



Annual Conference 2025

November 18–20

Boise, Idaho

Jack's Urban Meeting Place (JUMP)

1000 W Myrtle St, Boise, ID 83702

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Annual Conference Overview

Tuesday, November 18

Time	Session/Topic	Description
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Reception	Enjoy networking and refreshments during the opening night reception.

Wednesday, November 19

Time	Session/Topic	Description
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast/Registration	Breakfast with Vendors
9:00 AM - 9:10 AM	Welcome - UAFA	Welcome by UAFA Board of Directors and Executive Director
9:10 AM - 9:20 AM	Welcome - Local FD- Boise Fire	Mark Niemeyer, Chief Boise Fire Department
9:20 AM - 9:40 AM	NASF - State Focus	NASF - State Focus
9:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Federal Fire Focus - USFS - DOI	Sarah Fischer - USFS, Grant Beebe - BLM
10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Government Panel Lessons Learned/Looking to Future	DOI and USFS on the upcoming changes in federal wildland fire organizations.
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	Break	Break with Vendors
11:15 AM - 11:35 AM	Future Of Wildfire - Federal - Congress	Congressional focus of Wildland Fire - Congressional members/staff invited
11:35 AM - 11:50 AM	Tech Session 1	Developing technology in wildland fire
11:50 AM - 12:35 PM	Panel Discussion on Emerging Trends and Technologies	Sponsor Discussions on products, trends and developments in Aerial Firefighting.
12:35 PM - 1:35 PM	Lunch	Lunch with Vendors
1:35 PM - 1:50 PM	Leg Focus	Upcoming Legislation in wildland fire
1:50 PM - 2:10 PM	Industry Health	State of the Aerial Fire Industry - challenges, successes and opportunities
2:10 PM - 2:55 PM	Industry Behind the Curtain	What happens in industry that is not known by agencies or public.
2:55 PM - 3:10 PM	Tech Session 2	Developing technology in wildland fire
3:10 PM - 3:40 PM	Break	Break with Vendors
3:40 PM - 4:25 PM	Government Behind the Curtain	What happens in government that is not known by vendors.
4:25 PM - 4:40 PM	Tech Session 3	Developing technology in wildland fire
4:40 PM - 5:10 PM	What We Learned and Closeout	Wrap up and Discussion
5:10 PM - 6:10 PM	Reception	Reception in Exhibit Hall



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Thursday, November 20

Time	Session/Topic	Description
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast In Exhibit Hall	Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
9:00 AM - 9:05 AM	Intro and Overview	Introduction and Overview of the day
9:05 AM - 9:25 AM	UAFA State of the Association Update - Focus For 2026	Executive Director and Board of Directors discussion on UAFA and focus areas.
9:25 AM - 9:40 AM	Standards Of Cover and Future Steps	Discussion and Presentation on status of Standards of Cover and next steps.
9:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Mental Health and Pilots - PHMR	Pilot Mental Health Campaign Presentation and Discussion on Mental Health and Pilots
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Break	Break with Vendors
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM	Owner/Ceo/Gm/Roundtable	Panel Discussion from various leaders on business successes and challenges
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM	Regulation And Leg Update	Regulations update - Federal Acquisition Regulations, FAA regulations, etc.
11:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Q&A And Close Out	Q&A and close out
12:00 PM	Close Out	Close Out
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	Lunch with Vendors
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Exhibitor Move Out	Exhibitor Move Out
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Small Business Discussion	All UAFA members are invited for a round table discussion on Small Business Standards, limitations, future growth and input on industry position.
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Standards and Certification	All UAFA members are invited for a round table discussion on development of standards and subsequent certification program. This will include standards, groups/committees, future steps and desired end goals.