

March 15 - 16, 2017

Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel &
Conference Center at Capitol Hill (The Legends)
Prattville, Alabama

State of Alabama Governor's Preparedness Conference

Hosted by the Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Hotel Reservations in Prattville

- To reserve your room at the Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel (The Legends), you may call the hotel directly at (334) 290-1235. Please mention you are with the Governor's Preparedness Conference when you call.
- The standard room rate is \$139.00.
- The *cutoff date for hotel reservations is February 14.*

Mark your calendars for the 2017 Governor's Preparedness Conference to be held March 15 - 16 at the Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center (The Legends) at Capitol Hill in Prattville, Alabama.

The Conference will bring together local, state and federal partners to prepare for the next disaster or emergency, while building a comprehensive network that ensures all understand their key role in the process of managing an emergency.

Enclosed in this registration packet is a full conference agenda. As you can see from the topics listed, much preparation has been put into making sure the conference is relevant for all areas of emergency and disaster preparedness.

Early registration is \$125 through

February 18. After February 18, the registration will be \$150. Cancellations will not be refunded after February 27.

PLEASE NOTE: All registrations must be completed through the Association's online registration system. No paper registrations will be accepted. In addition, as of October 1, 2011, the ACCA Board of Directors voted to require payment before events, so you will be required to pay by credit card or PayPal account. If you are a state agency that cannot pay by credit card, please call Jennifer Datcher at (334) 263-7594.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at (334) 263-7594 or send email to jdatcher@alabamacounties.org.



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Draft Agenda

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Preparedness Conference

- 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Preparedness Conference Registration
- 11 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open
- 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. Strolling Lunch in the Exhibit Hall
- 1:30 p.m., – 5:15 p.m. Opening General Session
- 1:30 p.m.– 2:00 p.m. Welcome
Art Faulkner, Director AEMA
Dr. Joanne E. Hale, Acting Secretary, OIT
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Opening Remarks
Governor Robert Bentley, State of Alabama
- 2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Alabama Emergency Management Agency's 2017 Operational Priorities
Jeff Byard, Executive Operations Officer, AEMA
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Networking Break**
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Governor's Session with Elected Officials
(Elected Officials or Invitation Only)
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Essential Records Disaster Planning & Recovery
Becky Hebert, State & Local Records Coordinator, ADAH
- 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Rebuilding Public Trust after a Cybersecurity Incident
Lieutenant General (Ret) Ronald Burgess, Senior Counsel for National Program,
Cyber Programs and Military Affairs
- 4:30 p.m. -5 p.m. Who's Responsible within State Government for Cybersecurity?
Mason L. Tanaka, Chief Information Security Officer, OIT

5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. No Cost Benefits
Tray Carter, AL State Coordinator, First Responder Task Force

5:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Reception inside the Exhibit Hall**

Thursday March 16, 2017

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Urban Forestry Strike Team

Dale Dickens, Urban Forestry Coordinator, Alabama Forestry Commission

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Special Event Emergency Planning Panel Discussion, Trinity to Grandview Hospital Move

Jim Coker, Director, Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)

Keith Granger, Chief Executive Officer, Grandview Hospital

Larry Patterson, Division Coordinator, AEMA

Sheldon Hutcherson, Disaster Communication Unit Leader, AEMA

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Networking Break**

10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Cyber-threats to Critical Infrastructure for Power Generating Facilities

John Greaves, Corporate Manager for Critical Infrastructure Protection & Corporate Security, Southern Company

11 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Handling & Managing Cybersecurity Incidents at The University of Alabama

J. Ashley Ewing, Chief Information Security Officer, Office of Information Technology at The University of Alabama

12 p.m. – 1 p.m. **Conference Lunch**

Lieutenant General Steven L. Kwast, Commander and President, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base

1 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Networking Break**

1:15 p.m.– 2:15 p.m. Taking the Next Step in School Preparedness

Gregory B. DeJarnett, Education Administrator, ALSDE

Pamela Revels, President, The Alabama Association of School. Resource Officers

- 2:15 p.m.– 2:45 p.m. Alabama Functional & Access Needs in Disasters (FAND)
Graham Sission, FAND Chair
Elana M. Parker-Merriweather, FAND Co-Chair
- 2:45 p.m. – 3 p.m. **Networking Break**
- 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Creating Credibility in Crisis
Joe Calamusa, Program Director, The University of Alabama
- 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. Lessons Learned from Lawrence & Morgan County Water Crisis
Johnny Cantrell, Director, Lawrence County Emergency Management
Eddie Hicks, Director, Morgan County Emergency Management
- 5 p.m. Closing Remarks
Art Faulkner, Director, AEMA
Dr. Joanne E. Hale, Acting Secretary, OIT