Humanitarian Demining Initiative. Visit www.findUXO.com for further information.



The Schonstedt GA-52Cx at work in Nepal

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Military Munitions Support Services (M2S2) Workshop 2009

The M2S2 (formerly the Ordnance and Explosives Stand Down) will be held at the University Center, University of Alabama in Huntsville, AL on 15-17 December 2009. The purpose of the M2S2 Workshop is to lessons learned, innovative ideas, best practices, policy/guidance updates and team building efforts to improve the way USACE addresses M2S2 Work.

The program on 16-17 December will be open to all Department of the Army Department of Defense, United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) personnel, invited stakeholders and regulators, and contractors under contract to USACE for M2S2 work.

For planning purposes and due to limited space, names of proposed attendees should be sent to Mr. Bill Veith william.d.veith@usace.army.mil. Contractors are limited to a total of 5 attendees and may check after 20 November 2009 to see if additional spaces are available.

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 Aqua Survey, Inc.
 Arcadis U.S., Inc.
 ARM Geophysics*
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 Bay West, Inc.
 Bering Sea Ecotech, Inc.
 Booz Allen Hamilton
 Cabrera Services
 Cape Environmental Management, Inc.
 CH2M Hill*
 Concurrent Technologies Corporation
 Critical Mission Support Services LLC
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 Earth Resources Technology, Inc. (ERT)
 Earth Tech, Inc.
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 RONCO Consulting Corporation
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 Sky Research, Inc.
 Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX)
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 Tetra Tech EC, Inc.*
 Timberline Environmental Services
 TLI Solutions, Inc.
 Underwater Ordnance Recovery, Inc.
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 USA Environmental, Inc.*
 UXB International, Inc.
 VRHabilis LLC
 Weston Solutions, Inc.
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