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**Hazard Analysis and Mitigation**

**April 20 – Walterboro**

**April 21 – Newberry**

**April 22 – Dillon**

South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust  
South Carolina Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund

**Agenda**

<b>9:30 – 10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10:00 – 10:05 a.m.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
<b>10:05 – 11:05 a.m.</b>	<b>Safety Inspections and Hazard Identification</b>
<b>11:05 – 11:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:15 a.m. – noon</b>	<b>Preparation and Planning Before a Disaster</b>
<b>Noon – 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:00 – 2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Actions Immediately Following a Disaster</b>
<b>2:00 – 2:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>2:15 – 2:45 p.m.</b>	<b>The Claim Process and Interacting with the Adjuster</b>
<b>2:45 – 3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Questions/Adjourn</b>

**Meeting Information**

In the first portion of this informative session, Municipal Association of SC staff will present procedures for conducting safety inspections that will help identify hazards.

The remaining portion of the session will feature a speaker from Vale Training Solutions discussing preparation and planning before a disaster, actions immediately following a disaster as well as the claims process and interacting with an adjuster.

Risk managers and others who serve in a risk management role are strongly encouraged to attend. Attendance counts toward risk self-assessment compliance and as an elective credit for Risk Management Institute participants.

**Safety Protocols**

Safety protocols will be in place for the event. Meeting attendees will be required to wear a mask at all times (unless eating or drinking) when in the meeting area. Meeting rooms will be set up to accommodate social distancing. Anyone who feels sick or is experiencing symptoms for COVID-19 should not attend the meeting. Attendees are encouraged to practice social distancing at all times.

## Speakers

### John Ciesielski, Loss Control Consultant

John Ciesielski joined the Association in 2019 as a loss control consultant. He provides loss control support for the Association's two risk management programs — the SC Municipal Insurance Trust and the SC Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund. He has more than 24 years of loss control experience working for South Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Administration. He received his bachelor's degree from West Virginia University.

### Elizabeth R. Ramirez, Senior Training Consultant

Elizabeth Ramirez entered the insurance industry in 1994. Her career in property claims adjusting began at USAA as an inside claims adjuster. Later she joined the adjusting firm Cunningham Lindsey where she held various roles, including independent catastrophe adjuster, core team adjuster, catastrophe supervisor and core team supervisor. Now with Vale Training Solutions, she develops and teaches courses in property claim adjusting, specializing in programs for commercial property and catastrophe claims adjusters. Her expertise includes teaching both brand new and experienced adjusters on residential and commercial property insurance, scoping and estimating. Ramirez has been on the faculty of the CLM Claims College since 2015. In addition, she holds the Associate in Claims designation and is a Xactimate Affiliate.

## Registration Information

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Register online by April 12 at [www.masc.sc](http://www.masc.sc). Because of COVID-19 restrictions onsite registration and substitutions will not be available. The session room may be cool, so you may want to bring a sweater or jacket. For special needs requests, contact Amy Gillian at 803.354.4774 or [losscontrol@masc.sc](mailto:losscontrol@masc.sc) by April 12, and we will accommodate if possible.

## General Information

The South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust and the South Carolina Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund offer training sessions on a variety of risk management and safety and health topics. The programs also provide members a forum for sharing ideas and keeping current on state and federal laws.

### Meeting Location

#### Tuesday, April 20

Walterboro Wildlife Center  
100 South Jefferies Blvd.  
Walterboro, SC 29488

#### Wednesday, April 21

Newberry Fire House Conference Center  
1227 McKibben St.  
Newberry, SC 29108

#### Thursday, April 22

Dillon Wellness Center  
1647 Commerce Drive  
Dillon, SC 29536

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## Upcoming 2021 Events

Fair and Impartial Policing: Understanding Bias and Duty to Intervene – May 19  
Diversity and Inclusion – August 10, 11 and 12  
Risk Management Services Annual Members Meeting – November 9  
Public Works/Utilities Risk Management – December 8