



# 2022 WESTERN REGIONAL GAS CONFERENCE



TUESDAY, AUGUST 23	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24
7:00 – 8:00 AM <b>REGISTRATION &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS</b>	
<p>8:00 – 8:15 AM</p> <p><b>WELCOME!</b></p> <p><b>Bill Parry – Southwest Gas Corporation</b>  <b>Director, Western Regional Gas Association</b>          (Arizona Ballroom)</p>	<p>7:30 – 8:15 AM</p> <p><b>WAKE-UP SESSION</b></p> <p><b>Vendor Exhibit Area (Grand Coronado Ballroom Vendor Area)</b></p>
<p>8:15 – 9:00 AM</p> <p><b>Keynote Address: PHMSA &amp; Industry Efforts on the Pipeline Safety Reauthorization Mandates</b>  <b>Alan Mayberry – U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline &amp; Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)</b>          (Arizona Ballroom)</p>	<p>8:15 – 9:00 AM</p> <p><b>Small Gas Operator Perspectives on the PIPES Act Mandates, OQ, and Other Initiatives</b>  <b>Erin Kurilla – American Public Gas Association</b>          (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Pipeline Safety Management Systems – Preparing for a PSMS Regulation</b>  <b>Steve Allen – Energy Worldnet</b>          (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: Material Selection for Impressed Current Cathodic Protection Ground Beds</b>  <b>Charlie Poore – Mesa Products</b>          (Pueblo Room 2)</p>



**Location:** The Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch, 7700 McCormick Parkway, Scottsdale, AZ

**Registration:** Pueblo Room (off main conference area walkway)

**Vendor Set-Up:** Monday, August 22 from 1:00 to 5:00 PM, Grand Coronado Ballroom Vendor Display Area

All presentations will be available for download after the conference at [www.westernregionalgas.org](http://www.westernregionalgas.org)



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<p><b>9:00 – 9:45 AM</b></p> <p><b>Pipeline Safety Rulemaking Updates and Advisories: NPRM, Final Rule and Related Regulatory Activity</b> Cameron Satterthwaite – PHMSA Standards &amp; Rulemaking Division (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Advanced Leak Detection Technology: LDAR and Methane Emission Quantification</b> Alnoor Ebrahim – Southern Cross (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: Recent PHMSA Rule Changes (Gas Transmission RIN 2) and the Impact to Corrosion Control Activities</b> Ryan Buchs – G2 Integrated Solutions Tom Finch – PHMSA (Pueblo Room 2)</p>	<p><b>9:00 – 9:15 AM BREAK &amp; VENDOR AREA RAFFLE (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>9:15 – 10:00 AM</b></p> <p><b>Gas Transmission Rule Compliance with RIN 2 – Operator Objectives</b> DeWitt Burdeaux – RCP Inc. (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>New Solutions for Isolating Distribution Pipelines: ProStopp® DS and PolyStopp® Quick Connect.</b> Ryan Ragsdale – TD Williamson Corporation (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Gas Distribution HCA &amp; Complex Class Location Analysis Using ArcGIS for Line Marker Placements</b> Kris Kerr – G2 Integrated Solutions Jen Brewer – Pacific Gas &amp; Electric (Pueblo Room 2)</p>
<p><b>9:45 – 10:15 AM BREAK &amp; VENDOR AREA RAFFLE (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>10:15 – 11:00 AM</b></p> <p><b>NAPSR-PHMSA Distribution Team Updates for Operators</b> Matt Smith – Illinois Commerce Commission/NAPSR (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Tunable Diode Laser Absorption Spectroscopy Technology for Leak Survey and Advanced Mobile Leak Detection</b> Shawn Gallagher – Heath Consultants (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: AC Modeling – Interference, Modeling &amp; Mitigation</b> Gerald Haynes – Elsyca (Pueblo Room 2)</p>	<p><b>10:00 – 10:15 AM BREAK &amp; VENDOR AREA RAFFLE (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>10:15 – 11:00 AM</b></p> <p><b>Advanced Training Technologies (AR, VR, etc.) for Gas Operators</b> Todd Weidley – GTI Energy (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>PHMSA Western Region Updates, Inspection Results, Compliance Actions</b> Tom Finch – PHMSA Western Region (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Methane Recovery During Purging and Emissions Reduction and Tracking Options (Natural Gas Compression Technology)</b> Rita Hansen – Onboard Dynamics (Pueblo Room 2)</p>



