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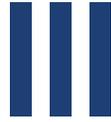
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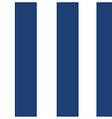
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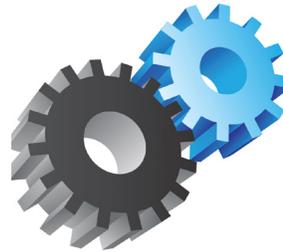
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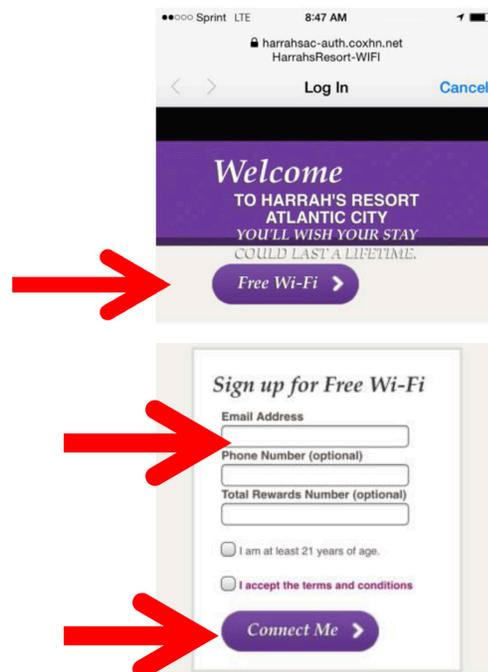
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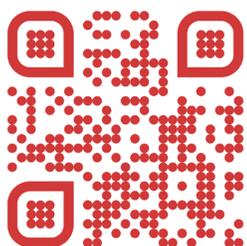
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## WELCOME

It has been a rough road for many over the last two plus years and because of that it means even more to welcome you to the 2022 New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Conference.

It is great to be back to our weeklong Spring schedule and I hope you will take advantage of the numerous trainings and breakouts that are available. In addition, we again have the large vehicle exhibit set-up in the parking area outside of the Conference Center and a special presentation on Friday, recapping the active shooter event on December 10, 2019, in Jersey City.

I would like to thank the thousands of first responders and essential workers that helped us throughout the pandemic and continue to do so. And a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers that help pull this Conference together every year!

Our hope is that this Conference meets both your personal and professional expectations and that we will see you again next year. Stay safe and be well!

**Pat MacFarland Goelz**  
President



## HISTORY OF NJEPA



The New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Conference had its humble beginnings as a “grass roots” organization. It started as a conversation at Atlantic County OEM looking for a way to provide higher level training and experiences to local emergency managers. County and State personnel had the opportunity, back then, to attend state, regional and national conferences and the Atlantic County and South Region OEM teams were brain storming ways to bring this kind of information to local EMCs and their teams at no cost. With the tremendous support of the Tropicana Casino Resort and Verizon the Atlantic County Hurricane Seminar was born.

This first effort presented eight speakers on various topics related to coastal preparedness issues for hurricanes. The one day seminar was well received by the approximately 200 people in attendance and they requested expanding the program for the following year. In 2000 we expanded to a 2 day seminar adding a larger program of speakers which required us to recruit more sponsors to fund the popular program which was presented at no charge to attendees. Expanding the conference would present a number of challenges including increased participation by our host the Tropicana Hotel Casino and the Atlantic County OEM, NJ State Police OEM, sponsors Verizon, State Farm and those behind the scenes people that made the simple seminar a huge success. Several of the local, county, and state emergency management officials had attended the very popular National Hurricane Conference for many years. A small group of them wanted to try and create a conference similar but unlike our friends at the NHC.

The 2001 NJ Hurricane Preparedness Conference would be different. It would feature 18 one hour break-out sessions, 2 continental breakfast, 2 sponsored lunches, and an exhibit area for 2 days with 32 exhibitors. This was a logistical and financial nightmare tackled by a handful of very dedicated emergency preparedness professionals. Due to unwavering dedication of a select group of people using creative and out of the box solutions the nearly \$60,000 conference came off very successfully with over 600 attendees. At the after conference meeting the small group decided that we needed to invest the time and effort to continue our successes by forming the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Association. This required a strong commitment and backing of our sponsors and partners who were behind us all the way and one current event in world history would be the rocket fuel to the creation of the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Association and the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Conference. That date: September 11, 2001.

The conference continues today 24 years later at our new home the Harrah’s Waterfront Conference Center; tens of thousands of attendees and thousands of sponsors have made this program the success that it is.



# SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

**TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON PRESENTER AVAILABILITY.  
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## MONDAY, MAY 2ND

0700-1630 Registration Open  
0730-0830 Morning Coffee  
0800-1200 Training Sessions  
1000-1100 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1200-1300 Meal Break\*\*  
1300-1700 Training Sessions  
1400-1500 Refreshment Break\*\*

## TUESDAY, MAY 3RD

0700-1630 Registration Open  
0730-0830 Morning Coffee  
0800-1200 Training Sessions  
1000-1100 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1200-1300 Meal Break\*\*  
1300-1700 Training Sessions  
1300-1700 Young Professionals Event\*  
1400-1500 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1730-2000 Awards & Networking Reception\*

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH

0700-1630 Registration Open  
0730-0900 Morning Coffee  
0800-1200 Training & Breakout Sessions  
1000-1100 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1100-1430 Exhibit Hall Open  
1200-1300 Meal Break\*\*  
Visit the Exhibits  
1300-1700 Training & Breakout Sessions  
1400-1500 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1630-1900 Exhibit Hall Open  
Vendor Reception

## THURSDAY, MAY 5TH

0700-1630 Registration Open  
0730-0900 Morning Coffee  
0800-1200 Training & Breakout Sessions  
0930-1400 Exhibit Hall Open  
1000-1100 Refreshment Break\*\*  
1130-1330 Conference Luncheon  
Visit the Exhibits\*  
1300-1700 Training & Breakout Sessions  
1400-1500 Refreshment Break\*\*

## FRIDAY, MAY 6TH

0800-1000 Registration Open  
0800-1100 Morning Coffee  
0900-1100 Special Event:  
2019 Jersey City Shooting\*  
1200 Conference Adjourns

*\* Pre-Registration Required*

*\*\*Time at Instructor Discretion*

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**RECEPTION SPEAKER****COLONEL PATRICK J. CALLAHAN  
NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE**

Colonel Patrick J. Callahan was sworn in on October 31, 2017 as the 14th Colonel of the New Jersey State Police. He has served more than 26 years with the New Jersey State Police. He previously served as the Deputy Superintendent of Operations overseeing nearly 1,800 road troopers assigned to State Police stations throughout the State. Prior to this assignment, Colonel Callahan served as the Deputy Superintendent of Administration. Previous assignments also included him serving as the Commanding Officer of the Emergency Management Section as well as the Recovery Bureau Chief in the wake of Super Storm Sandy.

In this role, he was responsible for working with FEMA, all State Departments, county and local government entities, as well as the Governor's Office of Recovery and Rebuilding to administer and oversee the \$1.5 billion in FEMA Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation funding awarded to the State. Colonel Callahan has also served as the Chief Financial Officer for the New Jersey State Police and has held various assignments in the Administration Section overseeing budget and fiscal responsibilities associated with the Division. He was also assigned to the Homeland Security Branch and assisted in the planning and distribution of the federal homeland security funding awarded to the State and its 21 counties in the wake of 9/11. Prior to this assignment, Colonel Callahan served as a station detective and general road duty Trooper.

