



Florida Section
AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT
A S S O C I A T I O N

2026 - 61st Annual A&WMA Conference Agenda

Wednesday, May 20th

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM **Registration/Continental Breakfast**



7:45 AM – 8:00 AM **Opening Remarks**

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM **Keynote Address and Welcome: FDEP Secretary - Alexis Lambert**

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM **Air Technical Session**

Update on Air Regulations and Permitting/Off Permit Process/Roundtable

Moderator: **Libby Eastman**, CDM Smith

Speakers: **Hasting Read**, FDEP
Jessica Dalton, FDEP
David Read, FDEP
Preston McClane, FDEP
Greg Munson, Gunster
Jared Straus and Thomas Young, Trinity



10:00 AM – 10:15 AM **Break**

10:15 AM – 12:00 PM **Waste-to-Energy Session**

Renewable Energy From Non Hazardous Secondary Material

Moderator: **Al Linero**

Speakers: **David Robau**, National Energy USA
Al Linero, Linero Concrete Concepts
Jason Fournier, Lee County
Jason Gorrie, JMG Engineering



12:00 PM – 1:30 PM **Lunch and Address from John Kinsman AWMA Int'l President Elect
Announce Scholarship Winners & Elections**

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM **Student Challenge**
Moderator: Chrissy Schaub, Quadratic Consulting

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM **Break**

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM **Waste Technical Session**



PFAS Topics, FDEP Division of Waste Cleanup Update, and Methane Plume Diagnostics for Landfills

Moderator: **Shannon Jeffries**, FPL
Speakers: **James Mills/Joe Applegate**, Geosyntec
Jonathan Thorn, Eurofins
Tim Bahr, FDEP, FDEP
Tarek Abichou, FAMU-FSU



5:30 PM – 7:30 PM **Young Professional Networking – Proof Brewery**



Thursday, May 21st

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM **Registration and Breakfast**



8:00 AM – 9:30 AM **Water Resource Management (Industrial Wastewater Considerations)**

Moderator: **Lindsey Starner**, JEA
Speakers: **Kevin Holbrooks**, JEA
Erin Deadly, Deadly Law
Brad Pekus, CIP Solutions
Lauren Gottfried, FDEP
Maurice Barker, FDEP



9:30 AM – 10:00 AM **Student Poster Competition**

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM **Break**



10:30 PM – 12:00 PM **Legislative, Regulatory and Policy Update**

Moderator: **Ron Brise**, The Arrow Group

Speakers: **Alex Cronin**, DEP

Alexandria Kenan, Gunster

Bill Karl, SWCA

Keyna Cory, Florida Recycling Association



12:00 PM – 1:30 PM **Lunch Announce Student Challenge and Poster Awards**
Elizabeth Swiman, FSU Sustainability Program Update

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM **Clean Energy/Emerging Technology Technical Session**

Moderator: **Wei Liu**, CDM Smith

Speakers: **John Kuhn**, USF

John Kinsman, President Elect, AWMA International

Robert A. Velasco, TECO

Erica Kotajarvi and Brian Swanson, CMS Solutions

3:00 – 3:30 PM **Conference Wrap Up**

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING.
WE ARE ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR!

