



Metro 4/SESARM Air Directors' Meeting

FALL 2025

[SpringHill Suites Huntsville Downtown](#) (745 Constellation Place Dr SW, Huntsville, AL, 35801)

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Tuesday, October 28 <i>(Metro 4 Staff Only)</i>		
1:00 pm	Metro 4 Annual Business Meeting (105 min) <i>Elect officers and approve budget for FY 2026. Local program roundtable (~5 min per agency).</i>	Jason Howanitz, President, Metro 4 (Metro 4 staff only)
2:45 pm	Break (15 min)	
<i>(Metro 4 and SESARM Staff)</i>		
3:00 pm	Joint Metro 4/SESARM Business Items Discussion (30 min) <i>Grant closeout, new grant detailed accounting proposal.</i>	Greg DeAngelo, Metro 4/SESARM (Metro 4 and SESARM staff)
<i>(SESARM Staff Only)</i>		
3:30 pm	SESARM Annual Business Meeting (90 min) <i>Elect officers and approve budget for FY 2026. State agency roundtable (~5 min per agency).</i>	Mike Abraczinskas, Chair, SESARM (SESARM staff only)
5:00 pm	Adjourn	

Wednesday, October 29 (Open to all)		
8:00 am	Welcome and Introductory Remarks (15 min) <i>Review Region 4 ARD success and priorities, identify key Region 4 staff roles and organizational changes.</i>	Darlene Elliott, Natural Resources Director, Huntsville NREM Air Quality Denisse Diaz, Director, EPA R4 Air and Radiation Division
8:15 am	Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division (30 min) <i>Provide updates from EPA Region 4 program areas.</i>	Keriema Newman, Director, EPA R4 Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division
8:45 am	Grants Management and Strategic Planning Office (60 min) <i>Share status of Region 4 grants focusing on core 103 and 105 grants, discuss other grant programs.</i>	Katy Lusky, EPA R4 ADAS Supervisor Angie Billups, EPA R4 MSD Greg DeAngelo, Metro 4/SESARM
9:45 am	Break (15 min)	
10:00 am	Air Planning and Implementation Branch (45 min) <i>Provide updates from EPA Region 4 program areas.</i>	Brad Akers, Acting Branch Manager, EPA R4 APIB Jeannie Williamson, EPA R4 ARMS Supervisor
10:45 pm	Training Update (60 min) <i>Recent and upcoming courses, CAMx training, New Solutions scheduling and administration, course requests.</i>	Scott Hodges, Metro 4/SESARM
11:45 pm	Lunch (on your own)	

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Wednesday, October 29 – Continued

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1:15 pm	NC's Analysis of EPA's Proposed Repeal of GHG Vehicle Emission Standards (30 min)	Mike Abraczinskas, North Carolina DEQ
1:45 pm	Air Analysis and Support Branch Updates (60 min) <i>Provide updates from EPA Region 4 program areas.</i>	Katy Lusky, EPA R4 ADAS Supervisor
2:15 pm	Exceptional Events Processing (30 min) <i>Status of EPA review, regulatory significance, deferrals.</i>	Rick Gillam, EPA R4 ARD
2:45 pm	Break (15 min)	
3:00 pm	EPA OAQPS Air Quality Assessment Division (60 min) <i>Provide updates from EPA Headquarters program areas.</i>	Karen Wesson, Director, EPA OAQPS AQAD
4:00 pm	EPA OAQPS Air Quality Assessment Division (60 min) <i>Provide updates from EPA Headquarters program areas.</i>	Scott Mathias, Director, EPA OAQPS AQPD
5:00 pm	Adjourn	

6:30 – 8:00 pm Please Join us for social time, bocce, cornhole, swings, and an acceptable amount of [horsejacking](#) at the [Stovehouse Leisure Lawn and Food Garden](#) — 3414 Governors Drive, Huntsville AL 35805

Thursday, October 30

(Open to all)

8:00 am	Data Centers and Related Air Quality Issues (120 min) 1. <i>Experiences with permitting data centers</i> 2. <i>Preparing for public meetings</i> 3. <i>Impacts on power plants and EGU projections</i> 4. <i>Industry insights from MARAMA and Region 3</i>	Tom Updyke, CSG South Senior Policy Analyst Marc Cone, MARAMA Executive Director Joe Kessler, West Virginia DEP Kasia Smith-Alexander, Shelby County Jim Boylan, Georgia EPD
10:00 am	Break (30 mins)	
10:30 am	Ozone Exceptional Events and Attainment Classification in Louisville, KY (45 min)	Michael Kennedy, Kentucky EEC Rachael Hamilton, Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Government APCD
11:15 am	Implementing Regulations with Announced Rollbacks (15 min) <i>Share experiences and plans.</i>	Greg DeAngelo, Metro 4/SESARM (facilitated roundtable discussion)
11:30 am	Asbestos Project Guidance (15 min) <i>Applicability determinations for projects (specific recent examples include trailer parks and storm debris).</i>	Greg DeAngelo, Metro 4/SESARM (facilitated roundtable discussion)
11:45 am	Closing Remarks, Meeting Feedback, and Wrap-up (15 min)	Denisse Diaz, Director, EPA R4 ARD Greg DeAngelo, Metro 4/SESARM
12:00 pm	Adjourn	

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