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# IAEM VIII

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*The Executive Board for IAEM meets monthly.*

## IAEM Board Business...

The conference schedule through 2013 has been determined:

- 2011 – Las Vegas, NV
- 2012 – Orlando, FL
- 2013 – Reno, NV

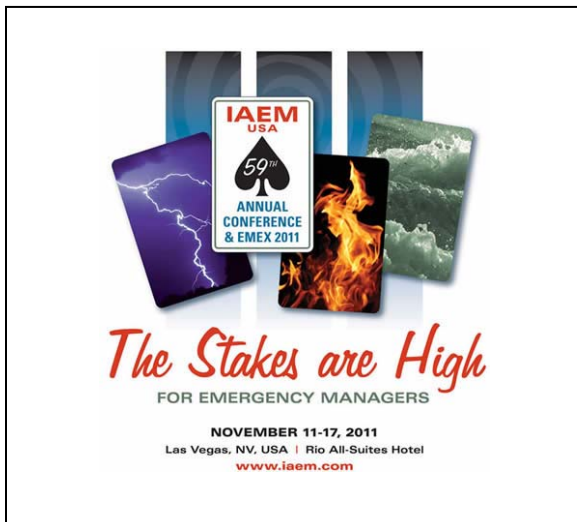


**FEMA's  
Region 8 has  
been saturated  
with disaster  
declarations  
and other  
challenges**

Burleigh County was added Thursday, June 2, to the federal disaster declaration issued by President Obama on May 10 in response to **North Dakota** flooding beginning Feb. 14 and continuing. The following counties were included in the original disaster declaration: Barnes, Benson, Bottineau, Burke, Cass, Cavalier, Dickey, Eddy, Foster, Grand Forks, Grant, Griggs, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McHenry, McIntosh, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Mountrail, Nelson, Pembina, Pierce, Ramsey, Ransom, Renville, Richland, Rolette, Sargent, Sheridan, Steele, Stutsman, Towner, Traill, Walsh, Ward, Wells and Williams. Also included were the Spirit Lake Nation, the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Reservation.

In total, 31 **South Dakota** counties are now eligible for FEMA Public Assistance funding, and one county (Clay) is eligible for emergency protective measures, limited to Direct Federal Assistance under the Public Assistance program. FEMA Public Assistance was originally made available to governments and certain private nonprofit agencies in the following South Dakota counties: Aurora, Beadle, Brookings, Brown, Buffalo, Clark, Codington, Day, Edmunds, Faulk, Grant, Hamlin, Hand, Hughes, Hyde, Jackson, Jerauld, Kingsbury, Lake, Marshall, Miner, Moody, Perkins, Potter, Roberts, Sanborn, Spink, and Sully. Stanley County was added May 31, 2011. Union County was added to the declaration June 8 for Categories A-G.

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**Conference Headquarters Hotel:**

**Rio All Suites Hotel**  
 3700 W. Flamingo Road  
 Las Vegas, NV 89103

**Rate:** Prevailing per diem which currently is \$93/single or double  
**Deadline for Reservations:** This room rate will be honored until **Oct. 11, 2011**, or until the IAEM block is sold out.  
**Call 1-888-746-6955** for reservations. Guests should identify **group code SRIAE11** to secure IAEM's rate

**Regional Updates**



These news updates and other information will be archived on the IAEM Region VIII website:

<http://www.iaem.com/about/membership/regions/region8/region8.htm#News>

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Emergency workers are ferrying supplies to more than 300 people cut off by flooding that is overwhelming **Montana** towns. Roads washed out by the raging Musselshell River recently, briefly left people with no way to get out of a sprawling rural neighborhood near the central Montana town of Roundup. National Weather Service reports declining river levels in most of the state. But any rain may cause flood waters to linger in heavy-hit areas like Roundup. Gov. Brian Schweitzer has estimated flooding has caused more than \$8.6 million in damage across the state since the end of May.

In **Utah**, the snowpack is the largest seen in 10 to 15 years. In early June there is still enough snow to produce a flood scenario; a week of mid 80s will cause flooding. Lower temperatures would drop the threat. Locals are urged not to forget that people need to be extremely cautious around rivers and creeks, which are very cold and running fast. There have been five drowning deaths reported in Utah waterways over the past two weeks.

High-country residents may nervously watch snow melt and rivers rise this week, as smoke from distant fires continues to choke parts of **Colorado**, authorities said Sunday. Cooler temperatures this weekend slowed the melt of a still-abundant snowpack, according to the National Weather Service. However, temperatures are on their way up again. Colorado's snowmelt usually peaks by mid-June, but only about 45 percent of snowpack in some areas has melted this year, forecasters said.

Smoke suffocated other parts of Colorado. Fires in surrounding states have created a haze over Colorado for more than a week. Smaller fires were burning in southwest Colorado on Sunday.

Levels in the North Platte River near Saratoga in southeast **Wyoming** have fallen slightly, but the river is still nearly two feet above flood stage of 8.5 feet.