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2025 SWANA FL Winter Conference February 23-25 | Gainesville

Hilton University of Florida Conference Center



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Preliminary Schedule of Events *(updated 1/17/25)*

Sunday, February 23, 2025

Time	Location	Function
12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Registration Desk Open
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Dogwood	Board of Directors Meeting <i>All members welcome</i>
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Welcome Reception

Monday, February 24, 2025

Time	Location	Function	Speaker
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Registration Desk Open	
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Century B/C	Breakfast	
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Century A	Florida's Demographic Trends Capacity of Florida's Infrastructure for Resource Recovery and Solid Waste Management The Evolution of the City of Gainesville's Zero Waste Ordinance	<i>Richard Doty, BEBR</i> <i>Hannah Sackles, University of Florida</i> <i>Tom Strickland, City of Gainesville</i>
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Morning Networking Break	

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Century A	Polk County North Central Landfill Constructed Wetlands Leachate Treatment System What Does the Recent Designation of PFAS as CERCLA Hazardous Substances Mean for Landfills in Florida? Challenges in Water Management Solutions in the Lee-Hendry County Regional Solid Waste Disposal Facility	<i>Dale Henderson, Polk County Solid Waste Division</i> <i>Nicole Robey, Innovative Technical Solutions</i> <i>Juan Villalobos and Felipe Franco, Black and Veatch</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Century B/C	Lunch	
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Century A	300 Million and Counting: What We Can Learn from Keeping Pace with Tire Waste The Perils of Underestimating Cart Management Cost and Complexity Financial Planning for Collection In-housing	<i>Stratton Kirton, Liberty Tire Recycling</i> <i>David Piejak, National Cart Services</i> <i>Terry Schweitzer, City of Cape Coral and Sarah Neely, Raftelis</i>
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Afternoon Networking Break	
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Century A	Technical Division Roundtables Collection and Transfer Planning and Management Recycling & Special Waste Landfill Management Landfill Gas & Biogas Waste to Energy	
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Off Property	Open House at the Sustainable Materials Management Research Lab and Headquarters of Hinkley Center	
<i>Enjoy Dinner on Your Own</i>			

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Time	Location	Function	Speaker
7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Registration Desk Open	
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Century B/C	Breakfast	
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Century A	<p>The Latest and Greatest on Landfill Science from the Hinkley Center</p> <p>PFAS and Landfill Leachate: Treatment Challenges and Opportunities</p> <p>Black Goo and Florida Landfills: What Is It and What Do We Do About It?</p> <p>The Latest and Greatest on Surface Emissions Monitoring for Methane at Landfills</p> <p>From Bioreactors to Elevated Temperature Landfills: How Warm Should Florida Landfills Get and How Do We Control?</p>	<p><i>Dr. Yudi Wu, Assistant Professor, Florida Polytechnic University</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Yalan Liu, Assistant Professor, Florida Atlantic University</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Tarek Abichou, Professor, Florida State University</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Debra Reinhart, Professor Emeritus, University of Central Florida</i></p>
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Morning Networking Break	
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Century A	<p>Sustainability Assessments of Waste Management Strategies</p> <p>Planning for the Next Generation of Solid Waste Industry Leaders through Internships</p> <p>Managing Concrete Assets</p>	<p><i>Chris Gabel, CDM Smith</i></p> <p><i>Shelby Lewis and Edgar Castro Tello, City of Tampa and Austin Smith, City of Gainesville</i></p> <p><i>Andres Alfonso, Structural Group</i></p>
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Century B/C	Lunch	
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Century A	<p>Lessons Learned from Recent WTE Design Build Projects</p> <p>US EPA’s Revised Air Emissions Limits for New Large Municipal Waste Combustors</p> <p>Program Update from FDEP</p> <p>2025 Florida Legislative Session Preview</p>	<p><i>Justin Roessler, Roessler and Associates and Jason Gorrie, JMG Engineering</i></p> <p><i>John McBurney, Kanadevia-Inova</i></p> <p><i>El Kromhout, Florida Department of Environmental Protection</i></p> <p><i>Willie Puz, Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County</i></p>