2026 SC Environmental Policy and Infrastructure Conference (EPIC) Agenda

Time	Track Type	Transportation Infrastructure Track	Environmental Policy Track
7:30 AM - 8:15 AM		Registration	
8:15 AM - 8:30 AM		Welcome Address	
8:30 AM - 9:20 AM	Morning Keynote	Momentum into Action: Building the Future of Environmental Services in South Carolina — Myra Reece, SCDES	
9:30 AM - 10:20 AM	Breakout Sessions	Cultural Resource Management and Environmental Permitting for Developers — Mechelle Kerns, RES	Advancing Coastal Management in South Carolina: Regulatory Updates and Process Improvements — Chris Stout, SCDES-BCM
10:30 AM - 11:20 AM		Waters of the United States: Meandering Regulatory Riffles, Pools and Runs — Ward Marotti, Spangler Env.	SC Resilient Coastal Communities Collaborative Program — Karen Hardison, SCOR
11:30 AM - Noon		Lunch	
Noon - 1:00 PM	Lunch Keynote	US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Update — David Wright, Chairman USNRC	
1:10 PM - 2:00 PM	Breakout Sessions	State Species Regulatory Update and Bat Surveys 101 — Lorianne Riggin & Hunter Stewart, SCDNR	Applicable Legal Decisions: How Far Does the 401 Water Quality Certification Process Go? — Ethan Ware, Williams Mullen
2:00 PM - 2:20 PM		Networking Break with Exhibitors	
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM	Breakout Sessions	USACE and RRS Implementation — Laura Boos, USACE	Reissuing the NPDES Construction General Permit: Updates, Changes, and Next Steps — John Poole, PE, SCDES
3:30 PM - 4:20PM		Whats Hot in ESO — SCDOT ESO	Beat Your Competition: Strategies that Overcome Environmental Issues During Land Development — Jim Spangler, Spangler Env.