

North Carolina Association of Municipal Electric Systems Rocky Mount Event Center, Rocky Mount, NC

May 13th-15th, 2025

Tuesday, May 13th

8:00 AM Golf Tournament Check-in – Belmont Lake Golf Club
201 Belmont Club Way, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

9:00 AM Sporting Clay Check-in Hunter's Point Sporting Clays
506 Decoy Drive, Washington, NC 27889

9:00 AM Golf Tournament- Belmont Creek Golf Club, Rocky Mount NC

3:00-5:00 PM Vendor Check-in & Set Up (NCAMES Registration Desk at
Rocky Mount Event Center)

Wednesday, May 14th

7:00 AM-3:00 PM Participant Check-in – NCAMES Registration Desk

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Welcome to the Conference
Mayor Roberson- City of Rocky Mount
North Field House

8:30 AM-9:00 AM General Session- Highway Safety
North Carolina Highway Patrol, Scott Baker
North Field House

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Break

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM General Session- Supply Chain
Wesco Brady
North Field House

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM General Session- Cable Stripping / Splicing
Shane Ashby, TE & Jordan Gray, Okonite
North Field House

10:45 AM – 4:00 PM Vendor Area Opens
North Field House

12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM Vendor Lunch/Door Prizes/Golf/Sporting Clay Awards
North Field House

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Breakout Session #1 – Technical Session
Grid Resiliency/Energy Storage
Ian Rice, Wesco
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 2

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM Breakout Session # 1A – Field Session
Fall Safety/Climbing Gear – Regulation Updates & Training
Wade Summerlin & Chris Rogers Utility Service Agency
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 3

1:30 PM – 2:00 PM Breakout Session #1B – Field Session
In-Field Testing Equipment
CJ Johnson & Allen Denning, Hubbell
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 3

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM Break

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2:15 PM – 3:15 PM Break Out Session #2 Technical Session
Utilizing Satellites + Machine Learning for Vegetation Management
Shawn Niebler, AiDash
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 2

2:15 PM – 2:45 PM Break Out Session #2A – Field Session
Safety Roundtable/Electricities Safety and Training
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 3

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM Break Out Session #2B
Self Study time for Apprentice Test
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 3

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM Break

3:30 PM – 4:15 PM Break Out Session #3 – Technical Session
Why Grid Reliability Demands New Approaches and Tools
James Hobbs, Safegrid
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 2

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM Break Out Session #3A – Field Session
Apprentice Written Test- Electricities Staff
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 3

4:15 PM – 4:45 PM Break Out Session # 3B – Field Session
Rodeo Event/Mutual Aid Event Discussion
Darryl Strother & Ken Weatherman
Edgecombe Meeting Rm 2

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Utilities Directors Dinner Hosted by Electricities
Lilyann's Steakhouse at 139 Gateway Blvd

Thursday, May 15th

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM Judges Meeting & Breakfast - **Mandatory for all Judges- Rodeo**

8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon Rodeo Events – Adjacent to the Gateway Convention Center

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch @ Rodeo Site – Lunch available for purchase or voucher

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Rodeo Events Resume

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Dinner/Safety Awards/ Rodeo Awards/Hall of fame
Safety Awards-Electricities
Gateway Convention Center

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