

NHERI NCO-ECO Committee Minutes

Date: January 27, 2026

Time: 12:00-1:00 pm CT

Zoom link: <https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006>

I. Attendance

Matt Schoettler (*University of California, Berkeley—SimCenter*), Rachel Adams (*University of Colorado, Boulder—CONVERGE*), Joe Saunders (*Lehigh University—RTMD*), Laura Lowes (*University of Washington—RAPID*), Robin Nelson (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*), Karina Vielma (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*)

II. Reports

a. NHERI Summer Institute Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Sessions – Virtual site presentation format includes 15-minute presentation from each site (overview of your facilities and resources, types of research you can accommodate, how to contact your site, etc.), followed immediately by a 10 min. Q&A session. You can see the full schedule here: [2026 Spring PLC Site Sign-Up.xlsx](#)

1. March 30, 12:00 -1:30 pm CT

- a. UCSD LHPOST6
- b. Lehigh RTMD
- c. UT DesignSafe

2. April 20, 12:00-2:00 pm CT

- a. UC Boulder CONVERGE
- b. OSU HWRL
- c. Uc Berkeley SimCenter
- d. UC Davis CGM

3. May, 12:00-2:00 pm CT

- a. UW RAPID
- b. UT LMS
- c. FIU WOW
- d. UF BLWT

b. **NHERI Site Contact & Office Hour Information for PLC participants-** please ensure your site has filled out the preferred contact for those interested in working with your facility ([2026 NSF NHERI Facility Contact Information](#)) by January 31.

c. **Post-Assessment Survey for PLC Sessions-**

- i. Assess participant understanding of knowledge and resources immediately after session and not after Institute.
- ii. First three post-assessment site questions are the same across all sites and evaluate the first NHERI Summer Institute objectives. Below are the two main objectives of the NHERI Summer Institute follows:
 - 1. Knowledge of NHERI network and resources- PLC sessions, Summer Institute
 - 2. Create collaborative research community- Community Building Sessions, Summer Institute
- iii. Do you want to change your fourth question to better assess the session or gather information from participants for your site? (Robin will send this to each ECO rep. via email soon).
- iv. Robin will share all site-specific data collect with the site ECO representative after the session.

d. Site participation virtually during the Summer Institute –

- i. Can your site be available the afternoon of June 2 and the morning of June 3 (1 hour per day- exact time needs to be finalized) for participants to drop in and ask questions they need answered for their mock proposal?
- ii. Can your site provide a Zoom room link for this interaction to take place?

III. New business – Any new business from facilities

IV. Unfinished business

- a. No cost extension facility feedback

V. Announcements

- a. Event dates
 - i. Mini Summer-Institute – June 2-3, 2026, User Forum dinner June 1, 2026
 - ii. Natural Hazards Research & Applications Workshop – June 14-17, 2026
 - iii. ASEE – June 21-24, 2026

VI. Adjournment