



2024 WESTERN REGIONAL GAS CONFERENCE

August 20 & 21, 2024

The Tempe Mission Palms Hotel, Tempe, Arizona

CONFERENCE • SEMINARS • VENDOR EXHIBITS

O&M Topics, Integrity Management, New Technology • PHMSA Rulemaking Updates • Vendor Exhibition

We are a completely non-profit and volunteer-organized event. Our objectives are to:

1. Provide a venue for discussion of natural gas distribution and transmission topics, regulations, issues;
2. Provide an atmosphere of fellowship, information exchange, and networking between delegates, speakers, and vendors; and
3. Provide a venue where operators can interact with PHMSA and State Regulators on an informational basis.

2024 WRGC PROGRAM OVERVIEW

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

1:00 pm – 5:00pm: Vendor Set-up & Registration
(Vendors & Delegates) – Palm Ballroom Foyer

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20:

Keynote Address, Regulatory Agenda Overview, Emergency Response, DIMP, and other Pipeline Safety & Operations Seminars

7:00 – 8:00am: Continental “Snack Shack” Breakfast or hot Mission Grille breakfast & Delegate Registration

8:00am – 4:30pm: Conference Seminars & Exhibits
Deluxe Buffet Lunch Provided

4:30 – 6:30pm: Reception & Raffle in the Vendor Exhibit Area

Join us for a hosted reception with appetizers, drinks, and great high quality raffle prizes provided by WRGC and our vendors. Network with vendors and colleagues!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21:

Pipeline Safety & Operations Seminars (continued)

7:30 – 8:15am: Continental “Snack Shack” Breakfast or Mission Grille hot entrée Breakfast & Exhibits

8:00am – 3:15pm: Conference & Exhibits
Deluxe Buffet Lunch Provided

Grand Prize Raffle at the end of the sessions in Palm Ballroom Main Session Area!

Register now for the best prices and prepare for an enjoyable and educational opportunity! Registration fee covers attendance at all seminars, continental breakfast or hot breakfast, breaks and delicious buffet lunch each day and admission to the Tuesday night reception with great door prizes. (Must be present to win.)

SPEAKERS & TOPICS HIGHLIGHTED

Keynote: New PHMSA Objectives for 2024 and Beyond

Alan Mayberry – Associate Deputy Administrator, PHMSA

The Regulatory Agenda, PHMSA Rulemaking Updates; DIMP; Plastic Pipe Rule, and other topics

Chris McLaren – Transportation Specialist, PHMSA

Distribution/Transmission Integrity Management Sessions

Seminars related to DIMP/IMP/IVP rules and recent audit issues by APGA, PHMSA and industry specialists.

Pipeline Safety Management Systems (PSMS)

How to scale PSMS for your organization and how to get buy-in from Executive Management.

Emergency Response/Incident Analysis Topics

Timely discussions of Emergency Response, Leak Investigation, overviews of incidents and Lessons Learned from the largest utility insurance agency.

Gas Transmission Mega Rule Updates – RIN 1, 2 Updates and challenges

Corrosion Control Track on Tuesday

American Gas Association and American Public Gas Association topics

Measurement and Control Topics