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<p><b>11:00 – 11:15 AM BREAK &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>11:15 AM – 12:00 PM</b></p> <p><b>Incident Updates &amp; Reports: How Operators Can Work with PHMSA When Incidents Occur</b>  <b>Chris Ruhl – PHMSA Accident and Investigation Division</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Methane Emission Reduction and Recovery Technology and Other Updates</b>  <b>Dennis Jarnecke – GTI Energy</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: DC Interference Challenges</b>  <b>Paul Sedlet – Accurate Corrosion Control</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>	<p><b>11:00 – 11:15 AM BREAK &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>11:15 AM – 12:00 PM</b></p> <p><b>Geospatial Analytics for Methane Emission Measurement and Leak Survey</b>  <b>Sean Donegan – Satelytics</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>One Call Perspectives on the 811 Emergency Reports and Updates</b>  <b>Louis Panzer – North Carolina 811</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Pipeline Integrity Threats and Applicable Assessment Methods</b>  <b>Scott Kimery – HDR Engineering</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>
<p><b>12:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCH BREAK (Arizona Room, Raffle in Coronado)</b></p>	<p><b>12:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCH BREAK (Arizona Room, Raffle in Coronado)</b></p>
<p><b>1:30 – 2:15 PM</b></p> <p><b>Pipeline Safety Additional Rulemaking Topics and Questions</b>  <b>Cameron Satterthwaite – PHMSA</b>  <b>Matt Smith – Illinois Commerce Commission</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Using the Picarro System for Section 114 PIPES Act Mandates in Leak Detection and GHG Emission Reduction</b>  <b>Jeff Lukens – Picarro</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: Pipeline Coating Preparation and Application</b>  <b>Tony Blake – B&amp;W Distributors</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p> <p><b>Establishing Pipeline Compliance Program Solutions</b>  <b>Al Giordano – G2 Integrated Solutions</b>            (Board Room)</p>	<p><b>1:30 – 2:15 PM</b></p> <p><b>AGA Updates: Gas Transmission, Class Location, PIPES Act Mandates, etc.</b>  <b>Sonal Patni – American Gas Association</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>OQIP Project Updates: How Does OQ Relate to Incidents? – PHMSA/ State OQ Inspection Perspectives</b>  <b>Warren Miller – Industrial Training Services</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Methane Emission Tracking, Evaluation, and Reporting for Gas Pipelines</b>  <b>Nhan “Barney” Pham – RCP Inc.</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>



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<p><b>2:15 – 2:30 PM BREAK &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>2:30 – 3:15 PM</b></p> <p><b>Review of the Automatic Shutoff/Remote Control Valve Rule</b>  <b>Bryan Frye – Southwest Gas Corporation</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Incident Investigation/Emergency Response Lessons Learned</b>  <b>Tony Tetto – AEGIS Loss Control</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Corrosion Control Track: Application of DC De-couplers in Cathodic Protection Systems</b>  <b>Jay Warner – Dairyland Electrical</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>	<p><b>2:15 – 2:30 PM BREAK &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>2:30 PM – 3:15 PM</b></p> <p><b>Operator Qualification Emerging Topics: New England OQ NPRM – OQ FAQs</b>  <b>Dennis Kuhn – Astar Consultants</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Emergency Response: Integrating First Responders</b>  <b>Lindsay Sander – Sander Resources</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Laboratory Analysis Processes for Material Investigations</b>  <b>Greg Efthimes – Southwest Gas Corporation</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>
<p><b>3:15 – 3:45 PM BREAK &amp; VENDOR EXHIBITS (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>3:45 – 4:30 PM</b></p> <p><b>Pipeline Safety Trust – Expanding the Work of PST, Recent Initiatives</b>  <b>Bill Caram – Pipeline Safety Trust</b>            (Arizona Ballroom)</p> <p><b>Incident Investigation/Emergency Response Workshop/Overview</b>  <b>David Zak – AEGIS Loss Control</b>            (Pueblo Room 1)</p> <p><b>Efficient Use of Coupons and ER Probes</b>  <b>Jeff Didas – Kinder Morgan</b>            (Pueblo Room 2)</p>	<p><b>3:15 PM ADJOURNMENT &amp; GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE (Coronado Vendor Area)</b></p> <p><b>GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE</b></p> <p><b>Please join us in the Grand Coronado Ballroom for a chance to win an Apple MacBook computer! You must be present to win, and your name badge will be your potentially winning ticket!</b></p> <p><i>Note: The agenda is still under construction and will be updated periodically.</i></p>
<p><b>4:30 – 6:00 PM</b></p> <p><b>GET ACQUAINTED NETWORKING RECEPTION – Grand Coronado Ballroom Vendor Area</b></p> <p><b>Join us in the vendor exhibit area for light fare and cocktails as well as our main event door prize raffle drawings! Visit the vendors to collect your chances to win some great prizes including laptop computers, gift cards, outdoor gear, and much more!</b></p>	