Colonel Callahan earned a Master's Degree in Administrative Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University and earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Villanova University. He is a graduate of the 243rd FBI National Academy Session where he was elected Session President. Colonel Callahan also served as the Chairman of the State Police Retirement System Pension Board of Trustees until his recent appointment to Colonel on November 1, 2017.

He has been married to his high school sweetheart, Linda, for 31 years and they have four children, Steven, Cassidy, Ryan, and Carrie Ann.





## CAPTAIN JONATHAN C. YOUNG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Jonathan Cardell William Young was born for a lifetime of service. He began the journey November 28, 1961, in Newark, New Jersey, son of Ruth Griffin Young and Howard Curtis Young. In 1979, he graduated from Abraham Clark High School in Roselle and from Linden Vocational Technical School where he studied electronics.

At age 15, Jon started his career in emergency services with the Roselle Volunteer Ambulance Corps. In 1979, he became a volunteer firefighter for the Roselle Fire Department, and in 1990, he achieved his life goal to become a career firefighter for the department. In 2001, he was promoted to lieutenant; he later earned the rank of captain. He was a certified Level 2 Fire Department Training Officer, training firefighters at the Roselle Fire Department and at the Union County Fire Academy. He served as an EMT for over 23 years and as coordinator of the Office of Emergency Management in Roselle.

Jon was Roselle's most highly decorated firefighter. In addition to being awarded Fire Fighter of the Year three times, he received Valor Awards from the New Jersey Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association and the St. Barnabas Hospital Burn Foundation, and the Community Service Award from the Roselle NAACP. A highlight of his career was the delivery of thirteen babies. In 1997, while off duty, Jon rescued a civilian trapped in a burning car, for which he received a Valor Award from the City of Woodbridge.

In his memory, and in an effort to preserve his love for the community, the Borough of Roselle, the Roselle Chamber of Commerce, Agape House of Worship, and the Young family are holding the Annual Jon Young Memorial 5K. Jonathan was a certified HAZMAT specialist and communications specialist with the New Jersey Urban Search and Rescue Team NJ-TFI. NJ-TFI was the first rescue team at Ground Zero on September 11, 2001, and remained there for ten straight days.

Following that assignment, he worked with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in a mental health support program for first responders. Jon was the communications officer for the NJ Task Force and president of the NJ Emergency Preparedness Association.

He was a certified instructor for confined space rescue, high angle rope rescue, HAZMAT, automobile extrication, CPR, weapons of mass destruction, blood borne pathogens, incident command systems, and emergency vehicle driving. In his off time 'Juice,' as he was affectionately known, enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He was a licensed Ham Radio Operator and was in the process of obtaining a pilot's license. He loved all animals, especially Kieko and Kayla, his beloved Labradors. Jonathan C. W. Young departed this life in the line of duty on November 16, 2011, just shy of his 50th birthday. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant!'



# TUNO EMERGENCY MANAGER OF THE YEAR



Kevin H. Tuno was the Burlington County Emergency Management Coordinator for 17 years, culminating a career with Burlington County that began as an emergency services dispatcher in 1982. Kevin was also a former chief of the Burlington City Fire Department, a life member of the Young America Fire Co., and Endeavor Emergency Squad, and a member of the Independent Fire Company, all in Burlington. He was also a member of the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Association.

At his passing, Burlington County Freeholder Director Mary Ann O'Brien said, "The entire Burlington County community is deeply saddened by the passing of our longtime emergency management coordinator Kevin Tuno. Kevin led the county's response during trying times, including through the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the devastating July 2004 flood, and Superstorm Sandy."

Kevin had over 30 years of experience in emergency management and disaster response. As the emergency management coordinator, Kevin was instrumental in the formation of the Burlington County Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). Kevin received a Master's Degree in Administrative Science, the Certified Public Manager designation from the state of New Jersey, he was a master exercise practitioner and an Adjunct Professor at Burlington County College.

Barry E. Eck, President of the New Jersey Emergency Management Association, said in a statement: "Kevin was a talented and dedicated emergency management coordinator who loved his work. His experience and wisdom provided foresight with balance to the otherwise chaotic world of emergency management." Kevin Tuno died at age 56 on Sept. 15, 2015, at his residence in Burlington City.



# ENGAGING YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

## TUESDAY, MAY 3RD, 1 PM TO 5 PM

NJEPA continues to work to improve Emergency Management well beyond the confines of the conference. We developed this specialized program for “the next generation of emergency managers” (under 40+/-). Learn how our panelists have advanced their careers to make their mark in the profession; enjoy time engaging with others “new” to the field.

This session is designed for those who are new to Emergency Management or looking to get started in the field. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask industry leaders questions about the field, get career advice, network and learn how Emergency Management touches every industry in the public and private sector. Program elements will include a panel discussion with veteran Emergency Management professionals, a presentation from a higher education institution, networking opportunities, and a chance to win free attendance at the 2023 NJEPA Conference.

### Event Agenda:

1:00 PM	Kick-off	3:15 PM	Higher Ed Presentation
1:30 PM	Panelist Introductions	3:20 PM	Emergency Management Trivia
2:15 PM	Q&A with Panelists	3:45 PM	Networking with Panelists & Attendees

### 2022 Professional Panelists:

#### ***Christian Davidson***

Air Force Emergency Management Specialist, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

#### ***Seth Ditmer***

Director of Emergency Disaster Services, The Salvation Army, New Jersey Division

#### ***Mitzi Kaiura***

Bureau Chief, Emergency Management Program, Bureau of Emergency Response, NJDEP

#### ***Eric Martin***

Operations and Training Officer, Middlesex County Office of Emergency Management

#### ***April Sudol***

New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, Recovery Bureau

## ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES CLASSES

NJEPA in partnership with the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management is pleased to continue the initiative that will allow Conference attendees to complete the Advanced Professional Series within three years.

The Advanced Professional Development Series offers “how to” training focused on practical information. This series emphasizes applied skills in disaster operations and management, in conjunction with the Professional Development Series emergency management fundamental skills. The APS course lineup was first established to motivate and challenge students to continue emergency management training. Courses include practical skills from the whole spectrum of emergency management and disaster duties. APS courses are classroom based unless otherwise noted. Students who complete the 5 required courses and any 5 of 15 elective courses are eligible to receive the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate of Completion.

By completing the APS, individuals show that they are knowledgeable in the five mission area components of emergency management: prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery. The series completion certificate is a standard that is recognized across the country. The APS does not require a recertification once initially completed and there is no cost to participate in the FEMA sponsored certification program. APS courses are delivered through the New Jersey OEM.

## AWARDS & NETWORKING RECEPTION

**TUESDAY, MAY 3RD, 5:30 PM TO 8:00 PM**

Join us for the Annual Awards and Networking Reception! The conference is just getting started and this is an opportunity to meet with our colleagues (new and old) to look forward to the weeks' remaining events...as we honor emergency managers and future emergency managers during our awards program. This event will feature light hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. There is a nominal \$15 fee for this event so please remember to sign up when you register. Seating is limited.

