

Request for Administrator to attend HMEP Grant Conference

Conference Information

Conference Dates: August 22 – 25, 2022

Conference Location: Tysons, Virginia

Agenda Topics, may include: HMEP grant update, financial management, leveraging grant funding, prioritizing sub-recipients, fast facts on lithium-ion batteries, roundtable discussions, legal issues and regulations for SERCs/TERCs, one on one meeting with HMEP Grant Specialist

Cost Information

“Conference attendees are encouraged to spend HMEP grant funds to attend the Conference”, email received from HMEP Grant Specialist.

Lodging =	\$1,118.00
Meals =	\$ 474.00
Air Fare =	\$ 731.00
Vehicle =	\$ 69.00
Parking =	<u>\$ 60.00</u>
	\$2,452.00

In closing

Upon return, the Administrator will prepare a synopsis of the Conference; focusing specifically on how the SERC can further assist the LEPCs with utilizing the HMEP grant funds.



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A Message from PHMSA's Office of Hazardous Materials Associate Administrator

Grantees:

I am pleased to invite you to register for PHMSA's 2022 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Conference. The Office of Hazardous Material Safety (OHMS) would like to thank you for your continued support of our grant program and dedicated accomplishments through the work that you contribute to our program.

Please take a moment to register for the conference and reserve your hotel room. The conference dates are fast approaching, and we encourage you to save your seat today. Please find the details below and we look forward to your attendance.

Conference Dates: August 22-25, 2022 ([The 22nd is a travel day for attendees.](#))

Location: Hyatt Regency Tysons Corner Virginia

7901 Tysons One Place
Tysons, VA 22102

Tentative Agenda Topics:

- Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant update
- HMEP grant financial management
- Leveraging HMEP grant funding
- Prioritizing HMEP sub-recipients
- Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG) updates
- Fast facts on lithium-ion batteries
- Augmented reality and mobile app demonstration
- National Fire Academy (NFA) hazmat awareness and operations training modules demonstration
- Hazmat emergency response roundtable discussion
- Update on legal issues and regulations for SERCs/TERCs
- SERC survey



Hazardous Materials Grants Conference Day 1

August 23, 2022

General Sessions

- Aaron Mitchell, Director
- Bill Schoonover, Associate Administrator
- Keynote speaker: Tristan Brown, Deputy Administrator
- Grantee introductions
- Icebreaker
- Conference roadmap

8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Breakout Sessions

- Fast facts on lithium-ion batteries (George Kerchner)
- Augmented reality and mobile app demo (Erica Bernstein)
- Leveraging HMEP grant funding (Utah HMEP Grantee)
- SERC survey (Sicy Jacobs)
- HMEP grant update (PHMSA)
- Financial management track (PHMSA)

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Breaks

- Morning break
- Lunch
- Afternoon break

10:45 am – 11:00 am

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm



Hazardous Materials Grants Conference Day 2

August 24, 2022

General Sessions

- Icebreaker
- Recap first day
- Bill Quade, Deputy Associate Administrator
- Roundtable discussion (Greg Knoll)
- Outreach and engagement (PHMSA Community Liaisons)

8:30 am – 11:00 am

Breakout Sessions

- LMS awareness and operations modules (HAMMER)
- Prioritizing HMEP sub-recipients (Texas HMEP Grantee)
- HMEP tribes (Ruby Dawn)
- Styrene monomer runaway case study (Joe Taylor)
- Update on legal issues and regulations for SERCs/TERCs (Tim Gablehouse)

11:00 am – 4:30 pm

Breaks

- Morning break
- Lunch
- Afternoon break

10:00 am – 10:15 am

11:45 am – 1:00 pm

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm



Hazardous Materials Grants Conference Day 3

August 25, 2022

General Sessions

- Icebreaker
- Recap second day
- Closing remarks

8:30 am – 9:30 am

Breakout Sessions

- Tribal working group
- Territories working group
- TRANSCAER demonstration
- Grantee one-on-ones

9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Breaks

- Lunch

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm