

FOUR CORNERS

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

2026 AGENDA

Branson, Missouri • December 7–9, 2026

MONDAY | December 7, 2026

8:30 – 11:30 am Four States Integrated Weather Team Meeting — NWS · Short Creek

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
10:00 am – 12:30 pm	Registration		Main Concourse
1:00 pm	Posting of Colors and Welcome <i>General Session</i>	Branson FD Honor Guard Gregg Sweeten, Four Corners Chairman	Short Creek
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	FEMA Region Updates <i>General Session</i>		Short Creek
2:15 pm – 3:00 pm	AJ Gary	Former Director, ADEM Former President, NEMA	Short Creek
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Break & Visit Vendors		Main Concourse
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Blue Whale Materials Battery Recycling Fire	Bartlesville, OK Fire Dept	Short Creek
Evening	Optional Activities <i>Silver Dollar City Night or DMAT Tour</i>		

TUESDAY | December 8, 2026

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
7:00 am – 8:30 am	Hot Breakfast		Main Concourse

BREAKOUT SESSION #1 (Choose One)

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Mass Casualty Response (Hospitals) <i>Joplin Tornado</i>	Skip Harper, Freeman Joplin	
8:30 am – 10:00 am	From Chemical Release to Nuclear Detonation	LTC Shreve Bentley National Guard CST	
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Black River Incident	Springfield NWS	
8:30 am – 10:00 am	AI Applications in Emergency Management	Matt Rose	
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Tracking the Patient <i>From Disaster to Discharge (Pulsara)</i>	Angie Cunningham	

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10:00 am – 10:30 am	Break & Visit Vendors		Main Concourse

BREAKOUT SESSION #2 (Choose One)

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	NWS/SPC Experimental Forecasting, Flood Inundation	NWS	

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10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Law Enforcement Topic (TBA)	Bobby Floyd	
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Drones & Robotics	Cherokee Nation	
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	HazMat Topic Roundtable	Sara Allen Missouri Emergency Response Commission	
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	FIFA / Butler Plane Crash	Kevin Tweedy	

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch Provided & Visit Vendors		Main Concourse
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Weather Workshop	Ryan Hall · Doug Heady NWS Representatives · Garrett Lewis <i>More guests TBA</i>	
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Break & Visit Vendors		Main Concourse

BREAKOUT SESSION #3 (Choose One)

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	911	April Tarrant-Ford	
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Alternate Means of Emergency Communication	Clayton Watson	
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Fireside Chats with Kary Cox	Kary Cox	
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Legal Aid in Disasters	Jesica Foutch	
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Weatherford Anhydrous Ammonia Leak	Mike Karlin	

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WEDNESDAY | December 9, 2026

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER / PRESENTER	LOCATION
7:00 am – 8:30 am	Hot Breakfast		Main Concourse
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Four Corners Business Meeting <i>General Session</i>	Gregg Sweeten, Chairman Four Corners Emergency Management	Short Creek
9:30 am – 11:30 am	Keynote Address	Ryan Hall	Short Creek
11:30 am	Door Prizes <i>Must be present to win</i>		Short Creek

CONFERENCE CONCLUDES*Safe Travels!***Notes**

- Schedule subject to change. Please check on-site for the most current information.
- Breakout sessions run concurrently — please choose one per time block.
- Vendor exhibits are open during all breaks and meal periods in the Main Concourse.