

2023 Arkansas Emergency Management Conference



August 29 – September 1, 2023

Hot Springs Convention Center
134 Convention Blvd, Hot Springs, AR 71901

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

Attendee Registration opens at 10:00 a.m. in the Plaza Lobby;
Vendor Set-Up opens at 10:00 a.m. in Hall A; Closes 4:00 p.m.

Time	Room	Description	Contact
8:00-9:30	Sal A-B	Intro to WebEOC for Local Emergency Managers	ADEM Operations Branch
10:00-11:30	Sal A-B	Intro to WebEOC for Local Emergency Managers	ADEM Operations Branch
1:30-2:30	Horner	Opening Ceremony	Various – Listed Below
		Posting of the Colors	Hot Springs Fire Dept
		National Anthem & Pledge of Allegiance	First Baptist Hot Springs Ladies Ensemble
		Invocation	John McCallum, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Hot Springs
		ADEM Welcome & Introductions	A.J. Gary, ADEM Director & State Homeland Security Advisor
		Department of Public Safety Welcome	Secretary Mike Hagar, Arkansas Dept. of Public Safety
		AEMA Welcome & Introductions	Robert “Bobby” King, AEMA President
		Garland County Welcome	The Honorable Darryl Mahoney, Garland County Judge
		City of Hot Springs Welcome	The Honorable Pat McCabe, Mayor, City of Hot Springs
2:30-2:45	Horner	State of ADEM Address	A.J. Gary, ADEM Director & State Homeland Security Advisor
2:45-3:15	Horner	FEMA Region 6 Update	Tony Robinson, Regional Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, FEMA Region 6
3:15-3:30		<i>Break</i>	
3:30-4:00	Horner	National Weather Service Update	Dennis Cavanaugh, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Little Rock
4:00-5:00	Horner	AEMA General Membership Annual Meeting	AEMA Members
7:00		Hospitality Opens in the Presidential Suite	CTEH & E3

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Attendee Registration opens at 8:00 a.m. in the Plaza Lobby.
Vendor Hall A opens at 8:00 a.m., closes at 6:00 p.m.

Time	Room	Description	Contact
8:30-8:45	Horner	Announcements & Door Prizes	AEMA Board Members
8:45-9:15	Horner	Arkansas 911 Board Update	C.J. Engel, Executive Director, Arkansas 911 Board
9:15-10:00	Horner	Tools & Technology for Winter Weather Response	Michael Kelly, PE, PS, Maintenance Engineer, ARDOT
10:00-10:30	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
10:30-11:15	Horner	Human Trafficking	Karl J. Flashe, Resident Agent in Charge, Homeland Security Investigations
11:15-11:45	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
11:45-1:30	Horner	Keynote Speaker Luncheon: Turning Boos into Cheers	Walt Coleman, NFL Referee (ret.), Coleman Dairy
1:30-2:00	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
2:00-2:15	Horner	Announcements & Door Prizes	AEMA Board Members

2:15-3:00	Horner	March 31, 2023 Tornado Recovery Panel Discussion	A.J. Gary (Moderator); Jodie Lee, Recovery & Mitigation Deputy Director, ADEM; Roland Jackson, FEMA; Frank Efferce, FEMA
3:00-3:30	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
3:30-4:15	Horner	Weather Drone	Steve Piltz, Meteorologist in Charge, NWS Tulsa
4:15-6:00	Hall A	Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
7:00		Hospitality Opens in the Presidential Suite	CTEH & E3
7:00-10:00	Horner	Casino Night	Motorola Solutions, Arkansas Valley Communications, Arkansas Public Safety Solutions

Thursday, August 31, 2023			
Attendee Registration opens at 8:00 a.m. in the Plaza Lobby. Vendor Hall A opens at 8:00 a.m., closes at 4:00 p.m.			
Time	Room	Description	Contact
8:15-8:30	Horner	Announcements & Door Prizes	AEMA Board Members
8:30-9:30	Horner	The Resiliency Initiative	Faith Newton, The Resiliency Initiative
9:30-10:15	Horner	AWIN Update	Penny Rubow, SWIC, AWIN Program Director, ADEM
10:15-10:45	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
Breakout Session #1 10:45-11:30	102-103	Fire Services Coordinators / Act 833 Update	Louis Eckelhoff, Fire Services/Act 833 Coordinator, ADEM
	104-105	Youth & Community Preparedness: CERT in Local High Schools	Gary Ragen, Individual & Community Preparedness Coordinator, ADEM
	201-202	Arkansas State Fusion Center Update	Tina Williams, AR State Fusion Center Director, ADEM/DPS
	203-204	ADT-Intrado Text Alarm	Thomas Nudo, Account Manager, Intrado
11:30-1:00		Lunch On Your Own / Visit Sponsors	
Breakout Session #2 1:00-1:45	102-103	ARDOT: Landslides - "Unfunded to Repaired"	Paul Tinsley, State Materials Engineer, ARDOT
	104-105	WebEOC for Local Emergency Management	ADEM Operations
	201-202	How to Use Your AWIN Radio	AWIN Operations
	203-204	Establishing an AUXCOMM Team in Your County	J.M. Rowe, Arkansas SHARES/AUXCOMM
Breakout Session #3 1:45-2:30	102-103	EMAC Reimbursement	Jordan Abshire, Operations Branch Manager, ADEM
	104-105	WebEOC for Local Emergency Management	ADEM Operations
	201-202	Cybersecurity & Physical Security Convergence Considerations for Emergency Managers	Glenn Moore & Chad Johnson CISA Region VI U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security
	203-204	Communications & Connection: A Look Into the Co-Response Model for Crisis Intervention	Sgt. Patrick Hanby & Steven Greathouse, Central Dispatch, Fayetteville PD