**\*\*Limited Tickets Available\*\***

### Program Highlights

Welcome from the NJEPA President

Update from the State Director of Emergency Management

Atlantic City Electric “Award of Merit” Presentation

Presentation of 2022 Scholarship Awards

“Kevin H. Tuno Emergency Manager of the Year” Award Presentation

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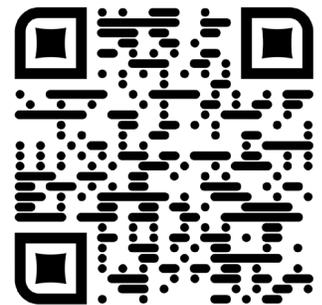
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**Monday, May 2nd, 2022**

**0800-1700 / G393 / Mitigation for Emergency Managers - Day 1 of 2 / Wildwood 1**

This course is designed to enable the non-technical emergency worker to acquire skills in the use of mitigation. The course provides training in how to perform mitigation activities fundamental to reducing and eliminating long-term risk from hazards. It addresses the important roles of the emergency program manager (or other local government representative) in mitigation: motivator, coordinator, and monitor in local implementation of the National Mitigation Strategy.

**0900-1700 / Basic and Advanced SKYWARN Spotter Talk / Wildwood 19**

SKYWARN is a volunteer program of storm spotters that relay real-time weather information to the National Weather Service (NWS). The NWS is responsible for issuing severe weather warnings that alert people when a potential threat will affect their area. By adding in real-time reports from what the storm is actually doing makes our warnings that much more accurate, credible, and timely. We also use spotter reports to help verify if severe weather is or did occur during the official warning. This training will also feature a return of the Advanced SKYWARN spotter talk with more complex techniques on observing and identifying severe weather.

**0900-1700 / AWR 313 / Homemade Explosives: Awareness, Recognition, and Response (HME) / Wildwood 17**

The HME course provides first responders with information on general explosive characteristics and hazards, homemade explosive precursor materials, homemade explosive manufacturing indicators, and Improvised Explosive Device (IED) components. Additionally, the course teaches first responders how to identify a homemade explosive laboratory and how to establish scene safety and security in such an incident. First responders are also presented information regarding community awareness and education programs related to homemade explosives. This information better prepares first responders to recognize hazards associated with homemade explosives during response operations.

**0800-1200 / Active Shooter Incident Management - Basic / Wildwood 3**

Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM) Basic is a 4-hour introductory course demonstrating the ASIM Checklist integrated response process to law enforcement, fire, and EMS responders. Instructors introduce key concepts of integration and engage responders in three (3) hands-on functional exercise scenarios, enabling response practice while improving comprehension and retention.

**0800-1200 / NJOEM Basic Workshop in Emergency Management / Wildwood 6**

This course is to provide an overview of emergency management in New Jersey with discussion that include the roles and responsibilities of emergency managers, identify statutes, authorities, training resources, understanding the needs of EOP, LEPC, declarations, PDA, EOC, and other topics that are applicable to emergency management. This course is capped at 35 participants by NJOEM. NJOEM has advised that there will be additional offerings of this course later this year, please go to NJOEM Training Schedule for additional information on future course offerings ([nj.gov/njoem/training/schedule.shtml](http://nj.gov/njoem/training/schedule.shtml))

**0800-1700 / G2300 / Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions Day 1 of 3 / Wildwood 8**

This course is designed to assist individuals and jurisdictions who desire to develop or improve their Emergency Operation Centers (EOC). By the end of the course, students will be able to demonstrate, the managerial and operational roles of the modern-day EOC as a NIMS Command and Coordination functional group operating within a Multiagency Coordination

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**0800-1700 / G108 / Mass Care Coordination and Operations Day 1 of 2 / Wildwood 14**

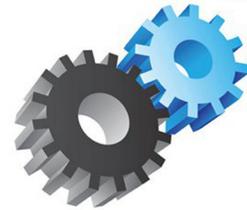
This course provides training for local communities to prepare for and manage the Mass Care/Emergency Assistance (MC/EA) functions effectively. The goal is to prepare community agencies, organizations, and businesses to work together in coordination with Emergency Management and traditional MC providers to plan and provide MC/EA services to those affected by disaster. Target Audience: This course is intended for MC coordinators, management staff, non-governmental organization leaders, private sector, and other emergency management staff that are a part of the team and have a responsibility for effective MC/EA preparedness and response. Elective course for the FEMA APS Certificate.



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**Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022**

### **0800-1700 / PER 343 / Social Media Engagement Strategies / Wildwood 3**

This eight-hour performance-level course is designed to provide participants with knowledge and skills using social media tools to engage individuals and volunteer organizations for assistance during an emergency. Participants will learn about social media engagement techniques, individual and organizational roles in crisis communication, and Virtual Operations Support Teams (VOST). The course will supplement and build upon NDPTC's existing FEMA-certified performance-level course entitled "Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery" (PER-304) by providing social media strategies for engaging the public during disaster events.

### **0800-1700 / MGT 324 C / Prevention of, Response to, and Recovery from Campus Emergencies for Active Shooter Incidents / Wildwood 24**

The goal of this course is to assist the campus community and the neighboring jurisdiction in developing the necessary decision-making skills to prevent, protect, mitigate the effects of, respond to, and recover from a an active shooter situation or other campus emergency. The course consists of small, problem-based, integrated group activities that require a coordinated, integrated approach to solve. Through a tabletop scenario, course participants will observe a developing active shooter incident and respond in a manner consistent with currently established campus and jurisdictional emergency operations procedures. This course is customized for a one-day presentation consisting of eight hours. It was designed with an emphasis on active shooter situations at school campuses, including K-12 schools, community colleges, colleges, and universities.

### **0800-1700 / G108 / Mass Care Coordination and Operations Day 2 of 2 / Wildwood 10**

This course provides training for local communities to prepare for and manage the Mass Care/Emergency Assistance (MC/EA) functions effectively. The goal is to prepare community agencies, organizations, and businesses to work together in coordination with Emergency Management and traditional MC providers to plan and provide MC/EA services to those affected by disaster. Target Audience - This course is intended for MC coordinators, management staff, non-governmental organization leaders, private sector, and other emergency management staff that are a part of the team and have a responsibility for effective MC/EA preparedness and response. Elective course for the FEMA APS Certificate.

### **0800-1200 / New Jersey Fire Emergency Resource Deployment Act / Wildwood 19**

This presentation will describe the Deployment Act and how it is used to deploy fire resources locally, at the county level and throughout the state during fire and other emergencies. We will discuss the process of developing local and county fire mutual aid plans and the process of activating these plans as needed. An explanation of Deployment Act regulation and requirements will be discussed. This presentation will provide OEM members, Fire Chiefs, Fire Service members and other local officials a complete understanding of the regulation, how it supports the local fire service and meets the needs of a community during fire emergencies.

### **0800-1700 / PER XXX / Drone Assessment and Response Tactics (DART) / Wildwood 4**

The DART, Mobile course provides emergency personnel with the knowledge and skills necessary to detect, identify, track, assess, respond, and report Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) activity. Participants are presented with information on the current UAS criminal and terrorist threat, analog and electronic UAS detection techniques, and response tactics to address this threat. Course Objectives: Recognize Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) uses and components. Recognize the threat posed by

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the criminal and terrorist use of commercially available Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) technology. Recall Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) regulations and the counter-UAS tactics associated with first responder operations. Discuss C-UAS Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTPs) used throughout the included case study. Recall audio and visual detection techniques utilized when detecting potentially hazardous Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) activity. Recall tracking techniques and assessment methodology utilized when encountering Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) activity. Recall response and reporting options when encountering suspicious or unsafe Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) activity.

