

## State/EPA Environmental Senior Leaders

Denver, CO Meeting

June 7-8, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 am	<p><b>Day 1: Thursday, June 7th</b>  <b>Gathering Time (coffee and light refreshments)</b></p>
8:30 – 8:40 am	<p><b>Agenda Review/Introductions</b> Doug Benevento, Regional Administrator, Region 8</p>
8:40 – 9:00 am	<p><b>Opening Remarks</b>  Doug Benevento, Regional Administrator, Region 8</p>
9:00 – 9:30 am	<p><b>The National Landscape</b></p> <p><b>Session Lead:</b> Doug or Deb</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Connecting the Dots – EPA Strategic Plan, Reform Areas, Metrics, PPAs/PPGs.</p>
9:30 - 10:00 am	<p><b>BREAK</b></p>
10:00 am – 11:30 pm	<p><b>State Director Roundtable Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Session Leads:</b> State Environmental Senior Leaders. Each State has 10 minutes to highlight priorities and pressing issues. Followed by open discussion.</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Information sharing to spark conversations.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Identify common priorities and pressing issues that would benefit from leveraging resources from multiple states/EPA. Identify what role, if any, EPA can play in assisting the states meet their priorities.</p>
11:30 – 12:30 pm	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
12:30 – 1:30 pm	<p><b>EPA Priority Issues</b></p> <p><b>Session Leads:</b> Assistant Regional Administrators for Superfund, Water, Air (10 minutes each). Followed by open discussion.</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Information sharing to spark conversations.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Identify opportunities for further priority alignment and leveraging of resources with multiple states/EPA. Are EPAs priorities relevant to the states? If so how can we work together if not what revisions to them would states suggest?</p>
1:30 – 2:15 pm	<p><b>EPA Enforcement Priorities and Compliance Assurance</b></p> <p><b>Session Leads:</b> Suzanne Bohan, Assistant Regional Administrator, Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Discuss enforcement priorities and additional tools for compliance (e.g. find and fix, self-audit programs, , state-EPA partnerships, environmental results program (e.g. self-certification, tiered inspections based on compliance history, how to evaluate tools outside of enforcement that achieve compliance).</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Establish common expectations for enforcement and compliance assurance.</p>
2:15 – 2:30 pm	<p><b>Break</b></p>

2:30 – 3:30 pm	<p><b>Contaminants of Increasing Concern – Lead, NDMA, PFAS</b></p> <p><b>Session Leads:</b> State – Lead; State - PFAS; EPA- NDMA; Other?</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Share approaches for addressing contaminants of increasing concern and identify contaminants beyond Lead, NDMA and PFAS.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Committ to path forward on coordination and sharing of best practices to address contaminants of increasing concern.</p>
3:30 – 3:40 pm	<p><b>Budget Update</b></p> <p><b>Session Lead:</b> Rick Buhl, Assistant Regional Administrator, Technical and Management Services</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Information sharing.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Set stage for 3:45p session on Budget Issues and State Flexibility.</p>
3:40 – 3:50 pm	<p><b>PPA/PPG Update</b></p> <p><b>Session Lead:</b> Martin Hestmark, Assistant Regional Administrator, Partnerships and Regulatory Assistance</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Information sharing and identifying mechanisms for additional state flexibility</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Set stage for 3:45p session on Budget Issues and State Flexibility.</p>
3:50 – 4:30 pm	<p><b>Budget Issues and State Flexibility</b></p> <p><b>Session Lead:</b> State, TBD</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Share successes and obstacles to realizing the benefits of program and funding flexibility.</p>
4:30 – 4:45 pm	<p><b>Wrap up of Day 1</b></p> <p><b>Session Lead:</b> Doug Benevento, Regional Administrator, Region 8</p>
5:30 pm	<p><b>Dinner at Wynkoop Brewery - 1634 18<sup>th</sup> Street (upstairs)</b></p>

8:00 – 8:30 am	<b>Day 2: Friday, June 8th</b> <b>Gathering Time (coffee and light refreshments)</b>
8:30 – 9:30 am	<b>Cooperative Federalism</b>  <b>Session Lead:</b> State, TBD  <b>Purpose:</b> Discuss what cooperative federalism means for Region 8. What should state oversight look like? What does a more collaborative relationship look like? Under what circumstances should EPA be conducting inspections and taking enforcement actions in programs delegated to the states?  Smart Sectors – a model for cooperative federalism – Patrick Davis  <b>Goal:</b> Identify tangible agreements to define and memorialize the principles of federalism.
9:30 – 10:00 am	<b>State/Tribal/EPA Relationship</b>  <b>Session Lead:</b> State, TBD  <b>Purpose:</b> Discuss State/EPA role in facilitating and maintaining Tribal relationships. Share examples where State/Tribal relationships are strong and opportunities to strengthen relationships.  <b>Goal:</b> Identify actions to be taken to strengthen the State/Tribal/EPA relationship.
10:00 – 10:15 am	<b>BREAK</b>
10:15 – 11:15 am	<b>Metrics and Telling the Story</b>  <b>Session Lead:</b> State, TBD  <b>Purpose:</b> Discuss metrics that demonstrate the totality of state and federal work and the positive impact of our work. Discuss approaches and gaps in risk communication.  <b>Goal:</b> Establish commitments to strengthen communication around telling the story internally and externally. Path forward for more effective risk communication.
11:15 – 11:30 am	<b>Closing Remarks/Adjourn</b>  <b>Session Lead:</b> Doug Benevento, Region Administrator