2:30-3:00	Hall A	Break – Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
Breakout Session #4 3:00-3:45	102-103	Long Term Recovery	Laurie Fried, AEM, Emergency Services Director, & Marie Bjork, ADEM State Voluntary Agency Liaison
	104-105	WebEOC for Local Emergency Management	ADEM Operations
	201-202	Communications Planning for the Eclipse: Actions to Take NOW	AICEC's COMU Working Group
	203-204	Arkansas 211	Christina Hinds, VP of Building Development, Arkansas 211
Breakout Session #5 3:45-4:30	102-103	The Salvation Army	Laurie Fried, AEM, Emergency Disaster Services Director
	104-105	WebEOC for Local Emergency Management	ADEM Operations
	201-202	Strategies for Meeting Animal Care Needs During Disasters	Dr. John Nilz, State Veterinarian, AR Dept. of Agriculture; Mike Wheeler, Cabot Animal Support Services Director; Tim Perciful, American Humane Regional Manager
	203-204	PACE Method to Develop Your Emergency Communications Plans	Travis Johnson, ECC Region VI, CISA
4:30-5:00	Hall A	Last Chance to Visit Our Sponsors	Sponsors
6:00-8:00	Horner	Banquet & Awards	AEMA Board & ADEM Staff
8:00		Hospitality Opens in the Presidential Suite	CTEH & E3

Friday, September 1, 2023

Time	Room	Description	Contact
8:30-8:45	Horner	Announcements & Door Prizes	AEMA Board Members
8:45-9:30	Horner	Arkansas Helicopter Rescue Team	1SG Jonathan R. Watson, Arkansas Army Aviation Support Facility
9:30-10:30	Horner	Eclipse Planning Panel Discussion	Scott Bass, Moderator; Michael Kelly, ARDOT, ESF 1 & 3; Penny Rubow, AWIN, ESF 2; Eric Eckhoff, ADEM, ESF 5; Bo Robertson, Garland County OEM; Capt. Brad Lann, ASP, ESF 13; Shealyn Sowers, ADPHT; Joe Martin, ADH, ESF 8
10:30-10:45	Horner	Announcements & Door Prizes	AEMA Board Members
10:45-11:45	Horner	Lessons Learned During the March 31, 2023 Tornado: Animal Care Focus	Dr. John Nilz, State Veterinarian, AR Dept. of Agriculture; Mike Wheeler, Cabot Animal Support Services Director; Tim Perciful, American Humane Regional Manager
11:45-12:00	Horner	Closing Remarks, Door Prizes, & Dismissal	A.J. Gary, ADEM Director, State Homeland Security Advisor; Brad Thomas, AEMA President, NW Area Coordinator, ADEM

Thank You to Our Special Guests



Secretary Mike Hagar

Arkansas Department of Public Safety

Department of Public Safety Welcome
Tuesday, 8/29, 1:30 p.m.

A.J. Gary

Director, Arkansas Division of Emergency
Management & State Homeland Security Advisor

ADEM Welcome, Opening Ceremony
State of ADEM Address
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All Tournament: Motorola
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- 16 MOTOROLA / ARPSS / AVC
- 17 MOTOROLA / ARPSS / AVC
- 18 RAVE
- 19 DRC EMERGENCY SERVICES
- 20 REGROUP MASS NOTIFICATIONS
- 21 PRO-PAC
- 22 sCOMM
- 23 AIR METHODS / LIFENET AIR
- 24 VOICE PRODUCTS
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- 38 CTC DISASTER RESPONSE
- 39 VFIS
- 40 T-MOBILE
- 41 PRO-MED
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- 44 AR/AG - FIREWISE
- 45 RAPID DEPLOY
- 46 E3 OMI
- 47 SMITH TWO-WAY
- 48 SMITH TWO-WAY
- 49 SMITH TWO-WAY
- 50 INTRADO
- 51 INTRADO
- 52 MIDLAND RADIO
- 53 NWS
- 54 OCV-LLC - AEMA APP
- 55 SLSCO
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- SP3 SIDDONS-MARTIN/EVS - PIERCE
- SP4 USACE
- SP5 PSS-MO

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