



**Western Dredging Association - Gulf Coast Chapter
Annual Conference**
“Innovative Partnering for an Expanding Gulf Coast Market”



TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2019

Time	Min.	Event	Speaker/Details
11:00 AM	4 hrs	Golf Tournament Moody Gardens Golf Course	1700 Sydnor Lane Galveston, Texas 77554
1:00 PM	4 hrs	Texas Gulf of Mexico Sediment Harvesting Program Meeting	USACE & TXGLO (Meeting geared towards Dredging Contractors)
3:00 PM	4hrs	Early Registration Available	San Luis Resort
6:00 PM	2 hrs	<u>Icebreaker Social</u> Recognition of Joe Hrametz upcoming Retirement	San Luis Resort

WEDNESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2019

Time	Min.	Event	Speaker/Details
7:30 AM	1 hr	<i>Registration</i>	----
7:30 AM	-	<i>Networking / Breakfast</i>	Breakfast Buffet at San Luis Resort
8:30 AM	10	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Dave Allen President, WEDA Gulf Coast Chapter
8:40 AM	20	FY 2020 Galveston District Commander's Vision	COL Timothy Vail Commander, Galveston District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
9:00 AM	30	USACE - Navigation Budget Overview	Mark Pointon, Navigation Business Manager IWR
9:30 AM	30	American Association of Port Authorities Infrastructure Investment - Gulf Coast Update	Jim Walker Director of Navigation Policy & Legislation
9:30AM	-	Gather to Depart from San Luis to Spouses Event: Cooking Class	
10:00 AM	30	<i>Break</i>	
10:30 AM	60	Presentations by Navigation Managers FY-20 Navigation Program	George Rush, Mobile District Jeff Corbino, New Orleans District Chris Frabotta, Galveston District
11:30 AM	1 hr 30 min	<i>ASCE - Coasts, Oceans, Ports & Rivers Institute Presentation</i>	Lori Brownell, Port Houston Ashley Judith, AECOM
1:00 PM	45	Safety Panel Discussion	Zach Chester, Manson Tim Ekren, Dutra Group Trey Taylor, Matthews Brothers Jason Campbell, GLDD
1:45 PM	20	<i>Break</i>	
2:05 PM	55	New Dredging Equipment	Ancil Taylor, Callan Marine Chuck Broussard, Weeks Zach Chester, Manson Robert Ramsdell, GLDD
3:00 PM	20	Brazos Harbor Island Channel Improvement	Ariel Chavez, Port of Brownsville
3:20 PM	20	Houston Ship Channel Improvement	Richard Ruchhoeft, Port of Houston
3:40 PM	20	Calcasieu Ship Channel Improvement	Regan Brown, Port of Lake Charles
4:00 PM	2hrs	<i>Personal Time & Travel to Texas Sea Port Museum</i>	
6:30 PM	2.5hrs	Dinner At Texas Sea Port Museum 1877 Tall Ship Elissa	
8:00 PM	1hr	Buses start making trips back to San Luis Resort	
After Dinner		<i>Social Networking at Stuttgarden Tavern (pay on your own)</i>	



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THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2019

Time	Min.	Event	Speaker/Details
7:30 AM	1 hr	<i>Registration/Networking / Breakfast</i>	<i>Breakfast Buffet</i>
7:30 AM	1 hr	Women of WEDA Breakfast	Breakfast Buffet
8:30 AM	5	<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Dave Allen President, WEDA Gulf Coast Chapter
8:35 AM	20	Gulf of Mexico Federal Sediment Inventories and Pipeline Issues	Jessica Mallindine Bureau Of Environmental Management
8:55 AM	20	Gulf Coast Regional Sediment Management	Katherine Brutsche Program Manager - ERDC
9:00 AM		Spouses Event: Yoga on the Beach (inclement weather backup at the San Luis Resort)	
9:15 AM	20	Coastal Protection Restoration Authority Program Update	Maury Chatellier CPRA, Chief of Project Management
9:35 AM	25	Break	
10:00 AM	20	Navigation of the Waterway	J.J. Plunkett, Houston Pilots Steve Nerheim, VTS - U.S. Coast Guard
10:20 AM	45	Navigation Planning Studies Future Dredging Requirements	Travis Creel, New Orleans District Ashley Kleinschrodt, Mobile District Sharon Tirpak, Galveston District
11:05 AM	30	New Work Federal Projects	Sharon Tirpak, Cedar Bayou Corpus Christi Deepening Sabine-Neches Waterway Deepening
11:35 AM	1 hr 25 min	Lunch Buffet	
11:45 AM	45	WEDA - Gulf Coast Chapter Meeting	Lunch Meeting
1:00 PM	30	Dredge Quality Management (DQM) Implementation on Hydraulic Pipeline Dredges	Jesse Hall National Dredge Quality Management Program
1:30 PM	30	Offshore Disposal New Limits on Dredging	Lisa Finn, Galveston District
2:00 PM	10	Closing Comments	WEDA - Gulf Coast Chapter Board
End of Conference			