



# FORUM ON FEMA'S BRIC PROGRAM

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

## Breakfast Reception

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

## BRIC Speaker Session

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

- **9:00 AM – Welcome Remarks**  
[Jimi Grande](#), SVP of Government Affairs, NAMIC
- **9:05 AM – U.S. Chamber Welcome**  
[Ed Mortimer](#), Vice President, Transportation and Infrastructure, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- **9:10 AM – Former FEMA Administrator Remarks**  
Introduction by Jeff Feid, Loss Mitigation Administrator, State Farm  
Keynote by [R. David Paulison](#), Former Administrator, FEMA
- **9:25 AM – NEMA Remarks**  
Introduction by [Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition  
Keynote by [Chris Rodriguez](#), Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA)
- **9:40 AM – Local Emergency Management Remarks**  
Introduction by [Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition  
Keynote by [Nick Crossley](#), Director, Hamilton County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency | Immediate Past President, IAEM
- **9:55 AM – Federal Emergency Management Agency Remarks**  
Introduction by [Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition  
Keynote by [David Maurstad](#), Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation, FEMA
- **10:10 AM – Closing**  
[Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition

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## Panel Discussions

10:15 AM – 12:25 PM

Moderated by [Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition

### 10:15 AM – BRIC Best Practices Discussion

#### Identifying and Qualifying for FEMA's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant Program

*This one-on-one conversation hosted by Pamela Williams centers on industry priorities concerning grant submissions, state-led grant/incentive programs, and more.*

#### Featuring:

- [Katherine Fox](#), Assistant Administrator, FIMA, FEMA
- Q&A Session

### 10:45 AM – State and Local Mitigation Priorities Panel

#### Identifying State and Local Mitigation Priorities

*This panel features state and local stakeholders and emergency management and resiliency experts. It focuses on identifying and understanding this group's mitigation and resilience goals, including managing different state, local, and regional challenges.*

#### Panelists:

- [Bryan Koon](#), VP of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, IEM
- [Chris Rodriguez](#), Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA)
- [Nick Crossley](#), Director, Hamilton County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency | Immediate Past President, IAEM

### 11:15 AM – Building Science & Safe Homes Panel

#### Case Studies: Tested Building Science and Safe Homes

*This panel explores use cases for achieving residential resilience, including topics like wind retrofitting, wildfire resilience, and more.*

#### Panelists:

- [Roy Wright](#), President & CEO, IBHS
- [Eric Nelson](#), Senior Vice President, CAT Strategy & Analysis
- [Jerry Workman](#), Deputy Commissioner, Alabama Department of Insurance

### 11:50 AM – Public Infrastructure Panel

#### Case Studies: Public Infrastructure

*This panel explores use cases for achieving resilience in public infrastructure, including the power and water lifelines and beyond.*

#### Panelists:

- [Seth Siegel](#), Author, "Troubled Water: What's Wrong with What We Drink"
- [Keith Kropf](#), P.E., Former Director of Engineering, Florida Keys Electric Cooperative
- [Thomas Smith](#), Executive Director, American Society of Civil Engineers

## Concluding Forum Remarks

12:25 - 12:30 PM

- 12:25 PM - Closing Remarks & Looking Ahead to Future Forums  
[Pamela Williams](#), Executive Director, BuildStrong Coalition

## Invitation Only Roundtable

12:30 - 1:30 PM