

No Regularly Scheduled CEMS in August

After a busy summer including a lunch presentation at June's Geotech Field Days, and the upcoming Golf Tournament in late July, CEMS is not hosting an event in August, to give our Board and Committee Members extra time to finalize our September 15th Fall Conference.

We will be returning to a regular schedule of monthly programs for the second Tuesday of each month for October, November, and December. Please consider sponsoring and registering for our upcoming Fall Conference and monthly programs.

**Fall Conference Sponsorship and
Registration**

2026 Annual CEMS Scholarship Golf Tournament

8am Shotgun Start



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Monday, July 27th, 2026



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Announcing Sponsorship and Exhibitor Opportunities for the Colorado Environmental Management Society 2026 Fall Conference

Conference Schedule: Tuesday, September 15, 2026 8:30am - 5:30pm

Conference Location: CSU Spur at the National Western Complex

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The CEMS Fall Conference, themed “From Policy to Practice: Environmental Leadership in 2026,” will bring together professionals and leaders to explore innovative ideas and solutions shaping the future of natural resources, environmental policy, and public health. This year’s event will feature keynote speaker Brad Udall and a special panel on Colorado water challenges moderated by Jason Ullmann.



Visit our website www.coems.org to register

or email JulianaReidatadmin@coems.org with contact information and sponsorship level

Early Bird Registration

Through August 31, 2026

Regular Registration

September 1 - September 13, 2026

From the Board...Peter Jaacks, Jewell Jimmerson Natural Resources Law LLC

As we move into the second half of the year, the Board is excited about the opportunities ahead for CEMS members to connect, learn, and support one another. One of CEMS's greatest strengths has always been the willingness of our members to share their knowledge and participate in the professional community, and we've been fortunate to see that spirit reflected in the success of our recent programs and events. Thank you to everyone who has attended a luncheon, volunteered, or helped make these events a success.

Our next major event is the annual CEMS Golf Tournament, and we hope you'll join us for one of our favorite traditions of the year. The tournament is much more than a day on the course, it's an opportunity to reconnect with colleagues, welcome new members, and support the Society's scholarship program. Whether you're playing, sponsoring a hole, or simply joining us for the networking afterward, your participation helps make this event a success and directly supports CEMS's mission. If you haven't registered yet, there's still time, and we encourage you to invite a coworker or client to join you.

The Board is always looking for ways to improve CEMS and ensure our programming reflects the interests of our members. If there are topics you'd like to see covered, speakers you'd recommend, or networking opportunities you'd enjoy, please don't hesitate to reach out. Your feedback and your participation are what keep CEMS a vibrant and valuable organization.

Thank you for your continued support of CEMS. We look forward to seeing many of you at the Golf Tournament and again later this year at the Fall Conference.

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Presentation Opportunities for Upcoming CEMS Meetings

The CEMS Program Committee is currently searching for "interesting, topical and informative" presentations for our meetings in 2026. This is a great opportunity to network with your peers, share information and technology, and become more involved with the environmental community. CEMS is interested in a variety of topics relevant to environmental and natural resources professionals. Each monthly presentation is roughly 50 minutes, followed by a question-and-answer period.

If you or someone you know is interested in presenting at our monthly meetings, or our annual conference, please feel free to contact our Programs Committee: Chairperson Michael Whelan at mwhelan@anchorqea.com.

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CEMS REGULATORY UPDATE
FEDERAL AND STATE ACTIONS IMPACTING COLORADO
By Peter D. Jaacks
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Colorado Finalizes Priority Toxic Air Contaminant Emission Standards.

Following more than a year of stakeholder meetings and rulemaking, the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission (AQCC) has finalized the state's first emission control standards for Priority Toxic Air Contaminants (PTACs). The regulations, [which became effective](#) June 14, establish pollutant-specific control requirements for benzene, formaldehyde, ethylene oxide, hexavalent chromium compounds, and hydrogen sulfide. The rules also incorporate new monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements, with implementation timelines varying by pollutant and source type. Approximately 300 facilities are expected to be affected, including petroleum refineries, chrome plating operations, facilities operating stationary combustion equipment, and certain agricultural operations.

AQCC Continues Rulemaking Activity on Oil and Gas and Air Quality Regulations

The AQCC continues an active [rulemaking schedule](#) this summer, with hearings scheduled in July on several regulations affecting Colorado's regulated community. Topics include proposed revisions to Regulation No. 29 governing lawn and garden equipment emissions, updates to stationary source performance standards and hazardous air pollutant regulations, revisions to procedural rules, and updates to the state's PM10 maintenance plan. These hearings follow several significant rulemakings completed earlier this year involving air permitting, emissions reporting, and oil and gas operations.

Colorado Continues Alignment of Oil and Gas Air Regulations with Federal Methane Standards

Earlier this spring, revisions to Colorado's Regulation No. 7 [became effective](#), aligning portions of the state's oil and gas air quality regulations with EPA's existing-source methane emission guidelines (EG OOOOc). The revisions clarify leak detection and repair requirements, compressor standards, emissions reporting provisions, and greenhouse gas intensity compliance timelines for certain operators. Although much of Colorado's oil and gas program already exceeded federal requirements, these revisions provide additional consistency between state and federal programs while clarifying compliance expectations for operators.

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