



THE ASSOCIATION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCIES

2026 Spring Meeting

April 7, 8, 9 | Embassy Suites by Hilton Atlanta at Centennial Olympic Park | 267 Marietta Street | Atlanta, Georgia

Meeting Agenda

[as of 04/01/26]

*Meeting Wi-Fi Network: Hilton Honors Meeting
Meeting Wi-Fi Promo Code: ATLES*

All times local/Eastern.

Tuesday, April 7

All sessions held in Legacy ABC, First Floor (unless otherwise noted)

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM **Registration** (*Legacy Prefunction AB, First Floor*)

1:00 – 3:00 PM **AAPCA Spring 2026 Air Directors/Board Business Session**
[Board members or their designees]

3:15 – 5:15 PM **Topical Session: What to Expect When You're Expecting a Data Center**
[open to all attendees]

- Cynthia Dorrough, Georgia Environmental Protection Division
- Wasim Khokhar, Shelby County Health Department
- Bob Hodanbosi, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Kim Strong, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Zach Good, Eastern Research Group

5:30 – 7:00 PM **Opening Reception** (*Legacy EF, First Floor*)
[cash bar & hors d'oeuvres; open to all attendees]

Wednesday, April 8

*All sessions held in Legacy ABC (unless otherwise noted), and **open-session, open to all attendees***

7:30 AM **Registration** (*Legacy Prefunction AB, First Floor*)

7:30 – 8:30 AM **Networking Breakfast** (*Legacy DEF, First Floor*)

8:30 – 9:00 AM **Welcome and Opening Remarks – Introduction by Jim Boylan, Georgia Environmental Protection Division and AAPCA President**

- Jeff Cown, Director, Georgia Environmental Protection Division



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- 9:00 – 10:00 AM** **Keynote: Cooperative Federalism in the Southeast and U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation Updates** – *Introduction by Cory Chism, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and AAPCA Vice President*
- Kevin McOmber, Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA Region 4
 - Aaron Szabo, Assistant Administrator, U.S. EPA Office of Air and Radiation
- 10:00 – 10:30 AM** **Networking Break**
- 10:30 – 11:30 AM** **U.S. EPA NAAQS, SIP, and Permitting Updates** – *Moderated by Ryan Bares, Utah Division of Air Quality*
- Patrick Lessard, Air Quality Planning Division, Office of State Air Partnerships, U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation
 - Paul Almodovar, Permitting & Program Support Division, Office of State Air Partnerships, U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM** **U.S. EPA Air Quality Monitoring, Modeling, and Other Technical Updates** – *Moderated by Arlys Dalton, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality*
- Karen Wesson, Air Quality Assessment Division, Office of State Air Partnerships, U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation
- 12:30 – 1:30 PM** **Networking Lunch** (*Legacy DEF, First Floor*)
- 1:30 – 2:30 PM** **Clean Air Act Legal Updates** – *Moderated by Beryl Thatcher, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality*
- Mack McGuffey, Troutman Pepper Locke
 - Melissa Horne, Troutman Pepper Locke
- 2:30 – 3:00 PM** **Atmospheric Science and Chemistry Measurement Network (ASCENT)** – *Moderated by Hether Krause, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and AAPCA Secretary-Treasurer*
- Nga Lee (Sally) Ng, California Institute of Technology
- 3:00 – 3:30 PM** **U.S. EPA Monitoring Quality Assurance Updates** – *Moderated by DeAnna Oser, Georgia Environmental Protection Division*
- Corey Mocka, Air Monitoring Technology Branch, Air Quality Assessment Division, Office of State Air Partnerships, U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation
- 3:30 – 4:00 PM** **Networking Break**
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM** **Air Toxics and Emerging Compounds Updates** – *Moderated by Rhonda Thompson, South Carolina Department of Environmental Services*



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- Jim Boylan, Georgia Environmental Protection Division
- Mike Egnor, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection

Dinner on your own.

Thursday, April 9

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7:30 – 8:30 AM

Committee Breakout Breakfast (*Legacy DEF, First Floor*)

Tables are labeled with each of AAPCA's 12 committees – AAPCA members and governmental attendees are encouraged to sit with a committee of interest.

8:30 – 9:30 AM

U.S. EPA Regional Round-up – Moderated by *Laura Crowder, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection and AAPCA Past President*

- Michael Dunn, Air & Radiation Division, U.S. EPA Region 3
- Denisse Diaz, Air & Radiation Division, U.S. EPA Region 4
- James McDonald, Air & Radiation Division, U.S. EPA Region 6

9:30 – 10:00 AM

U.S. EPA Unified Platform Updates – Moderated by *Carrie Schroeder, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality*

- Ketan Patel, Information Management Division, Office of State Air Partnerships, U.S. EPA Office of Air & Radiation

10:00 – 11:00 AM

Air Curtain Incinerators – Moderated by *Hastings Read, Florida Department of Environmental Protection*

- Taylor Hartsfield, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

11:00 AM

Lunch (*Legacy DEF, First Floor*)

[grab-and-go sandwiches available]