Red River Valley Association

100th Annual Convention

Agenda

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Hilton Hotel
104 Market Street, Shreveport, LA
Room A & B

12:00 – 5:00 pm	Registration
1:00 pm	UA Coast Guard Maritime Security Meeting
2:00 pm	RRVA Navigation Meeting
3:00 pm	ARRC Navigation Meeting
4:00 pm	Bowie County Levee Meeting

Remington Suite Hotel, Rooftop
220 Travis Street, Shreveport, LA
Shuttle Provided from the Hilton

6:00 pm	Opening Cocktail Party and Heavy Hors d'oeuvres with Special Guests and Entertainment

Thursday, February 26, 2025

Caddo Bossier Port – Host Sponsor
6000 Doug Attaway Boulevard, Shreveport, LA

7:30 – 8:30	Registration Coffee and Pastries
9:00 am	Call to Order – RRVA President, Mr. Dan York Color Guard – C.E. Byrd High School – JROTC Prayer Welcome – Shreveport Mayor Tom Arceneaux Welcome – Bossier City Mayor Tommy Chandler Welcome – Emily Mott, Executive Director, RRVA
9:30 – 11:00 am	**United States Corps of Engineers** Col. Jeremiah A. Gipson, Vicksburg District, Commander

Lt. Col. Curtis Loftin, Tulsa District, Commander
Col. Calvin A. Kroeger, Fort Worth District, Commander -Invited
Col. Cullen Jones, New Orleans District, Commander- Invited

11:00 am	Networking Break
11:15 am	**Port Progress: Innovations and Insights** Eric England, Caddo Bosser Port
11:45 am	**Assessing Lithium Resources** Kathy Knierim, USGS
12:15 pm	**Lunch** Silver Star Steakhouse Catering
1:15 pm	**Critical Data and Emerging Challenges**: Insights from USGS on Airborne Electromagnetic (AEM) surveys to support groundwater studies. The hydrogeologic framework focuses on geology, hydrogeology and groundwater with implications for surface water interactions crucial for water management. The application also applies to levees and core material. Laura Ruhl-Whittle, US Geological Survey
2:00 pm	**The Future of AI is Already Here!** Jason Ingalls, a renowned expert in his field, will lead a panel discussion with other leading experts on Generative AI. Imagine machines that think creatively and generate new ideas. This is the promise of generative AI, a technology transforming our jobs, business and daily lives. Our panel will explore how generative AI is revolutionizing industries through innovation and efficiency. Additionally, we'll address AI in public institutions, its broader societal implication from future workforce impacts to economic growth and how it will help solve global challenges. **Jason Ingalls**, Ingalls Information Security, LLC, Chief Cyber Security Officer C3 Integrated Solutions **Dr. Lindsay Gouedy**, Executive Director, Sparta Water Commission **Mr. Keith Hanson**, Vanguard Vision Technologies, LLC

Dr. Donna Johnson, Chief Innovation Officer, Louisiana Tech

3:00 pm	**US Army Corps of Engineers Studies in the Red River Valley** Chloride Control Project Draft Deepening from 9 to 12 feet on the existing navigation channel Navigation to SW Arkansas Economic Study for Navigation to Dennison, Texas
3:30 pm	Networking Break
3:30 pm	**Goldcrest Farms – What the Red River contributes to one of the largest farms in America.** Shane Bray, Manager
3:45 pm	**Navigating Crazy Weather Patterns: Too much or too little? How the weather affects water resources and more.** Emilie Nipper, Senior Service Hydrologist National Weather Service
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