### **0800-1700 / G2300 / Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions Day 2 of 3 / Wildwood 8**

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### **0800-1200 / Responding to Natural Gas Related Incidents & Coordinating Joint Exercises with Gas Utilities and Emergency Services/ Wildwood 17**

A pilot light out or a main damaged by digging? When a gas related call comes into emergency services it is hard to know what to expect. While the issues can vary, your response shouldn't. No matter what the emergency knowing ahead of time what could be involved is essential to a positive outcome. We will discuss from the first officer on the scene, until the incident is made safe. We will also discuss the steps to hold a successful Joint Exercise with Emergency Responders and Gas Utility Companies.

### **0800-1700 / G393 / Mitigation for Emergency Managers Day 2 of 2 / Wildwood 1**

This course is designed to enable the non-technical emergency worker to acquire skills in the use of mitigation. The course provides training in how to perform mitigation activities fundamental to reducing and eliminating long-term risk from hazards. It addresses the important roles of the emergency program manager (or other local government representative) in mitigation: motivator, coordinator, and monitor in local implementation of the National Mitigation Strategy. Target Audience: State, local, and tribal government emergency program managers, other emergency management staff, and other local government employees responsible for mitigation. The G393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers is a required course for the FEMA APS Certificate.

### **1300-1700 / Preventing First Responder Suicide / Wildwood 6**

This workshop will address the emotional toll responding to suicide calls takes and resources for suicide prevention and post-vention that exist for responders. Attention will also be paid to the prevalence of substance use disorders and mental health issues that often culminate in a suicidal crisis both in

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responders and the general community. Objectives: Participants will learn the high prevalence rates of suicide among first responders. Recognize both Suicide Risk Factors and Warning signs to differentiate each. Learn how to utilize Acute Traumatic Stress Management techniques and the QPR approach to assisting a distressed colleague.

### **1300-1700 / NJEPA Young Professionals Event / Wildwood 25**

NJEPA is proud to once again offer the Young Professionals Event at our upcoming conference. This session is designed for those who are new to Emergency Management or looking to get started in the field. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask industry leaders questions about the field, get career advice, network and learn how Emergency Management touches every industry in the public and private sector. Program elements will include a panel discussion with veteran Emergency Management professionals, a presentation from a higher education institution, networking opportunities, and a chance to win free attendance at the 2023 NJEPA Conference.

### **1300-1700 / Available Statewide Fire Resources / Large Fire incident Case Studies / Wildwood 19**

This class will provide a description and capacity of statewide fire resources available to a community during large scale fire emergencies. These resources include firefighting foam assets, large water delivery systems and their components, collapse rescue resources and other fire task forces available. Once the resources are explained case studies will be used as examples of incidents where statewide resources were deployed.



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### **0800-1700 / G557 / Rapid Needs Assessment / Wildwood 1**

This course teaches the need and development of plans/procedures for rapidly and efficiently collecting disaster intelligence immediately following a disaster. The target audience for this course is government officials and/or emergency management personnel who will perform a Rapid Needs Assessment within the first few hours after an emergency to provide a response designed to save lives and support life sustaining actions. G557 Rapid Needs Assessment is a required course for the FEMA APS Certificate.

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### **0800-1700 / G358 / Evacuation & Re-Entry / Wildwood 10**

This course provides participants with the knowledge and skills needed to design and implement an evacuation and re-entry plan for their jurisdictions. It uses a community's vulnerability analysis and evacuation plan. It also addresses evacuation behavior and recommends methods to make evacuation and re-entry more efficient. This course does not address the decision to evacuate or re-enter. Target audience: the persons responsible for planning, implementing, and carrying out evacuations within a jurisdiction. This includes, but is not limited to, state and local government emergency program managers, emergency planners, and response personnel. The G358 Evacuation and Re-entry is an elective course for the FEMA APS Certificate.

### **0800-1200 / Focus on Safety for Youth and Adults on the Spectrum / Wildwood 19**

While safety is important to everyone, it is a major concern among many people with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their families as the complex communication, social, sensory and behavioral challenges associated with ASD may place people with this disorder at increased risk of injury or death. It is essential to recognize these issues in the home and community and to manage those risks. This interactive workshop will provide reliable information about autism spectrum disorder and highlight important topics including home safety, emergency preparedness, elopement and wandering, fire safety, water safety, poison control, transportation safety issues, safety education, and more. Emergency planning strategies and interventions to support autistic people and their families will be addressed. Practical safety resources will be provided to attendees.

### **0800-1700 / AWR 347 / Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management / Wildwood 3**

Building awareness of future climate hazards and impacts that the emergency services sector may face is very important. This course helps emergency services and the community better prepare for the climate adaptations necessary and systems vulnerabilities that may occur from hazard impacts. Par-

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Participants will be able to describe the principles of climate adaptation planning for emergency management and existing first response processes and will be able to discuss the impact of weather on critical infrastructure and key resources while explaining the concurrent effects of climate change on those impacts. Participants will also gain an understanding of how to identify and apply adaptation strategies to address local emergency services sector vulnerabilities. The course is also designed to provide opportunities for participants to learn about various resources that can be used to implement local climate adaptation strategies in their communities. The goal of this course is to prepare the community and the emergency services sector for the climate adaptations and systems vulnerabilities that might occur from hazard impacts and to enhance awareness to future climate hazards and impacts that the emergency services sector may face.

### **0800-1700 / AWR 132 - Understanding and Planning for School Bomb Incidents/ Wildwood 4**

The UPSBI course provides first responders with the skills and knowledge necessary to respond to school bomb threats and school bombing incidents. This course provides information on the purpose and function of school emergency management plans, warning signs of aggressive student behavior, critical actions when responding to a school bombing threat, recognition of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and components, and preventive school bombing incident measures. Learning Objectives: Identify the purpose and function of a school emergency management plan including the four phases of emergency management. Recognize warning signs of aggressive behavior. Identify response actions based on scenario types and bombing hazards. Identify Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and their components. Recognize school security measures and training components necessary in an effective school bombing response plan.

### **0800-1200 / Emergency Responders Guide to Electrical Utilities / Wildwood 24**

Emergency responders provide a valuable and necessary public protection service when they stand by scenes of electrical emergencies until we're able to respond. This presentation has been prepared to help emergency response personnel identify and report damage to electrical facilities during electrical emergencies. We will discuss power system damage that can occur during storms and traffic accidents. These situations can pose a significant danger to the public and the emergency workers. We will review what should be done when electrical facilities are involved in an emergency situation. What the primary function is until the utility responds is to set up a secured safety zone protecting the emergency workers, the public and protect exposures.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) / SERC Updates / Wildwood 20**

The EPCRA federally mandated legislation was established in the 1980s and addresses preparedness, planning, and response for hazardous chemical facilities regulated by EPCRA. Governor Murphy signed Executive Order # 284 on January 20, 2022. EO #284 provides clarity of the State Emergency Response Commission's (SERC) role and responsibility under EPCRA. EO #284 also provides the SERC with flexibility regarding emergency planning districts that includes composition of the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), coordination, and Emergency Response Plans (ERP). Co-chairs of the SERC will be providing a brief of EO #284 and providing overview with regards to LEPCs going forward.

