



iREV WORKSHOP – INTEGRATING ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES INTO EMERGENCY PLANNING

In partnership with the Rhode Island Annual Preparedness Conference

Community College of Rhode Island Knight Campus
400 East Ave, Warwick, RI, 02886
Thursday, August 11, 2016
10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP SUMMARY

When petroleum is in short supply, alternative fuel vehicles can provide needed transportation services and help communities prepare for and recover from disaster. The Initiative for Resiliency in Energy through Vehicles (iREV) is a nation-wide project that has developed resources that emergency planners can use to integrate alternative fuel vehicles into emergency planning and response activities. At the iREV workshop, participants will learn about how alternative fuel vehicles have been used successfully in emergencies, review new resources and tools for emergency planners, network with energy assurance and alternative fuel stakeholders, and explore opportunities for alternative fuels to be integrated into emergency planning and response.

AGENDA

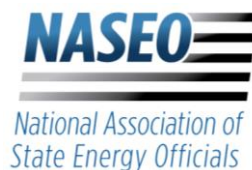
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. – **Welcome and Introductions**

- *Wendy Lucht, Ocean State Clean Cities Coordinator, University of Rhode Island Transportation Center*

10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. – **Fuel Diversity and Energy Assurance**

A diverse fuel supply can help communities effectively operate during and after large-scale emergencies. This session will highlight how alternative fuels can strengthen energy assurance and emergency preparedness, and will provide an overview of the Initiative for Resiliency in Energy through Vehicles (iREV).

- *Steve Russell, Alternative Transportation Program Coordinator and Clean Cities Coordinator, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources*



11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. – **Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Emergency Response: Best Practices from Cities and States**

Alternative fuel vehicles can boost community resilience and accelerate recovery in the wake of natural and man-made disasters. During this session, representatives from communities throughout the Northeast will share examples of how their cities have used natural gas, propane, electric, and biodiesel vehicles during emergencies.

- *Chuck Feinberg, Chairman and DOE Coordinator, New Jersey Clean Cities Coalition*
- *Keith Kerman, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Fleet Officer, New York City Department of Citywide Administrative Services*
- *Peter Crossan, Fleet and Compliance Manager, Boston Public Schools Department of Transportation*
- *Bethany Whitaker, Senior Consultant, Vermont Energy Investment Corporation*

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – **Lunch**

1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. – **Tools for Emergency Managers**

iREV and other programs offer tools and resources to help emergency managers prepare for and recover from disasters. This session will feature an interactive demonstration of the “iREV Tracking Tool,” an online program that can help emergency managers identify where alternative fuel vehicles are housed within their jurisdictions and run planning simulations. This session will also feature an overview of the Department of Energy’s Clean Cities Program, and explore ways that Clean Cities Coordinators can provide needed data and information to emergency planners.

- *Thomas Mihalic, Software Engineer, Concurrent Technologies Corporation*
- *Chuck Feinberg, Chairman and DOE Coordinator, New Jersey Clean Cities Coalition*
- *Barry Carr, Coordinator, Clean Communities of Central New York*

3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. – **Opportunities to Incorporate AFVs into the Emergency Planning Process**

Integrating alternative fuel vehicles into the emergency planning process will help cities and states diversify their fleet and build system resiliency. This session will provide an overview of how states and cities have incorporated alternative fuel vehicles into their emergency plans, and explore opportunities for additional technical assistance through iREV.

- *Ruth Horton, Principal, RM Horton Consulting*
- *Cassie Powers, Program Manager, NASEO*

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – **Wrap-up**

