



2018 Alabama Disaster Preparedness Conference



Presented in partnership by the Alabama Association of Emergency Managers and the Alabama Emergency Management Agency

INVITEES/ATTENDEES:

The 2018 Alabama Disaster Preparedness Conference is a 2 1/2-day educational event open to and designed to benefit individuals who professionally manage emergency situations for any organization.

(Examples: Local Emergency Managers; Law Enforcement Officers; Fire Chiefs; Public Health Officials; emergency professionals working in hospitals, nursing homes, universities, etc.)

DATE/TIME/LOCATION:

June 26 (Beginning at Noon) - June 28 (Ending at 5:00 p.m.)

Hyatt Regency Birmingham - The Wynfrey Hotel

COST:

\$200/person through June 1

\$225/person starting June 2

REGISTRATION:

Online registration is available through the Association of County Commissions of Alabama website. [You may register for the Conference by clicking here.](#)

Note: Registration cancellations will not be refunded after June 1.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

Discounted hotel rooms at The Wynfrey Hotel are available for \$139/night through May 31. [You may reserve your room online by clicking here.](#) Or you may book your room by calling The Wynfrey Hotel at (205) 705-1234 and mentioning the 2018 Alabama Disaster Preparedness Conference.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 26

- Noon - 5 p.m. **Registration**
- 1 - 5 p.m. **GENERAL SESSION**
Wynfrey DE
Jonathan Gaddy, AAEM President, presiding
- 1 p.m. **Welcome**
Frank Brocato, Mayor, City of Hoover
- Announcements**
Jonathan Gaddy, AAEM President
- 1:15 p.m. **Homeland Security Executive Education Seminar**
Center for Homeland Defense & Security
- 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 3 p.m. **Homeland Security Executive Education Seminar**
Center for Homeland Defense & Security
- 5- 7 p.m. **AAEM Board Meeting**
Yorkshire

- John DeBlock, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, Birmingham NWS
- 8:40 a.m. **Weather Psychology of the Public: The Public's Response to the Warning Process**
Dr. Laura Myers, Director & Senior Research Scientist, The University of Alabama
- 9:15 a.m. **Identifying and Addressing Communication Complexities**
Mark Basnigh, Public Affairs Consultant, Argonne Laboratories
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 11 a.m. **Address from the Honorable Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama**
- 11:30 a.m. **FEMA's New Strategic Plan**
Jeff Byard, Office of Response & Recovery
- Noon - 1:30 p.m. **STROLLING LUNCH**
Wynfrey AB
- 1:30 - 5 p.m. **GENERAL SESSION**
Wynfrey DE
Greg Robinson, AEMA External Affairs Director, presiding

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

- 7 - 8 a.m. **BREAKFAST**
Foyer
- 7:30 - 8 a.m. **Morning Devotional**
- 8 a.m. - Noon **GENERAL SESSION**
Wynfrey DE
Greg Robinson, AEMA External Affairs Director, presiding
- 8 a.m. **Panel Discussion: When to Use a Civil Emergency Message**
Jim Coker, EMA Director, Jefferson County
Jeb Hargrove, Chief Information Officer, Alabama EMA
Sharon Tinsley, Executive Director, Alabama Broadcasters Association
Larry Wilkins, Broadcast Engineering, Alabama Broadcasters Association

- 1:30 p.m. **Lessons Learned from the 2016 Tennessee Wildfires**
Patrick C. Sheehan, Director, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency
- 2:15 p.m. **Active Shooter Threat Training**
Chance Corbett, Executive Director, Auburn University Campus Safety & Security
- 3 p.m. **Earthquake Preparedness: How to Target Participation in Critical Seismic Areas**
Brian Blake, Associate Director, Central U.S. Earthquake Consortium
- 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:45 p.m. **State of Alabama EMA**
Brian Hastings, Director, Alabama EMA

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4:15 p.m. **Troy University, NWS and AIDB: Inclusive Emergency Preparedness**
Judy Robertson, Director,
Interpreter Training Program
Robbie Stewart, Director, Tuscaloosa Regional
Center, Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind
Gerald Satterwhite, Meteorological Intern,
Birmingham NWS

5 – 6:30 p.m. **RECEPTION**
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THURSDAY, JUNE 28

7:30– 8 a.m. **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**
Morning Devotional

8 a.m. – Noon **GENERAL SESSION**
Wynfrey DE
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8 a.m. **Coordinating Boats During the Houston Flood**
Richard Coutermarsh, Senior Emergency
Management & Homeland Security Professional,
Galveston County, Texas, Office of Emergency
Management

9 a.m. **Government Emergency Telecommunications Service (GETS)**
Dale Moushon, Priority Telecommunications
Services Regions 4 & 7 Area Representative,
Department of Homeland Security Office of
Emergency Communications

9:30 a.m. **EMP & the Loss of the Electric Grid**
Ed Kiker, High Frontier

10 a.m. **Break**

10:15 a.m. **First Net Update**
Chuck Murph, Region IV Lead, First Responder
Network Authority

10:45 a.m. **CLEM Update**
Chris Newton, Exercise & Training Section
Chief, Alabama EMA

11:15 a.m. **Calhoun County/Jacksonville Tornado Lessons Learned**
Jonathan Gaddy, EMA Director, Calhoun County

Noon – 1:30 p.m. **AWARDS LUNCH**
Riverchase Ballroom
Bob Franklin, AAEM First Vice President,
presiding

Critical Decision-Making & Ethics in Disasters
Robert Mahoney, Retired Agent, FBI

1:30 – 4 p.m. **AAEM Certification Presentations**
CLOSING GENERAL SESSION
Wynfrey DE
Bob Franklin, AAEM First Vice President,
presiding

1:30 p.m. **Vegas Incident**
Brian Scroggins, President, Las Vegas VOAD

2:30 p.m. **Stress Management After an Incident**
Reggie Parker, Licensed Professional
Counselor, Parker Counseling & Consulting

3 p.m. **Break**

3:15 p.m. **ADECA Dam Inventory Update**
Wardell Edwards, Senior GIS Specialist,
ADECA Office of Water Resources

3:40 p.m. **WebEOC User Questions**
Lloyd Kelly, IT System Specialist, Alabama EMA

4 - 5 p.m. **Award Presentations**
BUSINESS SESSION

5:45 - 6:30 p.m. **Load Busses for Fish Fry & Networking Event**

6 - 9 p.m. **FISH FRY & NETWORKING EVENT**
(R.S.V.P. required)
Oak Mountain State Park