2026 FBA ANNUAL BROWNFIELDS CONFERENCE

AC Hotel by Marriott Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol

September 14-17, 2026

Monday, September 14

1:00 – 5:30pm **Exhibition Setup | Pre-function Area**
5:30 – 6:30pm **Welcome Reception | Exhibit Area**

Tuesday, September 15

8:00 – 9:00am **Continental Breakfast | Exhibit Area**

9:00 – 9:30am **Welcome | Michael Larson, FBA President | Parkview at Cascades**
9:30 – 10:30am **Concurrent Sessions**

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Cascades III	**Brownfields 101, Plus (CLE)**	**Moderator: Belinda Richard,** Terracon Consultants **Speakers: Scott Sweeney and Justin Cross,** Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP); **Nichole Rodgers,** Terracon Consultants
Cascades IV & V	**Brownfields Reimagined: Where Sustainability, Clean Energy, and Community Resilience Meet**	**Speakers: Melissa Schick** and **Kirk Blevins**, SCS Engineers

10:30 – 10:45am **Break | Exhibit Area**
10:45 – 11:45am **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**VCTC 101, Plus (CLE)** **Navigating Dividing a Brownfield Site from A Whole Property for Closure (CLE)**	**Moderator: Amy Worsham,** Stantec **Speakers: Scott Sweeney and Courtney Johnstone,** Florida Department of Environmental Protection **Speaker: Brandon McBath,** Geosyntec

Cascades IV & V	**Addressing the Challenge Posed by Biosolids and a Proposed Regulatory Fix** **Passive Flux Meters as a High-Resolution Contaminant Distribution Characterization Too**	**Speaker: Nicholas Albergo,** GHD **Speaker**: **Christian Parke,** ReGenesis

11:45 – 1:30pm **Lunch | Parkview at Cascades | John Truitt, FDEP Deputy Secretary for Regulatory Programs**

1:30 – 2:30pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Parkview at Cascades	**Brownfields Jeopardy!! (CLE)**	**Moderators: Michael Sznapstajler, Jessica Gow, Kelsey Hansen-Walter,** Cobb Cole
Cascades IV & V	**From Contaminated to Cash-Flowing: Interplay between Federal Grants, State Grants and BSRAs (CLE)**	**Speakers: Angellica Rodriguez-Baz, Nicole Kovach**, Terracon Consultants**; Kristina Nelson,** Finger, Nelson & Maguire

2:30 – 3:00pm **Break | Exhibit Area – Dessert Served**
3:00 – 4:00pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**Best Hopes and Worst Fears for Florida's 2025 Brownfields Legislation (CS/HB 733) (CLE)** **How SB 848 (Water Quality Enhancement Areas) can benefit Brownfield Areas and Sites (CLE)**	**Speaker: Brittney Odom**, SCS Engineers **Speaker: Jeff Peters,** RES
Cascades IV & V	**The Latest in Cleanup & Redevelopment Streamlining & Regulation to Accelerate Data Center Siting (CLE)** **Florida's Data Center Future: The Impact of S.B. 484**	**Speaker: Jason Lichtstein,** Akerman LLP **Speakers: Michael Larson, Robyn Neely,** Akerman LLP

4:15 –5:15pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**The past and the future. A new vision for the Florida Brownfields Program (CLE)**	**Speakers: Aaron Getchell,** HALFF**; Jorge Caspary,** Onterris**; Travis Hearne,** Mechanik Nuccio Hearne & Silvestri, P.A.
Cascades IV & V	**Integrating Vapor Intrusion Mitigation into Successful Brownfield Redevelopment (CLE)** **Optimizing Insurance for Today's Brownfield Redevelopments (CLE)**	**Speakers: Shane M. Tabor,** EPRO Services.**; Dale J. Haase,** SCS Engineers **Speaker: Jessica Biggs,** Hylant

5:30 –7:30pm **Exhibitor Reception | Exhibit Area |Photo Booth (take home a fun photo) and THEY Improv Comedy Show!!**

Wednesday, September 16 -- Community Day

8:00 – 9:00am **Continental Breakfast | Exhibit Area**
9:00 – 10:00am **Concurrent Sessions**

Parkview at Cascades	**Community Forum: Community Day and Equity Listening Session**	**Moderators**: **Miles Ballogg**, EnSafe; **Belinda Williams-Collins; Ken Pinnix,** FBA Foundation**; Cynthia Peurifoy,** EPA retired
Cascades IV & V	**A Field Demonstration Study: Activated Carbon-Based Amendment Used to Remediate PFAS Source Soil at an Army Airfield** **Navigating the DRC Jungle (CLE)**	**Moderator: Lindsey Brown,** Stantec **Speaker**: **Christian Parke,** ReGenesis **Speakers: Dan Nedvidek**, NOVA Engineering and Environmental; **Cannon Hearne**, Mechanik Nuccio Hearne & Silvestri, P.A.

