



**2024 NEMA Mid-Year Forum  
March 17 – 21, 2024  
Capital Hilton Hotel - Washington, DC**

*Celebrating NEMA's 50 Years of Policy Leadership: United in Resilience*

**Agenda**

**Sunday, March 17**

<b>9 am - 4 pm</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Continental</b>
<b>10 - 11:30 am</b>	<b>Legal Counsel Committee</b>	<b>Federal</b>
<b>11:30 am - 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Buffet Luncheon</b>	<b>Senate &amp; Congressional</b>
<b>1-3 pm</b>	<b>NEMA Board of Directors</b>	<b>South America</b>
<b>3:30 - 5:30 pm</b>	<b>State Director Executive Session (closed)</b>	<b>Federal</b>
<b>4:30 - 8:30 pm</b>	<b>Exhibitor Set-up</b>	<b>Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby</b>
<b>6 - 7 pm</b>	<b>New State Director Welcome Reception (by invitation)</b>	<b>North Gate, Lobby Level</b>

**Monday, March 18**

<b>7 am - 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Registration &amp; Exhibits</b>	<b>Continental</b>
<b>7:30 - 8:45 am</b>	<b>NEMA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Kick-off Breakfast</b> <i>Program begins at 8 am. Please be seated at this time.</i>	<b>Senate &amp; Congressional</b>
<b>9 - 11:45 am</b>	<b>General Session</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>9 - 9:15 am</b>	<b>Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call to Order and Welcome</li> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance</li> <li>• Roll Call of the States</li> </ul>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>9:15 - 9:25 am</b>	<b>Hon. Alejandro N. Mayorkas</b> <b>Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland Security</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>9:30 - 10 am</b>	<b>NEMA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angee Morgan, Deputy Director, Kansas Division of Emergency Management</li> </ul> <b>NEMA Anniversary/Diamond Sponsor Recognitions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sponsor/Longest Serving Private Sector Member – IEM</li> <li>• Diamond Sponsors – Deloitte; Indelible; KPMG</li> </ul>	
<b>10 - 10:30 am</b>	<b>Hon. Deanne Criswell</b> <b>Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>

<b>10:30 - 10:50 am</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby</b>
<b>11 - 11:30 am</b>	<b>David Turk</b> <b>Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>11:30 - 11:45 am</b>	<b>NEMA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition</b> by Stan McKinney, NEMA Past President <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe Myers, Founder and Executive Vice President, DSI; NEMA Past President</li> <li>• In Memoriam</li> </ul>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>11:30 am - 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Buffet Luncheon</b>	<b>Senate &amp; Congressional</b>
<b>1:15 - 2:15 pm</b>	<b>EMAC Committee</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>2:15 - 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Sponsors &amp; Snacks</b> <i>Enjoy snacks while networking with each other and NEMA's sponsors to learn how they can support your mission.</i>	<b>Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby</b>
<b>2:30 - 4 pm</b>	<b>Workshop: Building Energy Resilience</b>	<b>Federal</b>
Moderator:	Martha Duggan, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association	
Speakers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manuel Laboy, Executive Director, Puerto Rico Central Office of Recovery, Reconstruction and Resilience</li> <li>• Shay Bahramarid, Senior Vice President of T&amp;D, Strategy and Sustainability, LUMA</li> <li>• Ben Bolton, Senior Energy Programs Administrator, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation</li> <li>• Tom Hughes, Director, Emergency Management Mitigation, Insurance and Resilient Communities Office, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; Lead, NEMA SHMO Subcommittee</li> </ul>	
<b>6 - 7:30 pm</b>	<b>NEMA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala</b> <i>Cocktail Attire</i>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b><u>Tuesday, March 19</u></b>		
<b>7:30 - 8:30 am</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>	<b>Senate &amp; Congressional</b>
<b>7:30 am - 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Registration &amp; Exhibits</b>	<b>Continental</b>
<b>8:30 - 10 am</b>	<b>Homeland Security Committee</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
<b>10 - 10:30 am</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby</b>
<b>10:30 - 11:45 am</b>	<b>The Intersection between Mitigation and Resilience</b>	<b>Presidential Ballroom</b>
	<i>The intersection between mitigation, resilience, sustainability, and recovery forms a comprehensive approach to addressing the impacts of disasters. Various agencies and disciplines work in these spaces but are we speaking the same language? This conversation examines creating a holistic framework that promotes sustainability and community well-being.</i>	
Moderator:	Erin Sutton, Senior Principal, McChrystal Group	
Panelists:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jainey Bavishi, Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Deputy Administrator, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration</li> <li>• Victoria Salinas, Associate Administrator for Resilience, Federal Emergency Management Agency</li> <li>• Casey Tingle, former director, Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness</li> </ul>	

11:30 am - 1 pm	<b>Buffet Luncheon</b> Guest Speaker: Rep. Jared Moskowitz (D-FL)	Senate & Congressional
1:15 - 2:45 pm	<b>Legislative Committee</b> Guest Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rep. Garrett Graves (R-LA)</li> <li>• Rep. Rick Larsen (D-WA)</li> </ul>	Presidential Ballroom
2:30 - 3 pm	<b>Sponsors &amp; Snacks</b>	Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby
3 - 4:30 pm	<b>Resilience Committee</b>	Presidential Ballroom
5:30 - 6:30 pm	<b>Sponsors &amp; Spirits Reception</b> <i>Join us as we celebrate our generous sponsors with informal networking time.</i>	Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby
6 - 7:30 pm	Past Presidents Committee	Offsite
7 pm	Exhibits Tear-Down	Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby
<b><u>Wednesday, March 20</u></b>		
7:30 - 8:30 am	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>	Senate & Congressional
7:30 am - 1 pm	<b>Registration</b>	Continental
8 - 9:30 am	<b>Diversity and Equity Committee</b>	Presidential Ballroom
9:45 - 10:30 am	<b>Disaster Lessons Learned from the Maui Wildfire</b> Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• James Barros, Administrator, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency</li> <li>• James Joseph, Chief of Staff, Tidal Basin Group</li> </ul>	Presidential Ballroom
10:30 - 10:45 am	<b>Break</b>	Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby
10:45 am - 12:15 pm	<b>Response and Recovery Committee</b>	Presidential Ballroom
11:30 am - 1:30 pm	<b>Buffet Lunch</b>	Senate & Congressional
1:30 - 2:30 pm	<b>Private Sector Committee</b>	Presidential Ballroom
2:45 - 3:15 pm	<b>NEMA Business Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voting on Committee Position Papers</li> <li>• Reports by Officers</li> </ul>	Presidential Ballroom
3:15 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	
3:30 - 4 pm	State Director Action Meeting (closed)	Pan American
5 – 6 pm	NEMA 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Networking (closed, casual) <i>For State Directors</i>	Statler Lounge, Lobby Level

**Thursday, March 21**

**7 - 8:30 am**

**Continental Breakfast**

**Capital Terrace, Upper Lobby**

8 am

Bus departs hotel for Capitol Hill  
*For State Directors and Staff Only*

8:30 am - 5 pm

State Director Capitol Hill Visits

Capitol Hill

**10 - 11:30 am**

**Emergency Management Capitol Hill Briefing**

*Hosted by NEMA, and joined by IAEM and BCEM, this briefing is open to the public. Join us to hear about the emergency management community's current legislative priorities.*

**Senate Dirksen Bldg.**

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5:30 - 7:30 pm

State Director Executive Session (closed)

South American