



U.S. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION  
2025 SAFETY OFFICER  
**WORKSHOP**

JANUARY 14 - 15, 2025 | LIVINGSTON, LA



# Agenda

## Monday, January 13, 2025

### Time

4:00 - 6:00 PM  
CST **In-Person Pre-Registration**  
*Baton Rouge Marriott*

## Tuesday, January 14, 2025

### Time

### Topics

8:00 AM CST Breakfast at LIGO and Registration

9:00 AM CST **Opening Remarks**  
*Matthew Hawkins, Head, Research Infrastructure Office, U.S. National Science Foundation*  
*Danny Sellers, Laboratory Safety Officer, LIGO*

9:30 AM CST **Tour of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory**  
*Danny Sellers, Laboratory Safety Officer, LIGO*

12:00 PM CST Lunch

1:15 PM CST **Lightning Round: Facility Introductions**

2:00 PM CST **Electrical Safe Work Practices**  
*Danny Sellers, Laboratory Safety Officer, LIGO*

3:00 PM CST Refreshment Break and Poster Session\*

3:45 PM CST **Battery Pack Safety, Lithium Batteries**  
*Ron Reif, Senior EH&S Advisor, Ocean Observatories Initiative*

4:45 PM CST End Day 1 of Workshop

7:30 PM CST **Group Dinner at Mansurs on the Boulevard (Optional)**  
*Attendees will pay for dinner on their own*

## Wednesday, January 15, 2025

### Time

### Topics

8:00 AM CST Breakfast at LIGO

9:00 AM CST **Part 1: Developing and Implementing a Robust Emergency Action Plan**  
*Reva Golden, EHS Specialist / Industrial Hygienist, UCAR, National Center for Atmospheric Research (FFRDC)*  
*Bob Wiley, Director of Employee and Workplace Safety, UCAR, National Center for Atmospheric Research (FFRDC)*

9:30 AM CST **Part 2: Developing and Implementing a Robust Emergency Action Plan**  
Conduct exercises in small groups to develop a response to an emergency situation.  
*Reva Golden, EHS Specialist / Industrial Hygienist, UCAR, National Center for Atmospheric Research (FFRDC)*

10:00 AM CST Refreshment Break and Poster Session (continued)

10:30 AM CST **Part 2: Developing and Implementing a Robust Emergency Action Plan (continued)**  
Conduct exercises in small groups to develop a response to an emergency situation.  
*Reva Golden, EHS Specialist / Industrial Hygienist, UCAR, National Center for Atmospheric Research (FFRDC)*

**Wednesday, January 15, 2025 (continued)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topics</b>
11:15 AM CST	<b>Industrial Hygiene Hazard Identification and Exposure Risk Assessments for Health Hazards</b> <i>Bevin Luna, HSE Manager, Industrial Hygienist, Arctic Research Support &amp; Logistics Services (ARSLs)</i> <i>Jack Pirner, Assistant Director Environmental, Safety, and Security, National Radio Astronomy Observatory (FFRDC)</i>
12:00 PM CST	<b>Lunch</b>
1:15 PM CST	<b>Management Involvement</b> <i>Richard Oram, Research Infrastructure Advisor, U.S. National Science Foundation</i> <i>Ron Reif, Senior EH&amp;S Advisor, Ocean Observatories Initiative</i>
2:00 PM CST	<b>Refreshment Break</b>
2:30 PM CST	<b>Group Discussion: What do the other safety programs look like within the community? What is working well? What are 3 things you would like to change that would improve your safety program?</b> <i>Richard Oram, Research Infrastructure Advisor, U.S. National Science Foundation</i>
3:30 PM CST	<b>Group Discussion: Future safety officer collaboration activities and practical steps for sharing knowledge and lessons learned</b>
4:05 PM CST	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
4:15 PM CST	<b>End of Workshop</b>





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