



# 2024 Conference Call for Presentations



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## 2024 AEP State Conference Session Track Summaries

Land and Sea: Cities of Tomorrow.

The JW Marriott Anaheim,  
March 24-27, 2024.

**Session Track Name: “A Path through the Orange Groves” (Subject - Case Studies/Best Practices)**

This track will include sessions consisting of case studies and best practices related to the technical components of projects. Case studies presented here will identify the specific challenge a project faced, why or how that project’s conditions created the challenge, and how the challenge was overcome. Case studies can span lessons learned for any resource area, from transportation to air quality to cultural resources. These sessions will get “into the weeds” on the topic and presenters will provide a path through to other side with successful delivery and lessons learned. Sessions in this track are intended for participants well-versed in the topic.

**Session Track Name: “Surfing the Waves” (Subject – CEQA & Regulatory Updates)**

Within the last year, CEQA has continued to rapidly change and evolve presenting a whole new set of legal and analytical challenges. This session will provide an update on the most recent CEQA developments and trends and help you prepare for the tidal wave of regulations intended to improve CEQA’s application that has resulted in unintended consequences.

**Session Track Name: “Bracing for New Heights” (Subject – Housing & Infrastructure)**

This track will tackle the ever evolving and dizzying world of housing and infrastructure regulations which encompasses a broad array of potential topics, including infill, densification, federal infrastructure funding, and more. This track takes a closer look at some of the most significant laws that the Legislature passed, as well as emerging topics, streamlining pathways, and case studies of interesting projects that have implemented a new CEQA approach.

**Session Track Name: “Making a Splash” (Subject – Adaptation/Resiliency)**

California is among the most geographically diverse states, with majestic mountains and forest, breathtaking coastal ranges, fertile valleys and harsh deserts. Wildfires, sea level rise, flooding, and landslides require us to change how we live, plan, and build near these most important and beautiful natural resources. This tract will take a deep dive all manner of adaptation and resiliency efforts undertaken statewide to help protect against increasing risks.

**Session Track Name: “Winding Roads” (Subject – Air Quality/GHG/VMT)**

This track is designed to bring together experts to navigate emerging topics and best practices for Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Analysis, Vehicle Miles Traveled and related Environmental Justice concerns in CEQA context. These sessions will share the twists and turns encountered in the process of incorporating these topics into CEQA analysis and prepare you for what lies ahead.

**Single/Standing Sessions:**

CEQA Update (Wednesday) • Law and Ethics • Climate Change Committee Session (Sunday) • Student/Young Professionals • DEI (placeholder for now)

Please submit your abstract online. [Click here](#)

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**Submittal Deadline: September 30, 2023**

**Disclaimer Clause:** Only online abstracts will be accepted. No abstracts will be accepted after the deadline date. If your abstract is accepted, no changes can be made except for addition or changes to speakers and speaker bios.