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## 2017 AAEM Annual Conference

Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center at  
Capitol Hill • Prattville, Ala.

March 14 - 15, 2017

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## TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017

### 8 a.m. – Noon

Conference Registration  
*Florida Prefunction Area*

### 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Opening General Session  
*Michael Evans, AAEM President, presiding*  
*Salon A*

#### 10 - 10:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

#### 10:15 - 11 a.m.

AEMA Update  
• *Art Faulkner, Director, AEMA*

#### 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Serve Alabama Update  
• *Brooke Mills, Disaster Preparedness and Response Director, Serve Alabama*

### 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Awards Luncheon (Coat and Tie Business Attire)  
*Michael Evans, AAEM President, presiding*  
**Lunch Speaker:** *Pete Conroy, Director of the Environmental Policy Information Center, JSU*  
*Salon B*

- AAEM Certification Awards
- Preparedness Program of the Year Award (Medium County)
- Response Program of the Year Award (Medium County)
- Response Program of the Year Award (Large County)
- Mitigation Program of the Year Award (Large County)
- AAEM Alfred T. Moore Memorial Volunteer Award
- AAEM President's Award
- Pat Neuhauser Spirit of EMA Award

### 12:45 - 5 p.m.

Afternoon General Session (Track A)  
*Jonathan Gaddy, AAEM 1st Vice President, presiding*  
*Salon A*

#### 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

County Presentations

### 2:45 – 3 p.m.

Afternoon Break  
*Florida Prefunction Area*

#### 3 - 3:30 p.m.

Alabama Extension and Disaster Education Agency  
• *Grant Lyons, County Extension Coordinator, Coffee County Extension Office*

#### 3:30 - 5 p.m.

#EvolveNWS  
• *John De Block, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, National Weather Service*

### 12:45 - 5 p.m.

AWR 136 - Essentials of Community Cybersecurity (Track B)  
*Grand Oak*

### 2:45 – 3 p.m.

Afternoon Break  
*Florida Prefunction Area*

### 5 - 5:15 p.m.

Area Caucuses

### 5:15 - 7 p.m.

AAEM Board Meeting and Committee Meetings

### 7 – 9 p.m.

President's Dinner at Alabama Nature Center  
*(Casual Attire)*

Busses will be provided for transportation beginning at 6:30 p.m. **Please do not drive your own vehicle.**

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017**

**7 - 8 a.m.**

Breakfast Buffet

*Salon B*

**7:30 - 8 a.m.**

Morning Devotional

*Chris Newton, AEMA*

*Salon B*

**8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Morning General Session

*Reggie Chitwood, AAEM 2nd Vice President,  
presiding*

*Grand Oak*

**8 - 10 a.m.**

Table Top Exercise

**10 - 10:15 a.m.**

Morning Break

*Florida Prefunction Area*

**10:15 - 11 a.m.**

Table Top Exercise/Hotwash

**11 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Business Session and Induction of New AAEM  
Officers

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## 2016 - 2017 Committee Chairs

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# 2017 STATE OF ALABAMA GOVERNOR'S PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE

*Montgomery Marriott Prattville Hotel & Conference Center*

*Prattville, Alabama • March 15-16, 2017*

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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017

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| 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. | <b>Conference Registration</b><br><i>Florida Prefunction</i>   | 2:45 - 3 p.m. | <b>Networking Break</b>   |
| 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. | <b>Exhibit Hall Open</b><br><i>Salons CDE</i>  | 3 p.m.        | <b>Essential Records Disaster Planning &amp; Recovery</b><br><i>Becky Hebert, State &amp; Local Records Coordinator, ADAH</i>   |
| 12 - 1 p.m.      | <b>Strolling Lunch with Exhibitors</b><br><i>Salons CDE</i>  | 3:30 p.m.     | <b>Rebuilding Public Trust After a Cybersecurity Incident</b><br><i>Lieutenant General (Ret) Ronald Burgess, Senior Counsel for National Program, Cyber Programs and Military Affairs</i> |
| 1:30 - 5 p.m.    | <b>Conference Opening General Session</b><br><i>Salon A</i>  | 4:30 p.m.     | <b>Who's Responsible within State Government for Cybersecurity?</b><br><i>Mason L. Tanaka, Chief Information Security Officer, OIT</i>  |
| 1:30 p.m.        | <b>Welcome</b><br><i>Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr., City of Prattville; Art Faulkner, Director, AEMA and Dr. Joanne E. Hale, Acting Secretary, OIT</i> | 5 p.m.        | <b>No Cost Benefits</b><br><i>Tray Carter, Alabama State Coordinator, First Responder Task Force</i>  |
| 2 p.m.           | <b>Opening Remarks</b><br><i>Governor Robert Bentley, State of Alabama</i>   | 5:15 - 7 p.m. | <b>Reception Inside Exhibit Hall and Conference Drawing (Must be present to win)</b><br><i>Salons CDE</i>   |
| 2:15 p.m.        | <b>Alabama Emergency Management Agency's 2017 Operational Priorities</b><br><i>Jeff Byard, Executive Operations Officer, AEMA</i>                  |               |   |

Dinner on Your Own

## THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017

- 7 - 8 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**  
*Salon Hallway*
- 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Conference Morning General Session**  
*Salon A*
- 8 a.m. **Urban Forestry Strike Team**  
*Dale Dickens, Urban Forestry Coordinator, Alabama Forestry Commission*
- 8:30 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; Michael Gaither, Director of Emergency Services, Grandview Hospital; Greg Silas, 911 Director, City of Birmingham; Larry Patterson, Division Coordinator, AEMA and Sheldon Hutcherson, Disaster Communication Unit Leader, AEMA*
- 9:45 - 10 a.m. **Networking Break**  
*Florida Prefunction*
- 10 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. **Handling & Managing Cybersecurity Incidents at The University of Alabama**  
*J. Ashley Ewing, Chief Information Security Officer, Office of Information Technology, The University of Alabama*
- 12 - 1 p.m. **Conference Lunch**  
*House Majority Leader Rep. Nathaniel Ledbetter, R - Rainsville, Alabama House of Representatives Salon BCDE*
- 1 - 1:15 p.m. **Networking Break**
- 1:15 - 5 p.m. **Conference Closing General Session**  
*Salon A*
- 1:15 p.m. **Taking the Next Step in School Preparedness**  
*Gregory B. DeJarnett, Education Administrator, ALSDE and Pamela Revels, President, The Alabama Association of School Resource Officers*
- 2:15 p.m. **Alabama Functional & Access Needs in Disasters (FAND)**  
*Graham Sission, Chair, FAND and Elana M. Parker-Merriweather, Co-Chair, FAND*
- 2:45 - 3 p.m. **Networking Break**  
*Florida Prefunction*
- 3 p.m. **Creating Credibility in Crisis**  
*Joe Calamusa, Program Director, The University of Alabama*
- 4 p.m. **Lessons Learned from Lawrence & Morgan County Water Crisis**  
*Johnny Cantrell, Director, Lawrence County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) and Eddie Hicks, Director, Morgan County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)*
- 5 p.m. **Closing Remarks**  
*Art Faulkner, Director, AEMA and Dr. Joanne E. Hale, Acting Secretary, OIT*