



Region 4 Air Permitting Workshop

July 21-23, 2026

Hybrid Meeting (Decatur, GA)

The Courtyard Marriot 130 Clairmont Ave, Decatur, GA 30030

For the virtual meeting link please contact Scott Hodges at shodges@metro4-sesarm.org

Wednesday, July 15, 2026 (VIRTUAL ONLY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS)

10:00 am to 11:30 am (ET)	Pre-Workshop Roundtable with State, Local, and Tribal Agencies	Facilitated by Metro 4/SESARM staff Attendees limited to state, local, and tribal staff
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Tuesday, July 21, 2026 (HYBRID)

1:00 pm	Welcome and Introductions	Denisse Diaz, EPA Region 4 Air and Radiation Division (ARD) Director Scott Hodges, Metro 4/SESARM
1:15 pm	EPA Regional Perspectives	Lynorae Benjamin, EPA Region 4 ARD Deputy Director
1:30 pm	Summary of State and Local Agency Pre-Workshop Roundtable Discussion	Scott Hodges, Metro 4/SESARM
1:45 pm	Operating Permit Program Implementation Updates	Matt Spangler, EPA Office of State Air Partnerships (OSAP)
2:15 pm	New Source Review Program Implementation Updates	Rochelle King, EPA OSAP
2:45 pm	Break (15 min)	
3:00 pm	Section 111/112/129 Regulatory Updates	Jake Carpenter, EPA Region 4
3:30 pm	Breakout Session (States and Locals Meet with EPA Region 4 Contacts) – Part 1	-TN & Locals, Alabama & Locals, Georgia, Mississippi – Meet with Stationary Source Team Contacts - Florida & Locals, South Carolina, Kentucky & Local, North Carolina & Locals – Meet with Air Permits Section Contacts
4:30 pm	Adjourn	

Wednesday, July 22, 2026 (HYBRID)

8:30 am	Day 2 Welcome; Day 1 Recap and Follow-up	Brad Akers, EPA Region 4
8:45 am	Public Comments and Permit Processing	Steve Allison, Georgia EPD
9:15 am	OSAP Title V Petition Trends Update	Matt Spangler, EPA OSAP
9:45 am	Break (15 min)	



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10:00 am	Air Curtain Incinerators – Navigating New Rules/State Experience	Jake Carpenter, EPA Region 4 Karen Mongoven, NACAA Taylor Hartsfield, North Carolina DEQ
10:45 am	Advanced Recycling/Pyrolysis – Overview and State’s Experiences	TBD, EPA Steve Allison, Georgia EPD
11:30 pm	Lunch (on your own)	
1:00 pm	Data Centers Permitting & Modeling Issues	Roundtable Facilitated by EPA Region 4
2:00 pm	Wood Pellet Facilities – Case-by-Case MACT Update	Jake Carpenter and Kathleen Musmanno, EPA Region 4
2:45 pm	Break (15 min)	
3:00 pm	Landfill & RNG Facility Co-location	Jake Carpenter and Emily Ferrando, EPA Region 4
3:45 pm	Breakout Session (States and Locals Meet with EPA Region 4 Contacts) – Part 2	-TN & Locals, Alabama & Locals, Georgia, Mississippi – Meet with Air Permits Section Contacts - Florida & Locals, South Carolina, Kentucky & Local, North Carolina & Locals – Meet with Stationary Source Team Contacts
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EVENING	Optional Group Activity – TBD, Decatur, GA	

Thursday, July 23, 2026 (HYBRID)		
8:30 am	Day 3 Welcome; Day 2 Recap and Follow-up	Brad Akers, EPA Region 4
8:45 am	Clean Air Act Permitting System (CAAPS) & RBLC Overview & Demo	Kathleen Musmanno, EPA Region 4
9:45 am	Break (15 min)	
10:00 am	Summary of EPA Region 4 Modeling Activities	Rick Gillam, EPA Region 4
10:30 am	EGU PSDs/Uncertainty Around GHG NSPS State Approaches	Lori Shepherd, EPA Region 4 State Perspective/Discussion
11:00 am	Contracting Services for Permitting – States Experience	Jeffrey Bland, Mississippi DEQ Jimmy Johnston, Tennessee DEC
11:45 am	Meeting Wrap-Up and Next Steps	
12:00 pm	Adjourn	