10:00 – 10:30am **Break | Exhibit Area**
10:30 – 11:30am **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**Brownfields to Healthfields as a Resiliency Strategy** **Organizing Around Brownfields Redevelopment in North Port St. Joe, Florida**	**Speaker**: **Miles Ballogg**, EnSafe **Speaker: Abby Vidmar,** University of South Florida
Cascades IV & V	**How State Brownfield Programs Work Across the South (CLE)**	**Speakers: Jason Lichtstein.** Akerman LLP**; Trey Hess,** PPM Consultants

11:45am – 1:30pm **Lunch | Parkview at Cascades |Tallahassee Mayor John E. Dailey | Awards Ceremony**
1:30 – 2:30pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**The Next Chapter in Affected Communities: Education and Workforce Development as a Catalyst for Opportunity**	**Moderator: Miles Ballogg,** Ensafe **Speakers: Alexandra Hughes,** Eco Ed Impact Corp.; **David Casavant**, Sustainable Workplace Alliance (SWA); **David Jones**, Corporation to Develop Communities of Tampa
Cascades IV & V	**Cascade Park – Assessment, Remediation, and Regulatory Closure of the Former Manufactured Gas Plant (CLE)**	**Moderator: Ralph DeMeo,** Adams & Reese **Speakers: Joe Applegate**, Geosyntec**; F. Joseph Ullo, Jr**., Carlton Fields; **Alissa Meyers,** City of Tallahassee**; Jorge Caspary,** Onterris

2:30 – 3:00pm **Break | Exhibit Area—Dessert Served**
3:00 – 4:00pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**A Resources Roundtable for Brownfield Communities**	**Moderator**: **Sierra Taliaferro**, Environmental Protection Network **Speakers**: Elise **Molleur**, NJIT TAB; **Scott Sweeney**, FDEP; **Brian Gross**, US EPA; **Onyeka Ugochukwu**, FSU Brownfields Revitalization Anti-Displacement Strategies (BRADS) Program; **Kelly Crain;** City of Tallahassee

Cascades IV & V	**From Cleanup to Community: How Brownfields Redevelopment, Private Investment, and Historic Preservation Shaped Downtown Tallahassee (CLE)**	**Speakers: Shawn McIntyre,** NAP Florida LLC; **Laura Barrett**, Tetra Tech

4:15 – 5:15pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**Beyond the ESA: Additional Services Available to Brownfield Grant Recipients**	**Speakers: Angellica Rodriguez-Baz, Frank Powell, Ryan Sipe Natalie Barfield,** Terracon Consultants**; Michelle Humowiecki,** City of Tallahassee
Meet at FBA Registration	**Walking tour of Cascades Park ending with reception at Amicus Brewing** ***Sign up at FBA Registration Desk**	**Tour Leader: Autumn Calder,** Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency

5:30 – 7:00pm **Reception at Amicus Brewing (across the street from AC Hotel)**

Thursday, September 17

8:00 – 9:00am **Continental Breakfast | Exhibit Area**
9:00 – 10:00am **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**Getting Grant Ready: A NJIT TAB Grant-Writing Workshop**	**Speaker**: **Elise Molleur**, NJIT
Moved to FAMU –no transportation provided	**Navigating the Brownfield Process: Community-Informed Lessons Learned from Stakeholder Engagement, Environmental Assessment Activities, Information Sharing, and Efforts to Identify Pathways Toward Revitalization (CLE)**	**Speakers: Zachary White,** Doctoral Candidate, Florida A&M University; **Professor Richard Schulterbrandt Gragg III, Ph.D.,** Florida A&M University**; Jessica Paul and Jennifer Paul,** Whitted Historic Community

10:15 – 11:15am **Concurrent Sessions**

Cascades III	**Breaking Brownfields: Solving Real-World Problems**	**Speakers**: **Elise Molleur**, NJIT and **Community Representatives**
Cascades IV & V	**Tomorrow's Rules of the Road (CLE)** Key insights on re-opening Chapter 62-777, background contamination, benzo-a-pyrene alternative soil cleanup target level, PFAS, Chapter 62-524 rulemaking, and potential FDEP priorities under a new administration	**Moderator: F. Joseph Ullo, Jr.,** Carlton Fields **Speakers**: **Aaron Getchell**, HALFF; **Janet Peterson**, Apex Companies LLC; **Michael Spievack**, Langan; **Ralph DeMeo** and **Jeff Littlejohn**, Adams & Reese

CLE = Florida Attorney Credits
FL PE credits will also be awarded