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2025 SWANA FL Winter Conference February 23-25 | Gainesville

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Preliminary Schedule of Events *(updated 2/18/25)*

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 <i>Please use orange drink tickets tonight.</i> Sponsored by Reworld Waste

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	Opening Remarks & Educational Sessions 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>Moderator: Rebecca Rodriguez, Lee County</i> <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	<p>Educational Sessions</p> <p>Polk County North Central Landfill Constructed Wetlands Leachate Treatment System</p> <p>What Does the Recent Designation of PFAS as CERCLA Hazardous Substances Mean for Landfills in Florida?</p> <p>Challenges in Water Management Solutions in the Lee-Hendry County Regional Solid Waste Disposal Facility</p>	<p><i>Moderator: Gene Ginn, City of Lakeland</i></p> <p><i>Dale Henderson, Polk County Solid Waste Division and Dreyton Lott, University of Florida</i></p> <p><i>Nicole Robey, Innovative Technical Solutions</i></p> <p><i>Juan Villalobos and Felipe Franco, Black and Veatch, and Rebecca Rodriguez, Lee County</i></p>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Century B/C	Lunch	
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Century A	<p>Educational Sessions</p> <p>300 Million and Counting: What We Can Learn from Keeping Pace with Tire Waste</p> <p>The Perils of Underestimating Cart Management Cost and Complexity</p> <p>Financial Planning for Collection In-housing</p>	<p><i>Moderator: Joel Woolsey, New River Solid Waste Association</i></p> <p><i>Stratton Kirton, Liberty Tire Recycling</i></p> <p><i>David Piejak, National Cart Services</i></p> <p><i>Terry Schweitzer, City of Cape Coral and Sarah Neely, Raftelis</i></p>
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Century Ballroom Foyer	Afternoon Networking Break	
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Century B/C	<p>Technical Division Roundtables</p> <p>Collection and Transfer</p> <p>Planning and Management</p> <p>Recycling & Special Waste</p> <p>Landfill Management</p> <p>Landfill Gas & Biogas</p> <p>Waste to Energy</p>	<p><i>Gene Ginn, City of Lakeland and Robert Midgett, Lee County</i></p> <p><i>Thierry Boveri and Sarah Neely, Raftelis</i></p> <p><i>Allison Trulock, NewGen Strategies & Solutions and Shelby Lewis, City of Tampa</i></p> <p><i>Brent Ross, Integrity Environmental Solutions</i></p> <p><i>Stephanie Liptak and Stephen Townsend, SCS Engineers</i></p> <p><i>Josh Miller, HDR and Wei Liu, CDM Smith</i></p>

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Off Property	<p>Open House at the Sustainable Materials Management Research Lab and Headquarters of Hinkley Center</p> <p><i>Due to limited parking at the facility, a continuous shuttle has been arranged for our group. It will pick up at the hotel entrance with the awning located near the lobby. If you're interested in walking, a map has been provided in the Documents section of the conference app.</i></p> <p><i>Please use blue drink tickets tonight.</i></p> <p>Sponsored by Jones Edmunds</p>
<p><i>Enjoy Dinner on Your Own</i></p>		

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Time	Location	Function	Speaker
7:30 a.m. – 3:30 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>Moderator: Dr. Dan Meeroff, Florida Atlantic University</i></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>Educational Sessions</p> <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>Moderator: Caleb Gonzalez, Lee County</i></p> <p><i>Chris Campbell, 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	

<p>1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Century A</p>	<p>Educational Sessions</p> <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>Moderator: Josh Miller, HDR</i></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>
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