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### **0900-1700 (BREAKOUT) / NJ State Sheltering Task Force / Wildwood 17**

The NJ State Sheltering Task Force has been tasked to work in coordination with our County Office of Emergency Management agencies as well as various urban centers in order to discuss sheltering capacities and needs. The Task Force has developed 20 Shelter Recommendations that have been distributed throughout the OEM Community to provide guidance and information relative to sheltering in the State of New Jersey. Three subcommittees have been formed: Staffing, Facilities and Disabilities and Access and Functional Needs to address various issues and challenges that were revealed during the Statewide meetings. Join this breakout session in order to receive the latest updates regarding sheltering operations within the State.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / National Domestic Preparedness Consortium Training / Wildwood 14**

This will be a presentation on the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium. The NDPC is sponsored through the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA National Preparedness Directorate. It is the principal means through which the Directorate identifies, develops, tests, and delivers training to state and local emergency responders. Since its establishment in 1998, the NDPC's impact on national preparedness has been substantial. The NDPC has conducted training in all 50 states and each U.S. territory. This training has benefited more than 1,900,000 people since 1998. Today, the consortium's various programs meet the training and education needs of more than 60,000 emergency responders and state, local, and tribal government employees. The consortium applies its expertise in academics, curriculum development, and instructional techniques to produce training programs that address the most urgent needs of the emergency response community.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / The July 29, 2021 Delaware Valley Tornado Outbreak / Wildwood 12**

On July 29th, 2021, a multi-faceted severe weather event affected the region, bringing destructive winds, flooding, and 5 tornadoes to the Garden State. The presence and height of the tornado debris signatures during this event allowed for several tornado warnings to be upgraded to "Radar Confirmed Tornado" and "Observed" tags along with "Particularly Dangerous Situation" phrasing. We review the interactions with trained spotters and core partners and subsequent storm surveys that likely saved countless lives during this outbreak. With many of these interactions taking place via social media, we also evaluate the role these communication channels played in the warning decision-making process.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Trends in Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Higher Education: A Panel Discussion / Wildwood 14**

This panel discussion will look at the trends in emergency management, disaster and homeland security higher education as well as review opportunities for the public safety community, in New Jersey, for degree and certificate programs. Panelists include leaders in Higher Education in New Jersey.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / QPR, Question, Persuade, Refer / Wildwood 20**

QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. Each year thousands of Americans, like you, are saying "Yes" to saving the life of a friend, colleague, sibling, or neighbor. The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention

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training. The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know. This as a 90-minute nationally evidenced based training provided by QPR certified trainers.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / National Weather Service Webpage Design, Mobile Widget, and Decision Support Services / Wildwood 12**

The National Weather Service (NWS) website serves as a critical conduit in which life-saving weather, water, and climate data, forecasts, and warnings reach the weather enterprise. Where on the webpage is all of this data located, though? What about a method to access all of our data through a mobile widget? We will discuss the location of various NWS products and Decision Support Services as well as what services and products are offered.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Use of a Family Assistance Center in a Large Scale Incident / Wildwood 6**

Large scale incidents can overwhelm the public and the responders. A family assistance center (FAC) can be used to help support the families, friends, loved ones and survivors of an incident. Family reunification and assistance centers can be used to help communicate sensitive messages and information to those involved as these incidents evolve including identification of the victims. Participants will understand the fundamentals necessary to plan and prepare communities as well as discuss the facility needs. Additionally participants will understand resources available at the State level.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Introduction To Shipboard Marine Firefighting For Land Based Fire Fighters / Wildwood 17**

Land based fire departments have been called in to assist with large vessel fires. If you are responsible for a marine terminal or have a mutual aid agreement that covers one, than this training will be an introduction to managing a large vessel fire. Topics will include brief case studies of ship fires, initial action plans, partner/ private agency response expectations, risk management and technical explanations of various vessel types.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / PSEG Response and Collaboration / Wildwood 14**

It was March of 2020, and the world was about to change. COVID-19, the need to for social distancing, masking and other public health precautions took people out of their offices, children out of their schools and sent everyone to their homes to work, to go to school and to maintain their everyday lives. For utilities and utility emergency management day-to-day operations had to change. Distribution operations had to find ways to keep essential personnel safe and Utility Emergency Management had to find new ways to bring people together. The challenges of maintaining a safe, reliable, and customer-focused distribution system were still the same, except now, everyone was at home and customers relied on it even more. For PSE&G New Jersey, this "New Normal" meant that the teams, technology, and workflows designed to maintain the 24/7 operation of the grid had to change overnight. Traditional workflows and storm response plans needed to adapt to the virtualization of resources. While the technology existed to take storm response online, the emergency preparedness team was now charged with embracing this technology and helping personnel adapt to redefine how we serve our customers and partners.

### **1300-1700 / Surviving Bombing Incidents for Educators (SBIE) / Wildwood 19**

This course provides educators, administrators and personnel working in school environments with



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the knowledge and skills necessary to perform critical life-saving actions in the immediate aftermath of a bombing incident. Educators are presented with lectures, discussions, and demonstrations on the hazards and injuries associated with bombings; these activities culminate in a series of performance-based exercises designed to allow course participants to practice live-saving tactics, techniques, and procedures in bombing scenarios. Overall Terminal Learning Objectives (TLOs): Recognize the continued need for the application of life-saving techniques and interventions immediately after a school bombing incident. Describe the physical characteristics and injuries associated with an explosion and general safety guidelines when encountering these incidents. Recognize the tactics and techniques necessary to safely respond in the immediate aftermath of a school bombing and conduct life-saving treatment to mitigate the effects of blast injuries and loss of life. Recognize treatable blast injuries in the immediate aftermath of a school bombing and the correct treatment options (tourniquets, pressure dressings, and hemorrhage control) and application methods.

### **1300-1700 / NJOEM Basic Workshop in Emergency Management / Wildwood 6**

This course is to provide an overview of emergency management in New Jersey with discussion that include the roles and responsibilities of emergency managers, identify statutes, authorities, training resources, understanding the needs of EOP, LEPC, declarations, PDA, EOC, and other topics that are applicable to emergency management. Target Audience: State, county, and local government emergency managers, other emergency management staff, and other local government employees responsible for assisting before, during, or after an emergency. The NJOEM Basic Workshop in Emergency Management is required for all municipal and county OEM coordinators. This course is 4 hours long, and offered more than once during this conference.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / Examining Impacts of Hurricane Ida (Part I) / Wildwood 12**

Hurricane Ida impacted numerous regions across the United States and is already one of the costliest tropical cyclones on record. Across the state of NJ, impacts were severe. There were a total of 29 fatalities reported in the Garden State with 45 out of the 49 river forecast points in the Mount Holly County Warning area going into flood. A total of three tornadoes were also reported across New Jersey, with an EF-3 surveyed near Mullica Hill. This presentation will review the meteorology, partner interactions, and impacts relating to Hurricane Ida. In addition, as Ida moved north and ultimately interacted with a frontal zone, record setting heavy rainfall and devastating river and urban flash flooding occurred over much of northern NJ and the Tri State NJ/NY/CT region. Estimates from NWS's Office of Water Prediction are that this event was a 1 in 500, to 1 in 1000, year rainfall event for the Tri State area. This second presentation continues the meteorological and hydrologic overview of the event for northern NJ, including a summary of partner interactions and impacts. Finally, new research initiatives for both the monitoring and predicting of these extreme heavy precipitation events in the urban environment will be briefly shown and discussed.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / Overnight Sheltering for those with Disabilities and Access and Functional Needs / Wildwood 17**

This session will provide information on conducting a shelter simulation exercise that involves the disabilities and access and functional needs community. With the "whole community" approach you will learn about how to conduct this exercise and more importantly how to identify weaknesses in your sheltering plan and improve upon them using additional organizations and/or resources.

