

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NAHMMA CHAPTER CONFERENCE

IN-PERSON

APRIL 23-24, 2024

CSU Spur

4777 National Western Dr.
Denver, CO 80216

TOURS

Tuesday, April 23

Meet at the Entrance to the Terra Building

Registration & Load Bus

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM
Registration at the Entrance to the Terra Building
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM
Load Bus

Tour ACTenviro

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Tour Clean Harbors & Lunch

10:45 AM – 12:30 PM

Tour Central Utility Plant (The CUP)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Tour CSU Spur Buildings

Vida, Terra, & Hydro
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

REGISTER AT
NAHMMA.ORG



SPEAKERS

Wednesday, April 24

Terra Building: Pumpkin & Alfalfa Rooms

Registration & Networking

8:00 AM – 8:25 AM
Breakfast burrito and coffee available

Welcome

8:25 AM – 8:30 AM
Welcome Speech, Shelly Fuller, Chapter President

Technical Sessions

- 8:30 AM – 11:20 AM
- 8:30-9:15 | **Colorado's Efforts to Address PFAS**
David Dani, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
 - 9:20-10:00 | **Lithium-Ion Battery Fire Response** | Chris Wells, South Metro Fire Rescue
 - 10:00-10:15 | **Break**
 - 10:20-11:20 | **Understanding the Risks of Damaged, Defective, and Recalled (DDR) Lithium Batteries** | Dr. Logan Blizzard, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Luncheon & Sponsor Highlights

11:25 AM – 12:25 PM

Technical Sessions

- 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM
- 12:30-1:15 | **Sustainable Waste Disposal Options for Rural and Mountain Towns**
Bridget Johnson, Green Girl Recycling
 - 1:20-2:00 | **LatinX Community Outreach for HHW Program** | Abigail Waller, Colorado State University
 - 2:00-2:15 – **Break**
 - 2:15-3:00 – **Bomb Squads and Hazardous Waste Disposal: A Symbiotic Relationship**
Kevin Hobson and Ion, Northern Colorado Bomb Squad

Closing Remarks & Networking

3:00 – 4:00 PM

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TOPICS & SPEAKER BIOS

Colorado's Efforts to Address PFAS

David Dani, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment



David Dani is the Emerging Contaminants Coordinator for the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Previously, he oversaw training for Colorado's Safe Drinking Water Program, was lab manager at CU's drinking water optimization lab, and led projects in Peru and Nepal with Engineers Without Borders.

David's presentation will cover current and future federal and state actions to address PFAS, including a PFAS Action Plan, product bans, disposal, and resources available to support testing and impacted communities.

Lithium-Ion Battery Fire Response

Chris Wells, South Metro Fire Rescue



Chris Wells is a Captain with South Metro Fire Rescue (SMFR) and has been a firefighter for over 25 years. Chris is the hazmat response coordinator for SMFR, which services an area encompassing 287 square miles and consisting of 30

fire stations. Chris developed the training curriculum and emergency response policies for lithium-ion battery fires for SMFR and other local fire departments and has presented on the subject during multiple municipal conferences regarding hazardous materials and lithium-ion battery fires. Chris received his B.A. in Emergency Services Management from Columbia Southern University.

Understanding the Risks of Damaged, Defective, and Recalled (DDR) Lithium Batteries Dr. Logan Blizzard, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

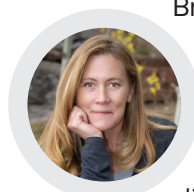


Logan Blizzard is a Transportation Specialist on the Outreach Engagement team for the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)'s Office of Hazardous Materials Safety (OHMS).

Dr. Blizzard served as the coordinator for PHMSA's Interagency Working Group on Lithium Battery Safety in 2023 and has co-developed compliance aid materials and safety advisories focused on lithium-ion battery transportation, including 2023's "Understanding the Risks of Damaged, Defective, and Recalled (DDR) Lithium Batteries."

Sustainable Waste Disposal Options for Rural and Mountain Towns

Bridget Johnson, Green Girl Recycling



Bridget Johnson is the owner and founder of Green Girl Recycling in Longmont, Colorado. An environmental enthusiast and active local business owner, Bridget has created lasting recycling and diversion programs in hard-to-reach

areas, including mountain communities and rural areas along Colorado's Front Range. Bridget has managed the Hard-to-Recycle Takeback Program for the City of Longmont for three years and has recently partnered with the City of Longmont to run its monthly shredding event for Longmont residents.

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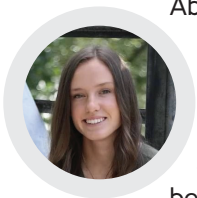


TOPICS & SPEAKER BIOS, CONTINUED

She has also served as an active board member on the Boulder County Resource and Conservation Division board since 2002 and as a board member representing the Jamestown community since 2007.

LatinX Community Outreach for HHW Program

**Abigail Waller,
Colorado State University**



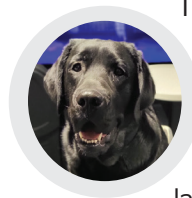
Abby Waller is a senior at Colorado State University studying Environmental Public Health. She is an admissions ambassador for the university, conducting tours of campus and facilitating interactions between all types of students. Abby

recently completed an internship at the Boulder County Hazardous Materials Management Facility this past summer and had a blast learning about the world of haz waste!

Abby completed a project in Hazardous Materials Outreach for the LatinX Community in Boulder County. She had the opportunity to identify disproportionately impacted communities and assist them by collaborating with LatinX champions and business partners to develop accessible Hazardous Waste information in Spanish as well as organize a waste clean-up event at a local mobile home community.

Bomb Squads and Hazardous Waste Disposal: A Symbiotic Relationship

**Kevin Hobson and Ion,
Northern Colorado Bomb Squad**



The Northern Colorado Bomb Squad and the Larimer County Landfill Hazardous Waste Department have been working together for many years to dispose of hazardous waste that is dropped off at the landfill. This symbiotic relationship

between two different but also closely related organizations has helped both groups dispose of hazardous material in a timely and efficient manner. In exchange for assisting in the disposal of items such as volatile chemicals, ammunition, and fireworks, the Larimer County Landfill assists the Bomb Squad by helping with the bomb range maintenance and the purchase of disposal tools such as ammunition and firework burners.

Deputy Kevin Hobson is currently the Assistant Bomb Squad Commander of the Northern Colorado Bomb Squad. He was certified as a FBI Public Safety Bomb Technician in 2018. Since 2018, Deputy Hobson has attended numerous trainings on disposing of hazardous materials and homemade explosives through the use of explosives. Most recently, Deputy Hobson has become an Explosive Detection K-9 Handler. His partner, Ion, was trained by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.