



NAFE 2026 Winter Conference

Friday, January 16, 2026 — New Orleans

MORNING

7:30AM Registration Desk Open until 12:00 PM

8:00AM Board of Directors Meeting (Open to All Members)

10:30 AM Meet and Depart for Tour

11:15 AM Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority–East (FPA-E) Surge Barrier Tour

This guided tour provides an overview of the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System (HSDRRS) protecting Greater New Orleans, with a focus on the Surge Barrier completed in 2013—the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' largest design-build civil works project. The tour begins with an introduction to FPA-E and the post-Katrina flood protection system, followed by discussion of the Surge Barrier's design, construction, and key components. Participants will gain insight into how the system is operated and maintained to manage regional flood risk.

3:00 PM ASTM E58 Meeting (Open to All Members)

AFTERNOON

6:00 PM Welcome Reception (Open to All Conference Attendees)

7:00 PM Dinner (Registration Required)