



**Wednesday, May 15**

**4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**      **Early Registration**  
Conference Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

**Thursday, May 16**

***Lessons Learned from Sandy and Other Severe Weather Events***

**7:30 am – 11:15 am**      **Field trip and Tour of the IBHS Research Center**  
*Chester County, S.C.*

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**      **Registration**  
Conference Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**      **Lunch**

**12:00 pm – 12:10 pm**      **Welcoming Remarks**  
*Michael Cohen; Director, RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences Foundation*

**12:10 pm – 12:45 pm**      **Keynote Address**  
*Wayne Goodwin; North Carolina Insurance Commissioner*

**12:45 pm – 1:45 pm**      **Unique Meteorological Challenges of Superstorm Sandy**  
*Rick Knabb, Ph.D.; Director, NOAA's National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida*

What were some of the unique characteristics of Superstorm Sandy? Was it truly a 'superstorm'? Was Sandy a worst case scenario or the way of the future?

**1:45 pm – 2:00 pm**      **Break**

**2:00 pm – 3:45 pm**      **Sandy: A Wake-up Call For Hurricane-exposed Communities**  
**Moderator:** *Craig Tillman; President, WeatherPredict Consulting*  
**Panelists:** *Stephen Ludwig; VP, Catastrophe Risk Management, The Hartford Financial Services Group*  
*Tom Hall; Technical Director - Natural Hazards, Zurich North American - Risk Engineering*  
*Karthik Ramanathan, Ph.D.; Engineer, AIR Worldwide*  
*Gavin Smith; Executive Director, UNC Center for the Study of Natural Hazards and Disasters*

We'll learn from experts on some of the critical elements Sandy, including the complexity of response and recovery efforts, the compounding effects of wind and water on community infrastructure, and the impact on commercial and residential exposures.

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**Lessons Learned continued**

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

**Break**

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

**Inventory Resilience: Commercial and Residential Exposures**

**Moderator:** Julie Rochman; President & CEO, Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS)

**Panelists:** Michael Lingerfelt, FAIA LEED AP; Chairman, Disaster Assistance Task Force, American Institute of Architects  
Peter Vickery, Ph.D.; Principal Engineer, Applied Research Associates  
Tim Reinhold, Ph.D., P.E.; SVP, Research & Chief Engineer, Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS)

Every storm has its own signature, bringing a unique combination of challenges to homeowners. Hear experts in engineering, design and modeling outline lessons learned from a variety of storm-affected communities. The panel will touch on building codes, natural protections, design, building science and other considerations that have helped some areas be more resilient than their neighbors.

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Networking Reception**

**Friday, May 17**

**Looking Forward: Post-Sandy Solutions**

7:30 am - 8:30 am

**Breakfast**

8:30 am – 10:00 am

**Post-Sandy: What Communities Are Next And How Ready Are They?**

**Moderator:** Michael Cohen; Director, RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences Foundation

**Panelists:** Bill Read; Former Director, National Hurricane Center  
Frank Nutter; President, Reinsurance Association of America  
Ann Roberson; Public Information Officer; Manager, SC Safe Home; SC Department of Insurance  
Robin Westcott, Esq.; Insurance Consumer Advocate, Florida Office of the Insurance Consumer Advocate

Which are the most and least prepared states for severe weather? Hear the perspectives from officials on the ground about how their states are increasing community resiliency through innovative efforts in infrastructure, training, forecasting, building codes and public awareness.

10:00 am – 10:15 am

**Break**

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**Friday, May 17**

***Looking Forward: Post-Sandy Solutions, continued***

**10:15 am – 11:45 am**

**What Do We Do Now? The Path to Community Resilience**

**Moderator &**

**Panelist:** *Leslie Chapman-Henderson; President & CEO, Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH)*

**Panelists:** *Margaret Davidson; Acting Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management*

*David Canaan; Director, Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services*

*John Plodinec, Ph.D.; Associate Director, Resilience Technologies*

*Community and Regional Resilience Institute*

How can communities become more resilient against natural hazards going forward? What best practices have emerged post-Sandy?

**11:45 am – 1:15 pm**

**Unique Challenges of Low-income Communities in Natural Disasters**

**Moderator:** *Chris Estes; President & CEO, National Housing Conference*

**Panelists:** *Mark Shelburne; Counsel & Policy Coordinator, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency*

*Diane Standaert; Legislative Counsel, Center for Responsible Lending*

*Sherrod Banks; President, Banks Law Firm*

How can we better help America's most vulnerable communities, low income families, prepare, respond and recover from natural hazards? What promising practices are worth considering investing in to improve the resiliency of these communities?

**1:15 pm – 1:30 pm**

**Closing Remarks**

**1:30 pm**

**Lunch**

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