



## ECA Annual Meeting – Looking Towards 2020

**January 30-31, 2020**

Liaison Washington Capitol Hill  
415 New Jersey Ave NW, Washington, DC

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020	
11:00am – 11:45am	<b>Registration Opens</b>
11:45am – 1:15pm	<p><b>Welcome Lunch: What to Expect in Nuclear Energy in 2020</b></p> <p><i>The Session will focus on the development of first small modular reactor in the country by UAMPS and priorities for the nuclear energy industry in 2020.</i></p> <p><b>Welcome: Ron Woody</b>, County Executive, Roane County; Chair, ECA</p> <p><b>Introduction: Brent Gerry</b>, Mayor, West Richland, WA; Vice Chair, ECA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mason Baker</b>, Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems</li> <li>• <b>John Kotek</b>, Vice President, Policy Development and Public Affairs, Nuclear Energy Institute</li> </ul>
1:15pm – 2:15pm	<p><b>Local Initiatives that Facilitate Successful DOE Missions</b></p> <p>This panel discussion will focus on steps local governments can take to help lead to successful DOE missions. Panelists will share their own experiences from around their site to help identify meaningful recommendations for both DOE officials and local communities.</p> <p><b>Facilitator: Mark Watson</b>, City Manager, Oak Ridge, TN</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>David Reeploeg</b>, Vice President for Federal Programs, TRIDEC</li> <li>• <b>Randall Ryfi</b>, Councilor, Los Alamos County, NM</li> <li>• <b>Will Williams</b>, President &amp; CEO, Economic Development Partnership</li> </ul>
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30pm – 3:30pm	<p><b>2020 Agenda – A View from the Hill</b></p> <p><i>This panel discussion among Congressional staff and committees will address legislative and funding related to DOE's environmental cleanup, NNSA and new nuclear development.</i></p> <p><b>Facilitator: Colin Jones</b>, Vice President, Deputy General Manager North American Nuclear, Jacobs</p>



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10:00am – 10:15am	Break
10:15am – 10:45am	<p><b>Overview of Waste Management Across the Complex</b></p> <p><i>DOE will provide an overview of DOE Waste Management activities.</i></p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> <b>Kara Colton</b>, Director of Nuclear Energy Programs, ECA</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Doug Tonkay</b>, Director of Waste Disposal, EM-4.22.</li> </ul>
10:45am – 11:45am	<p><b>Outlining the Needs of Sender and Receiver Sites in 2020</b></p> <p><i>As waste disposition continues and DOE considers alternative disposition paths for the future, it is important to understand the key role receiver sites play and the support sender sites can provide. During this session, representatives from communities around WIPP and the NNSS will discuss their priorities and challenges as DOE prepares to address disposal pathways for some of the most complex waste streams across the complex.</i></p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> <b>Darrell Lacy</b>, Planning Director, Nye County, NV</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dave Carlson</b>, President and Chief Operating Officer, Waste Control Specialist</li> <li>• <b>JJ Chavez</b>, Councilmember, City of Carlsbad, NM</li> <li>• <b>Varlin Higbee</b>, Commissioner, Lincoln County, NV</li> </ul>
11:45am – 1:15pm	<p><b>Lunch: Understanding EM Priorities and the Year Ahead</b></p> <p><i>As the election year gets underway, meeting participants will get insight on DOE's Office of Environmental Management priorities and expectations. This session will highlight DOE's successes in 2019 and well as future challenges, and the role local governments can play to support cleanup goals.</i></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> <b>Ron Woody</b>, County Executive, Roane County, TN; Chair, ECA</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ike White</b>, Senior Advisor for Environmental Management to the Under Secretary for Science, U.S. Department of Energy</li> </ul>
1:15pm – 2:15pm	<p><b>Washington Insiders – Lessons Learned in 2019 and Challenges in 2020</b></p> <p><i>Washington insiders will revisit highlights from last year and make predictions for 2020 on workforce needs, high-level waste, nuclear energy, budget and changes in the Department among other items</i></p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> <b>Seth Kirshenberg</b>, Executive Director, ECA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bob DeGrasse</b>, VP and Manager of Governmental Affairs, Bechtel</li> <li>• <b>Mary Louise Wagner</b>, Government Affairs Consultant</li> <li>• <b>Tim Smith</b>, President, Governmental Strategies, Inc.</li> </ul>

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<p>2:15pm – 3:15pm</p>	<p><b>Turning Conflicts into Lessons Learned</b></p> <p><i>This session is all about turning lessons learned into best practices that will continually be looked to as a guiding principle for optimal site operation. Panelists will give advice on how to document in the most proficient way site experiences to efficiently and effectively communicate and utilize lessons learned in the future.</i></p> <p><b>Facilitator: MacKenzie Kerr</b>, Program Manager, ECA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Carolyn Hanson</b>, Deputy Director, Environmental Council of the States</li> <li>• <b>Charlotte Bowers</b>, Commissioner, Roane County, TN</li> <li>• <b>Phil Klevorick</b>, Program Manager, Department of Comprehensive Planning, Nuclear Waste Division, Clark County, NV</li> </ul>

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