

Monday, March 11, 2024  
**Planning the Route**

<b>3-6 p.m.</b>	<p><b>NSC Strategy Session</b>  <b>Conference Center rotunda (also meeting point for networking dinner)</b>            Group strategy discussion to identify program successes (i.e., what is working), opportunities for improvement (i.e., what isn't working), and steps that can/should be taken to enhance the national program and accomplish the program's goals for the next two years. Discussion will include developing an outreach and government/promotional affairs strategy in relation to National Advocacy Committee.</p>
<b>6-8 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Welcome Networking Dinner</b>  <b>Location TBD</b>  <i>Cost of dinner not provided</i></p>

Tuesday, March 12, 2024  
**Laying down the Track**

<b>7:30-8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>
<b>8:30-9 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Annual Training Overview</b>  <i>Donovan Grimwood (TN), NSC Chair and TN Host</i>  <i>Crystal Warren (TN), Annual Training Chair and TN Host</i>  <i>Chris Lynch (NV), NSC Vice-Chair</i></p>
<b>9-9:15 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Welcome to Tennessee</b>  <i>TDEC Commissioner David Salyers</i></p>
<b>9:15-10 a.m.</b>	<p><b>In the Roundhouse: Updates from EPA</b>            Behind the Scenes with the EPA ASBO + Updates; OAQPS Updates  <i>Paula Hoag, EPA Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization</i>  <i>Rhonda Wright, EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards</i></p>
<b>10-10:20 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:20-11:15 a.m.</b>	<p><b>EPA Enforcement Policy &amp; EPA Small Business Compliance Policy</b>            Focus on EPA Enforcement Policy, Self-Disclosure and Small Business Compliance Policy  <i>Paula Hoag and OECA</i></p>
<b>11:15 a.m.-Noon</b>	<p><b>States' Compliance Initiative and Self-Disclosure Policy</b>            Following EPA's talk on federal policies, several states will describe policies on the same topics. Discussion will include successes and opportunities for improvement, is state policy different than federal policy? Is there an option for regulatory relief?  <i>Lisa Ashenbrenner-Hunt (WI), others</i></p>
<b>Noon-1:15 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Lunch</b>            Local Air Program, History of Chattanooga Air</p>

<b>1:15-2:30 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Laying Down the Tracks: Regional to Local Spurs</b>  From EPA regional initiatives to local EJ issues, this panel presentation will showcase how federal, state, and local initiatives are addressing EJ concerns.  <i>Dr. Ronné Adkins, TN Department of Environment and Conservation</i>  <i>Dr. Robert Wingfield, Fisk University</i>  <i>Dr. Chunrong Jia, REACT4EJ</i>  Brownfields representative  <i>Lisa Ashenbrenner-Hunt (WI), moderator</i></p>
<b>2:30-3:15 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Open discussion: Where do State SBEAPs fit it with EJ?</b>  What have been our successes? What are the questions we still have? Where can we best provide assistance to small businesses in EJ communities? Should we still use the term EJ?  <i>Lisa Ashenbrenner-Hunt (WI) and Donovan Grimwood (TN), facilitators</i></p>
<b>3:15-3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:30-4:30 p.m.</b>	<p><b>SBEAP Jeopardy: Learning the ins and outs of the program</b>  Trivia and information about the SBEAP, history and current.  <i>Belinda Breidenbach (ID), Lee Ann Briggs (PA)</i></p>
<b>4:30-5 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Skill demo</b>  Fencing or yoga</p>
<b>6-8 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Networking at Chattanooga Distillery</b>  Overview of TN Sustainable Spirits Initiative, small business tour and State Gift Exchange. Hors d'oeuvres planned; dinner not provided.  <i>Caleb Powell, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation</i>  Distillery staff  <i>Donovan Grimwood (TN), Belinda Breidenbach (ID), Lee Ann Briggs (PA)</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, March 13, 2024  <b>Building up Steam</b></p>	
<b>7:30-8:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>
<b>8:15-8:30 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Recap of Tuesday</b>  What resonated with you?  <i>Crystal Warren (TN)</i></p>
<b>8:30-9:30 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Leveraging AI tools for small business assistance and outreach</b>  <i>Jeremy Hancher (PA)</i></p>
<b>9:30-10 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Website update</b>  What's new, what are the plans, and what is coming  <i>Kansas State University team</i></p>
<b>10-10:20 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:20-11:15 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Tennessee Valley Authority's transition to solar</b>  <i>TVA speaker</i></p>
<b>11:15 a.m.-Noon</b>	<p><b>National Compliance Assistance Centers</b>  Who they are, what they do, and how we can collaborate  <i>George Cushnie, CAI Resources, Inc.</i></p>
<b>Noon-1:15 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Lunch and SBEAP/SBO National Awards</b>  <i>Donovan Grimwood (TN)</i></p>

1:15-2 p.m.	<b>PFAS and AERR Updates</b> <i>Michael Liebert, All4, Inc.</i>
2-2:30 p.m.	<b>Grant Writing Obstacles</b> From paperwork to leadership buy-in, how to recognize and overcome obstacles in the way of funding your project <i>Education Subcommittee</i>
2:30-2:50 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
2:50-3:30 p.m.	<b>Full Steam Ahead: Rapid Fire Tech Talks</b> 6H Updates <i>Tony Pendola (NC)</i> Solvent Alternative Testing <i>Mary Baker (KS)</i> Clean Lighting Standards; Building Efficiency & Air Compliance at Hospitals and Schools <i>Jarrett Vigil (CO)</i> Food Waste Reduction Project; Air Curtains for Wildfire Response and Mitigation Support <i>Jesse Walters (CO)</i>
3:30-4 p.m.	<b>Storytelling for Grant Seekers</b> How to tell your story so you get the grant <i>Belinda Breidenbach (ID)</i>
4-4:30 p.m.	<b>Skill demo</b> Fencing or yoga
4:30 p.m.	<b>Adjourn and enjoy Chattanooga</b>
<b>Thursday, March 14, 2024</b> <b>Going off the Rails</b>	
7:30-8:15 a.m.	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:15-8:30 a.m.	<b>Recap of Wednesday</b> What resonated with you? <i>Crystal Warren (TN)</i>
8:30-9 a.m.	<b>Why what we do is important</b> Sharing of success stories and feedback from clients or a recap of Gabe's presentation
9-9:30 a.m.	<b>Developing an SOP</b> How to build a legacy and keep the SBEAP in your state
9:30-10 a.m.	<b>Promotional Session</b>
10-11 a.m.	<b>Ask the G.O.A.T.</b> Open forum for questions to share program successes, failures, and challenges so attendees can immediately implement or improve upon other programs' efforts. <i>Jennifer Feyerherm (WI), moderator</i>

<b>11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch</b> Why are the Smokies so... Smokey? <i>NWS or GSMP speaker</i>
<b>1-1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>End of conference room session</b>
<b>1:30-4 p.m.</b>	<b>Potential Brownfields Tour</b>

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