

# 2024 ARC CONFERENCE TOPICS

Subject to revisions

## Monday, September 9, 2024

11:00 AM	<b>Conference Registration</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Golf Tournament: Balboa Golf Course, Hot Springs Village, AR (Registration: 8:00 AM)</b>
12:30 PM	<b>Tour: Mt. Valley Water / Garland County Landfill</b>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<b>Exhibitor Setup</b>
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<b>DEQ Recycling Meeting</b>
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM	<b>Welcome Reception – Mainline Bar, Cornhole Tournament</b>

## Tuesday, September 10, 2024

7:30 AM	<b>Registration</b>
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	<b>Continental Breakfast w/Exhibitors</b>
8:30 AM	<b>Welcome: Harold Ford, ARC President</b>
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	<b>Keynote Address: Todd Marty, Sr. Director of Sustainability – Coca-Cola Consolidated</b>
9:15 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Break w/Exhibitors</b>

## Sessions

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	<b>Session (A) Navigating Complexities of Recycling in Arkansas</b> Moderator -Harold Ford, Director, Sanitation (Retired) – N. Little Rock Craig Jones, County Judge – St. Francis County Larry Bryant, Mayor – Forrest City	<b>Session (A-1) Producer Responsibility and Flexible Plastic Film Packaging</b> Moderator: Al Drinkwater, President – Town & Country Services Vincent Leray, Grant Development Manager – The Recycling Partnership Rachel Setzke, Sr Policy and Research Associate – Eco-Cycle Apurupa Gorthi, Sr. Manager, Plastics Recycling Engineer – The Recycling Partnership
11:15 AM - 12:45 PM	<b>Awards Luncheon</b> MC: Bobby Fanning, Rep. – Rubicon <b>Sponsorship &amp; Presentations</b> Speaker: Wes Ward, Secretary – Arkansas Department of Agriculture	
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM	<b>Plenary Session (B) Restoring Confidence in Recycling</b> Moderator: Tiffany Dunn, Executive Director – Recycle Saline Chaz Miller, CEO – Miller Recycling Associates Vincent Leray, Grant Development Manager – The Recycling Partnership	
2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	<b>Break w/Exhibitors</b>	
2:30 PM - 3:45 PM	<b>Session (C) Sustainability Programs</b> Moderator: Suzanne Smith-Hirrel – UofA Cooperative Extension Service (Retired) Lee Chalmers, NWA Recycles Coordinator – Northwest Arkansas Council Jacob Stern, VP, RNG Product Delivery – Montrose Environmental Group	<b>Session (C-1) C &amp; D Diversion and Recycling</b> Moderator: Kendrick Ketchum, Municipal Marketing – Manager – Waste Connections Don Gentilcore, Area Director of Disposal Operations – Waste Management Jeff Hood, Public Works Dir – City of Wynne Kory Ward, Fire Chief – City of Wynne
3:45 PM - 4:00 PM	<b>Break</b>	
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	<b>Session (D) How to Prepare Request for Proposals</b> Moderator: Randy Pierce, Managing Partner of Insight Environmental – G.L. Inc Jamie Vernon, Public Sector Manager – Waste Management Shane Knight, President & CEO – Greater Bryant Chamber of Commerce	<b>Session (D-1) Future of Solid Waste Vehicles (EV)</b> Moderator: Robert Mooney, Sales Representative – River City Hydraulics John Osterkamp, Director of Sales – Environmental Solutions Group Matt Harris, Sr. Sales Manager – Marathon
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	<b>Reception with Exhibitors</b> Evening in Hot Springs on your Own	

## Wednesday, September 11, 2024

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	<b>Exhibit Hall Opens</b>
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	<b>Breakfast (Buffet)</b>
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Breakfast Speaker: Chaz Miller, CEO - Miller Recycling Associates</b>
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Break in the Exhibit Hall (Exhibitor interaction)

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10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Session (E) Why is Carbon a Big Deal??</b> Moderator: Tresa Adair, Principal & VP Sustainability – Harbor Environmental Liz Harder, Director, Sustainability – Harbor Environmental Sushil Rajagopalan, PhD, Sr. Sustainability, Strategist – Harbor Environmental Jody Hardin, CEO – Carbon Chicken Project, LLC Gary Freymiller, Consultant
11:30 AM	<b>Drawing – Must be present in Session (E) to win / Close / ARC Annual Meeting</b>