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### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / Emergency Management and Special Event Planning / Wildwood 20**

Topics to include: What are Specials Events? Pre Event Planning. Risks and Hazards to Consider. Special Operations Considerations. ICS. Planning.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Examining Impacts of Hurricane Ida (Part II) / Wildwood 12**

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### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Resources for Emergency Responders: After the Call / Wildwood 20**

There are numerous programs in the State of New Jersey looking out for the well-being of emergency service personnel. Volunteer and paid services throughout the twenty-one counties address pre-incident, incident and post-incident considerations. Specific resources will be identified throughout the state including: CISM, first responder stress education, resilience development and structured post-action opportunities. The personal and professional well-being of emergency service personnel is critical and needs to be a central part of the culture to ensure continued and effective response.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Partnerships with Community-Based Organizations in Disaster Response and Recovery / Wildwood 17**

In emergency management it is very important to build partnerships in the communities we serve. This session is designed to discuss the importance of partnering with Community Organizations such as the Rotary, Masons, Elks, American Legion and others in order to support your disaster response and recovery operations. Learn how these organizations can build upon the great work they all do while at the same time supporting your emergency management mission.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Verizon Frontline and Comprehensive Cross Carrier Public Safety Interoperability / Wildwood 17**

A presentation by Mr. LeGrande, one of Verizon's chief consultants and architects of Verizon's nationwide public safety broadband communications strategy. Formerly Chief Technology Officer for the District of Columbia government, Mr. LeGrande led DC's Public Safety Land Mobile Radio (LMR) network upgrade and as a result DC and National Capitol Region received the highest interoperability rating offered by the Department of Homeland Security in 2007. In addition, Mr. LeGrande led the development of the nation's first two city-wide public safety 700MHz wireless broadband networks.

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### **0800-1700 / Mental Health First Aid / Wildwood 3**

Mental Health First Aid is an 8-hour course (often broken up into two 4-hour days) that teaches the participants how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. The workshop helps the participant identify, understand, and respond to signs of addictions and mental illnesses. Objectives: Participants will identify potential risk factors and warning signs for a range of mental health and substance abuse problems

Participants will be able to apply the five-step action plan encompassing the skills, resources and knowledge to assess the situation. Participants will develop skills in assisting disaster survivors who may be developing or have developed a mental health disorder or substance abuse disorder to appropriate help and supports. Become aware of professional, peer and self-help resources.

### **0800-1200 / AWR 406 / Unmanned Aircraft Systems Program Development (UASPD) / Wildwood 1**

The goal of the USAPD course is to aid first responders and emergency agencies in the successful development, implementation, and sustainment of a department or agency's small unmanned aircraft system (sUAS) program. This course provides class participants with the knowledge and tools required for establishing sUAS program goals; deciding if an agency is best suited by sUAS operations options under 14 CFR part 107 or operating sUAS programs as a public aircraft operation (PAO); requesting waivers and airspace authorizations; and developing standard operating procedures (SOP). This course will provide first responders with an understanding of FAA regulations governing 14 CFR part 107 operations along with statutory requirements for public aircraft operations. The UASPD course also presents a review of Government agency sUAS program best practices. Learning Objectives: Understand FAA regulations for public aircraft operations. Understand which operational options are most appropriate for their agency. Identify best practices and SOP procedures. Understand requirements for requesting waivers and airspace authorizations. Identify aircraft and equipment options available. Life sustaining actions. G557 Rapid Needs Assessment is a required course for the FEMA APS Certificate.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / Safeguarding At-Risk Residents in Today's World / Wildwood 14**

Protecting at-risk populations in your community is critical during severe weather events and other incidents. Yet it's challenging to identify who they are, what conditions they have, and where they're located. Having this information easily accessible can improve emergency communication and response efforts. Attendees will learn about best practices to help overcome these obstacles and strengthen communication between residents and public safety personnel.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / What's New in FEMA Region 2? / Wildwood 12**

This session will review: FEMA's NEW Strategic Plan 2022-2026, Incorporating Equity in Preparedness (Ready Youth in a Box, Ready Seniors, Faith Preparedness Coordination), Using Analytics to Drive Programming (National Risk Index and RAPT [Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool]), Updates from NJ FIT

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / State of the State Search and Rescue Program / Wildwood 20**

This discussion will brief attendees on the current state of the State Search and Rescue program to include training opportunities available to responders, mission documentation and accountability systems, geo-spatially based data collection tools available through EMMIT, as well as a review of recent search and rescue missions and lessons learned.



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### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / Virtual Operations: From Finding a Tweet to Closing a Street / Wildwood 8**

Social media data mining and Virtual Operations Support Teams (VOSTs) are a rising topic in emergency management due to the valuable situational awareness social media can contribute after the reports are vetted. This session discusses how social media has changed how people share emergency and disaster impact information as well as how public safety can utilize reports for better situational awareness and decision making. It also teaches simple ways agencies can find and vet reports and discusses examples of how these finds have assisted with real public safety decisions. Lastly, the concept and creation of VOSTs will be covered. The goal of the presentation is to reveal how social media intelligence can enhance the speed and confidence in incident decisions.

### **0900-1015 (BREAKOUT) / Radiological Response Planning in New Jersey / Wildwood 17**

This oral presentation/training session includes three segments - 1) an overview of the NJOEM's Radiological Emergency Response Planning & Technical Unit's (RERP&T) radiological emergency response plans as they relate to the state's nuclear generating stations; 2) a basic radiation safety module; and 3) a discussion of post-plume and ingestion pathway activities that would take place after a power plant release of radioactive materials.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Say Goodbye to paper, GIS is Moving In / Wildwood 12**

This topic will talk about how GIS is making paper a thing of the past. David Will talk about how GIS is evolving by moving into other areas such as dispatching 911 calls and how web maps are starting to be used instead of paper maps. Tom will talk about how NJ EOC is managing power outages, road closures, weather, resource request by the use of a GIS Dashboard. Touch on the four stages of Emergency management Preparedness, Response, Recovery and Mitigation, PAPER IS BEING MOVED OUT OF THE MAPPING WORLD AND IS BEING REPLACED BY THE WEB.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Search and Rescue Resources / Wildwood 20**

There are subtle and not-so-subtle differences between SAR, USAR, Rescue, Mass Rescue, Recovery, Mass Recovery and Mass Fatality responses. We discuss the operational differences, typical response models, resource types, force multipliers, training requirements and some little-known complexities.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Canine Comfort - Crisis Prevention to Response / Wildwood 14**

Tri-State Canine Crisis Response Team, an all volunteer, 61 canine handler teams, began providing services in 2015. Responding to everything from psychological first aid in special needs classrooms to providing first responder and survivor support after mass shootings such as the Pulse nightclub shooting. Since Covid, Tri-State has been deployed first as emotional support to staff working long hours under stressful conditions in EOCs, ME offices, dispatch centers and eventually vaccine clinic megasites. During Covid, Tri-State provided remote support to many schools via Zoom calls, assisting teachers with their lesson plans utilizing their canine partner's special talents. At the same time, Tri-State was requested and deployed to four national events including the Fed Ex shooting in Indianapolis, Louisiana after cascading severe weather events. Come hear the wide range of services provided by this team and learn from their lessons to better help plan for recovery by fostering resilience in first responders, survivors and the impacted community.

