

Solid Waste Workshop: Environmental Enforcement

March 5, 2020, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Sign in and networking 9:00 a.m. **Welcome & Introductions** Andrea Tantillo, Senior Communications Coordinator, H-GAC **Rules and Criminal Enforcement** 9:10 a.m. Roger A. Haseman, Former Assistant Harris County District Attorney 9:40 a.m. **Building a Case** Sgt. Patrick J. Morrissey, Houston Police Department 10:10 a.m. Rural Enforcement Investigator Eduardo Perez, Fort Bend County Environmental Health Office 10:40 a.m. Break 10:55 a.m. Junk Vehicles and Salvage Yards Lt. J.T. "Tod" Schneider, Fort Bend County Environmental Enforcement Unit 11:25 a.m. **Illicit Discharges** Kenneth AuBuchon, EPA Region 6 12:00 p.m. **Discussion, Upcoming Industry Events & Announcements** 12:30 p.m. Adjourn

The next Solid Waste Workshop will be Thursday, May 21. The topic will be Recycling.

Roger A. Haseman

Roger A. Haseman is a former Assistant District Attorney for the Harris County District Attorney's Office in Houston, Texas having retired in 2016. He began his career there as a prosecutor in 1982. He was the Chief Prosecutor in the Environmental Crimes Division beginning in 1991, where he was responsible for the state criminal prosecution of all environmental crimes, including water, air, hazardous waste, used oil, medical waste and solid waste violations. Mr. Haseman continues to advise law enforcement agencies concerning environmental matters and has been a presenter at numerous environmental seminars across the state. He is a regular instructor at the Texas Environmental Law Enforcement Association's annual conference in Bandera, Texas, and has been a presenter for many years.

Sgt. Patrick J. Morrissey

Sgt. Patrick J. Morrissey holds a Bachelor of Science and Masters in Criminal Justice and is currently an Adjunct Professor for Criminal Justice. He is the supervisor over the Houston Police Department Environmental Investigations Unit. Sgt. Morrisey has experience in proactive organized crime and gang crime investigations and has now successfully applied that knowledge to complex environmental crime investigations. He teaches criminal investigative techniques for environmental crimes at the national level melding his passion for law enforcement and teaching into one.

Investigator Eduardo Perez

Investigator Eduardo Perez is a 12-year veteran in Law Enforcement. He started his career at the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office as a jailer then transitioned to the Patrol Division where he remained for most of his time at the Sheriff's Office. After years of street experience, environmental crimes peaked Investigator Perez' interest as a new way to challenge himself. He says he didn't know there was life outside of the Penal Code. Investigator Perez was hired on to the Fort Bend County Environmental Health Office as a Criminal Investigator in 2018 and is where he currently works.

Lt. J.T. "Tod" Schneider

Lt. J.T. "Tod" Schneider originally started his professional life in the engineering/construction industry. He then pursued a career in law enforcement and public service. He recently reached 30 years in law enforcement and is still going strong. He has held positions in patrol, special operations, administration and investigations as well as being a member of various professional organizations. He has also held teaching positions for both law enforcement academies and college academic schools. He considers it a privilege to have had such of a diverse background and draws on his experience daily. He is currently the Lieutenant over the Environmental Enforcement Unit for Fort Bend County.

Ken AuBuchon

Ken AuBuchon attended the University of Houston and received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering in 1996 and a Master of Science in Environmental Engineering in 1998. He joined the Environmental Protection Agency in 1998 conducting Compliance Inspections as an Environmental Engineer for EPA Region 6 in Houston, Texas. Mr. AuBuchon is currently an EPA Region 6 Senior Environmental Engineer supporting various civil and criminal enforcement programs.