



2019 Arkansas Emergency Management Conference

Hot Springs Convention Center, 134 Convention Blvd., Hot Springs, AR



Monday, August 26, 2019		
8:00 AM	Pre-Conference Training	Salon A & B Embassy

Tuesday, August 27, 2019		
8:00 AM	Pre-Conference Training	Salon A & B Embassy
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Vendor Early Setup	Hall - A
4:00 PM	Arkansas Emergency Management Association (AEMA) Board Meeting	TBD

Wednesday, August 28, 2019		
7:00 AM	Exhibitor Setup	Hall - A
8:00 AM	Arkansas Information Officers (Invitation Only)	Horner Hall
10:00 AM	Registration Opens	Convention Lobby
	Exhibit Hall Opens	Hall - A
1:00 PM	Opening Ceremony	Horner Hall
	Posting of the Colors Hot Springs Fire Department	
	National Anthem & Pledge of Allegiance The Lake Hamilton High School Harmonia Choir	
	Invocation Anthony Coy, Northeast Area Coordinator Arkansas Division of Emergency Management (ADEM)	
	Governor Introduction A.J. Gary, Director and State Homeland Security Advisor Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	
	State Welcome The Honorable Asa Hutchinson, Governor of Arkansas	
	Secretary Introduction A.J. Gary, Director and State Homeland Security Advisor Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	
	Cabinet Secretary Welcome Jami Cook, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Public Safety	
	AEMA Welcome & Vendor Introduction Robert McGowen, Administrator of Public Safety, Benton County President, Arkansas Emergency Management Association	
	City of Hot Springs Welcome The Honorable Pat McCabe, Mayor of Hot Springs	
	Garland County Welcome The Honorable Darryl Mahoney, Garland County Judge	
	County Roll Call	
1:45 PM	State of ADEM Address A.J. Gary, Director and State Homeland Security Advisor Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	
2:00 PM	FEMA Update Tony Robinson, Regional Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA Region 6	
2:15 PM	National Weather Service Update Dennis Cavanaugh National Weather Service, Little Rock	



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2:45 PM	Break – Visit our sponsors/exhibitors Sponsored by AEMC	Hall - A
3:15 PM	Levee Under Seepage and Sand Boils Lanny Barfield, Chief of Geotech; Henry Dulaney, Chief of Engineering & Construction United States Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg, MS	Horner Hall
4:00 PM	Substantial Damage, Data Analytics, and Priorities for Mitigation Grants Trey Rozelle, Floodplain Management and Insurance (FM&I) Specialist Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 6	Horner Hall
4:45 PM	Annual AEMA General Membership Meeting	
6:00 PM	Visit our sponsors/exhibitors until 6:00 PM	Hall - A
7:00 PM	Hospitality Opens Sponsor – CTEH LLC, E3 Response Services, Code 3 Visit the City of Hot Springs - Dinner on Your Own	TBD

Thursday, August 30, 2019		
8:00 AM	Registration Open	Convention Lobby
	Exhibit Hall Open	Hall - A
8:15 AM	Morning Announcements	Horner Hall
8:30 AM	Keynote Speaker Jason Jackson, Emergency Management Director Walmart	Horner Hall
9:45 AM	Breakout Sessions	
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	EMAC – The Reimbursement Process Assisting vs Requesting State ADEM Operations Branch Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	Rooms 102-103
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 Dave Lebsack and Nathan Elkins Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 6	Rooms 104-105
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	FirstNet – The Nation’s Public Safety network Jacque Miller-Waring, Field Operations Director; Kelly Gottsponer, FirstNet First Responder Network Authority	Rooms 201-202
9:45 AM - 10:15 AM	ESF – 8 Update Micheal Knox, Branch Chief, Health Preparedness and Emergency Response Arkansas Department of Health	Rooms 203-204
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	ESF – 10 Update Stephen Ratley, Emergency Response Investigator Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality	Rooms 203-204
10:45 AM	Break – Visit our sponsors/exhibitors Sponsored by AEMC	Hall - A
11:00 AM	Breakout Sessions	
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Panel Discussion: Drones in Emergency Management Moderator: Michael Waddle Benton Co OEM Bethany Swindell, Arkansas Tech University; Mike Minnix, Federal Aviation Administration; Andrew McKinney, Unmanned Vehicle Technologies; Chris Fink, Unmanned Vehicle Technologies	Rooms 102-103
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	How to host a Ready Business Workshop Eraina Perrin, Emergency Management Specialist-Private Sector Liaison Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 6	Rooms 104-105



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11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Radiological Emergency Response Richard Breeden Nevada Department of Energy	Rooms 201-202
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	ESF-1 Update Michael Kelly, Staff Maintenance Engineer and EM Liaison Officer Arkansas Department of Transportation	Rooms 203-204
11:25 AM - 11:45 AM	ESF-2 Update Penny Rubow, Arkansas Wireless Information Network Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	Rooms 203-204
11:45 AM	Break – Visit our sponsors/exhibitors	Hall - A
12:00 PM	Lunch Contributor - AEMA	Horner Hall
1:00 PM	Door Prize Drawings	
1:30 PM	Breakout Sessions	
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	EMAC – The Reimbursement Process Assisting vs Requesting State ADEM Operations Branch Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	Rooms 102-103
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1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	ESF – 13 Update Brad Lann, Lieutenant Arkansas State Police	Rooms 203-204
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	ESF – 6 Update Deltrise Hall, State Mass Care Coordinator Arkansas Department of Human Services	Rooms 203-204
2:30 PM	Break – Visit our sponsors/exhibitors Sponsored by AEMC	Hall - A
3:15 PM	Breakout Sessions	
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3:15 PM – 4:15 PM	Current Topics in Arkansas Search and Rescue Robert Shepard and Fred Mullen Arkansas Search and Rescue Association	Rooms 203-204
4:15 PM	Visit our sponsors/exhibitors	Hall - A
5:00 PM	Vendor Hall Closes at 5:00 PM	
6:30 PM	AEMC 2018 Banquet & Awards Ceremony Contributor – To Be Determined	Horner Hall



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8:00 AM	Morning Announcements & Door Prizes	Horner Hall
8:15 AM	Military Support to Emergency Management Colonel Damon Cluck, Director of Military Support Arkansas National Guard	
8:45 AM	Broadcasters = First Informers – The Public’s Lifeline to Information Before, During and After Emergencies Chris Daniel, Arkansas Broadcasters Association	
9:15 AM	Resilient Flood Recovery Whit Montague, State NFIP Coordinator/State Climatologist; Veronica Villalobos-Pogue, Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program Coordinator	
9:45 AM	Break – Sponsored by AEMC	
10:00 AM	Community Preparedness Programs for Youth Gary Ragen, Youth Preparedness Coordinator Arkansas Division of Emergency Management	
10:45 AM	Panel Discussion: 2019 Arkansas River Flooding Moderator: Melody Daniel Tony Hill-USACE; Jeff Gilkey – Yell Co OEM; AJ Gary-ADEM; Johnathan Trafford-Conway Co OEM; LTC Derald Neugebauer-ARNG; Karen Blevins-Jefferson Co OEM; Brad Thomas- Crawford Co OEM	
11:30 AM	Closing Comments & Final Door Prize Drawings	