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### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Fundamentals of Climate Change and Impacts in New Jersey: A Panel Discussion / Wildwood 8**

Organized by FEMA Region 2's Climate Adaptation Initiative Committee, this session will build a general understanding of climate change science (how the climate is changing, observable differences in weather phenomena, predictions about future climate conditions) and potential impacts to New Jersey communities. Hear from a panel of subject matter experts on how climate change will affect your planning, response, recovery and resilience efforts. 30 minutes will be dedicated for Q&A with panelists.

### **1030-1145 (BREAKOUT) / Bridging the Gap: Bringing Radiological Awareness and Training to the NJ Responder Community / Wildwood 17**

Many responders in New Jersey have a rudimentary understanding of radiation detection and hazards. The subject matter expertise at the state level often lies with the state radiation control program staff. It is an infrequent occurrence when these two groups of professionals have the opportunity to interact. Fostering relationships with municipal, county, and state level responders allows for a professional environment which enables a better flow of technical knowledge and skills. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Radiation Protection Element (RPE) already offers some training to these responders, however there is room for improvement. The RPE has received grant funding from the Homeland Security Grant Program/Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) under the NJ Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness (OHSP). This funding gives us the resources we need to make our training better, more efficient, consistent across the board, and available to as many responders as possible. To date, the focus of our grant work has been on development of online course content, available for free to all NJ police, fire, and EMS through OHSP's NJLearn online e-learning management system. Future work will focus on in-person training classes which will concentrate on radiological emergency response training, specifically as it relates to DHS's National Urban Security Technology Laboratory's (NUSTL) Radiological Dispersal Device guidance. This presentation will highlight the work being done under the auspices of this grant.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / Living Safely for People with Disabilities and Special Health Needs, An Interactive Peer Learning Session / Wildwood 17**

People with disabilities are often at increased risk for injury and in need of adapted safety education, which is relevant, understandable, and functional for their needs. This session will describe collaborative work focused on inclusive and equitable safety education. Through an Inclusive Healthy Communities grant from the New Jersey Division of Disability Services, Department of Human Services, New Jersey partners, disability self-advocates, and subject matter experts throughout the country are leading the way to broaden safety education and resources. Attendees will be engaged to examine, expand, and analyze inclusion in the mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery phases. Interactive discussions will explore prevention and preparedness, communication and interactions, community safety education, and standards of practice incorporating vital aspects and perspectives of disability.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / A Look at Disaster Recovery for Minority Communities / Wildwood 20**

Working with minority communities after a disaster can be challenging for emergency managers. Differences in language, culture, and even a lack of trust can cause delays and problems when trying to rebuild. As emergency managers, it is important to provide culturally competent recovery for those affected. This



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session takes a look at a case study on how Korean Community Services of Metropolitan New York (KCS), a community organization in Queens, NY, worked with community members who are mainly minorities and have Limited English Proficiency (LEP) to recover from Hurricane Ida. The case study will cover how the community was impacted, how KCS provided culturally competent assistance, partnering with government agencies of all levels, and the challenges faced while providing services. The case study focuses on the time from when Hurricane Ida arrived to the end of 2021 after the FEMA deadline.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / FEMA Public Assistance Program / Wildwood 12**

This session will be an overview of FEMA and State requirements for the “current” Preliminary Damage Assessment ( PDA) procedures and documents, plus explain the future deployment of the 2022 “ EZRI PDA” which is the computer based system. Also information on Debris Management (FEMA Requirements, documentation, NJ DEP permitting, and eligibility)

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / 10 Years after Hurricane/Superstorm Sandy: A review of the weather forecasting for the event and what has changed 10 years later / Wildwood 8**

Hurricane/Superstorm Sandy occurred in October 2012. As we approach the 10 year anniversary, this is a good time to look back at the weather forecasting for the event and what has changed since then. Sandy was an extremely high impact event for New Jersey and the surrounding region. And it provoked much discussion within the weather community on what worked well, what didn't, and how weather forecasting must change. Many changes that can be found in weather forecasting today were driven by the Sandy experience. And these changes have occurred locally, nationally, and even internationally. The presenter was directly involved with key decision-making during Sandy as the Meteorologist-in-Charge of the National Weather Service office in Mount Holly, NJ. He will pull back the curtain and discuss some of the decision-making and the subsequent actions that occurred during the runup to Sandy's landfall.

### **1300-1415 (BREAKOUT) / Lessons learned from death investigations during a pandemic / Wildwood 14**

The COVID-19 pandemic created many public health challenges including managing the deceased. This program will discuss the death investigations lessons learned during the COVID-19 pandemic. In a time when many people would not seek treatment for acute and chronic conditions, the out of hospital death rate increased. During the months of March through August of 2020, the increased frequency of deaths from COVID and non COVID related illnesses became difficult to manage. The increased rate of death put stresses on the medical examiner community as well as police, EMS and mortuary providers in New Jersey.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / What's next: Pandemic Fatigue and the “New Normal” / Wildwood 14**

Pandemic fatigue is the exhaustion people are feeling with the changes to daily life resulting from the COVID-19 crisis. All people want is for life to return to how it was before. Pandemic fatigue is an accurate description of what many people are experiencing right now, but it's more than just being tired, it's even more than being exhausted. This course will educate as well as address self-care strategies to combat pandemic fatigue and examine what the “new normal' will look like.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Back to the Basics: The Interfacing between OEMs and Animal Response Teams / Wildwood 20**

In recognition of the powerful human-animal bond, effective planning for residents and their pets is a

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critical aspect of a successful emergency sheltering strategy in any community. Office of Emergency Managements (OEMs) and County Animal Response Teams (CARTs) are entrusted to coordinate in their efforts to maintain an appropriately trained and prepared team of emergency pet shelter volunteers. There are objectives and protocols for this coordination that should be followed. By reviewing the infrastructure of collaboration and communication between OEMs and CARTs, this presentation will affirm the basic procedures between these two entities.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Annual South Jersey Emergency Response Exercise & Drill, Lessons Learned and Future Plans / Wildwood 17**

Since 2016, a consortium of public and private entities have conducted three iterations of the South Jersey Emergency Response Exercise and Drill. After the string of devastating hurricanes striking major metropolitan areas, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has identified as a priority the ability of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to respond to and support the State and local governments in response to a major hurricane striking the coastal areas. DHS/FEMA put forth an initiative to conduct a series of hurricane preparedness exercises to validate revised hurricane response plans and to identify additional immediate coordination and preparedness improvements in areas with high hurricane risk. The overall purpose is to provide participants with an opportunity to evaluate current response concepts, policies, plans, and capabilities for a response to a major hurricane strike in the New Jersey coastal areas. The exercise focuses on the ability of Atlantic County, Cape May County, New Jersey State and local agencies and critical infrastructure operators to assist with command and control, effect State and Federal coordination, facilitate critical decision making, respond to State and local emergency response requests, deliver response supplies to the affected areas, rapidly recover infrastructure operations and integrate Federal assets with State and local assets to mitigate against and recover from a major hurricane. The presentation will focus on one of the key learnings from these events, specifically NJ's state of readiness to deploy a variety of air assets immediately following a disaster. Based on input from the FAA as well as various state and local operators, New Jersey is poised to be the next state (either 5th or 6th) to standardize an airspace approval process to operate sUAS, UAS, and crewed aircraft concurrently. The presentation will discuss the SOPs of other states as well as the remaining steps necessary to complete the process in New Jersey.

### **1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / Hazard Vulnerability Analysis in PEAC for Facilities / Wildwood 8**

The class will introduce to a planner or responder how PEAC Hazard Analysis can be used to view Tier II facilities and Transportation vessels on a Google Map and recognize both wind-based hazards and omni-directional hazards caused by a one of several different types of events, e.g., explosion of energetic material, vapor cloud explosion, pool fire, BLEVE. Representing the worst consequence of any chemical involved in a specific facility. The instructor will demonstrate and view: The Tier II report for a facility, Technical reference resources for Tier II chemicals, A Worst-Case Analysis of all chemicals in a facility, Reports that summarize the community's chemical inventories, The use of "virtual incidents" that represent common transportation release accidents and position them on the map at critical transportation routes or intersections, Identify which Tier II facilities could impact vulnerable infrastructures (schools, hospitals, nursing homes, etc). We are providing NJ DEP analysis for nearly every facility in NJ. This class will cover how a planner/responder can use PEAC to view Tier II facilities on a Google Map. Recognize how models represent the consequences of chemicals in a specific facility. The instructor will demonstrate how to share model results with a GIS interface and view: Technical

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reference resources for Tier II chemicals, Analysis of all chemicals in a facility, reports that summarize the community's chemical inventories, the use of "virtual incidents" that represent common transportation accidents and position them on the map at critical transportation routes or intersections, Identify Tier II facility impact on vulnerable infrastructures (schools, hospitals, etc).

**1430-1545 (BREAKOUT) / FEMA Public Assistance Program: Grants Portal and NJEMGrants / Wildwood 12**

This session will be an overview of FEMA requirements of all Sub-recipients regarding the navigation of the FEMA Grants Portal and NJEMGrants, plus review of changes / amendments within the most recent FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide. ( PAPPG) Version #4



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### 0900-1100 / 2019 Jersey City Shooting / Wildwood 13

Key members of the On-Scene Incident Command of the Jersey City Police Department, and Jersey City Office of Emergency Management/Homeland Security will discuss the response, mitigation, and aftermath of the Active-Shooter event that occurred on December 10th, 2019 in Jersey City. This incident ultimately claimed the life of Det. Joseph Seals and disrupted the community of Jersey City for several days. Speakers will provide a brief overview and analysis of the events and throughout their discussion will identify areas of strength in their response capabilities, agency interoperability, and communications; as well discuss the lessons learned from this event that have helped plan for the future. This is a unique opportunity for all attendees to see firsthand the intricacies of a multi-agency response to a large-scale incident where various major threats rapidly presented themselves with limited information. The challenges faced by Senior Leadership not only involved the hundreds of rounds fired in between two schools and multiple businesses, but also involved confirmed IED's, multiple crime scenes, and hundreds of Law Enforcement Officers from dozens of jurisdictions.

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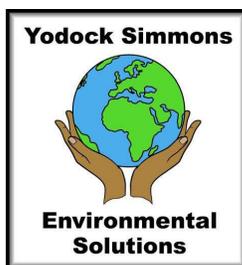
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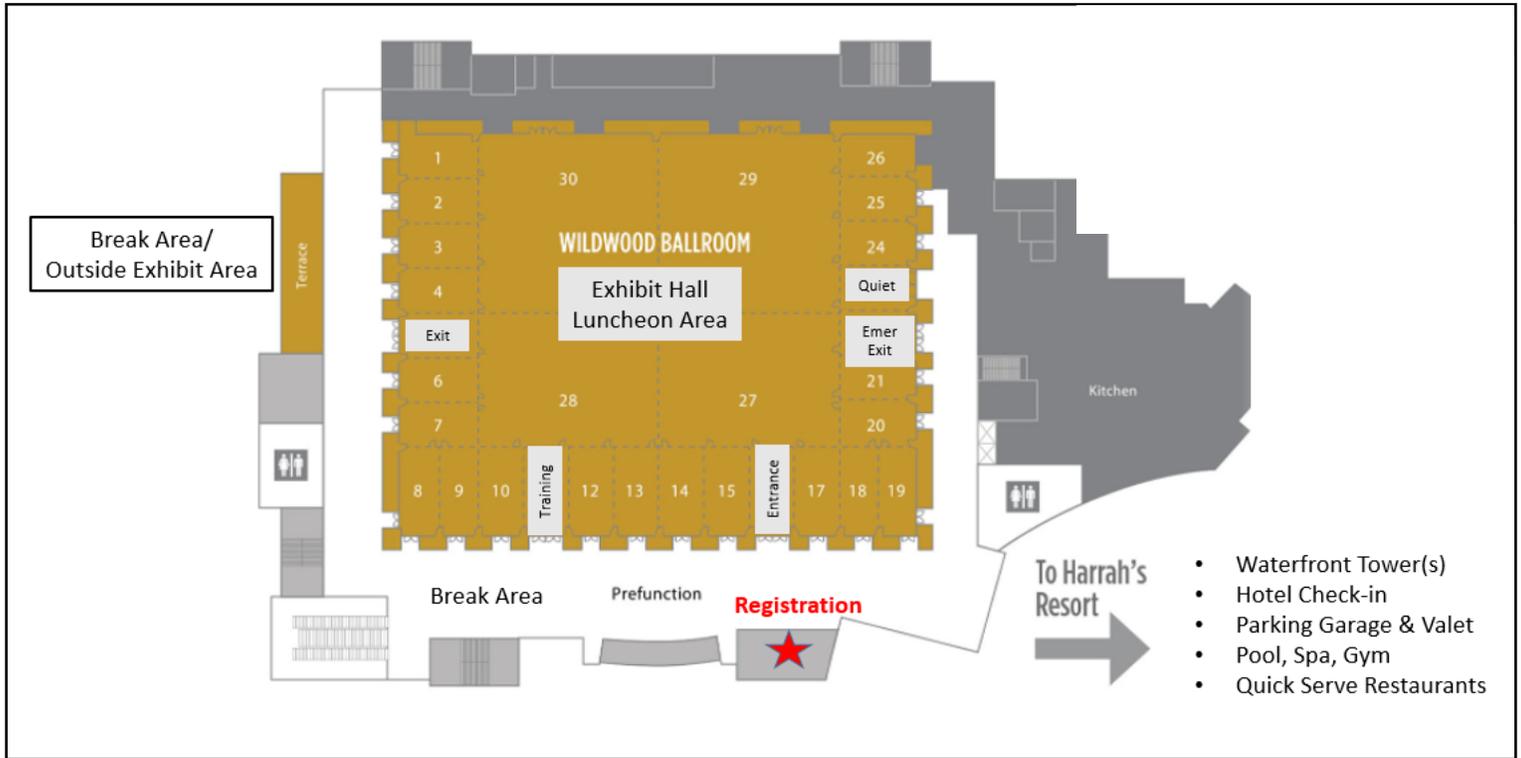


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