

34th ASA ANNUAL MEETING AND 7th STATE AEROSPACE POLICY SUMMIT

August 17–20, 2026

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Hosted by Lieutenant Governor Howie C. Morales

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This agenda is tentative and subject to change.

Conference sessions, speakers, tour details, and event times may be updated. Please visit the Aerospace States Association website regularly for the most current agenda and conference information.

Sandia National Laboratories Tours

Participation in the Sandia National Laboratories tours is limited and subject to security requirements. Attendees interested in participating should indicate their interest during registration. Additional instructions and required information will be provided to registered participants.

Registration & Conference Badges

Attendees are requested to pick up their conference badges upon arrival at either **Hotel Chaco** or **Hotel Albuquerque**.

If you will not be staying at either conference hotel, please notify conference organizers prior to your arrival so alternate badge pickup arrangements can be made.

Conference badges are required to board conference transportation and participate in scheduled tours and activities.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Aerospace Tours

Attendees will tour some of New Mexico's most significant aerospace and research assets, including **Spaceport America**, the **New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (New Mexico Tech)**, and **Sandia National Laboratories**.

In-Depth Policy Discussions

Policy panels will examine issues impacting States, Tribes, and Territories, including spaceports and airspace access, workforce development, national defense, tax and infrastructure policy, and the growing role of state and regional space commissions.

Economic Development & Networking

The Summit brings together government, industry, academia, and research leaders to foster collaboration, strengthen partnerships, and create new opportunities for investment, workforce development, and aerospace innovation.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Lieutenant Governors, governor-appointed delegates, state legislators, tribal and territorial representatives, congressional and federal officials, aerospace industry leaders, defense and national security professionals, academic institutions, researchers, economic development professionals, and ASA members and partners.

BECOME A MEMBER

The Aerospace States Association advances aerospace policy, economic development, workforce initiatives, and innovation throughout the United States and its Territories. Membership provides access to national policy discussions, educational programs, conferences, and collaboration with government, industry, and academic leaders.

QUICK LINKS

Register for the Annual Meeting

<https://aerostates.org/34th-asa-annual-meeting/>

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Conference Updates & Current Agenda

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Bringing Together Government, Industry, Academia, and Research to Advance Aerospace Leadership

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

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Monday, August 17, 2026

Time	Event	Venue
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Welcome Reception	Hotel Chaco – Level 5 Rooftop

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

New Mexico Aerospace, Research, and Innovation Tour Day

Time	Event	Venue / Departure Point
7:00 AM	Depart for the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (New Mexico Tech)	Hotel Chaco
8:30 AM-- 9:30 AM	Breakfast Hosted by New Mexico Tech	New Mexico Tech
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Tour of New Mexico Tech	New Mexico Tech
10:30 AM	Depart for Spaceport America	New Mexico Tech
12:30 PM – 1:45 PM	Policy Luncheon Inland Spaceports Airspace Access and Opportunities Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD	Spaceport America
	Tour of Virgin Galactic Facilities	Spaceport America

Time	Event	Venue / Departure Point
2:00 PM	Tour of the Spaceport America Campus	Spaceport America
5:00 PM	Arrive at Hotel Chaco	Hotel Chaco
Evening	Dinner on Your Own	—

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

7th State Aerospace Policy Summit

Panel Discussions Location: Hotel Albuquerque

Time	Event
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Welcome Remarks
8:45 AM – 10:00 AM	Panel Discussion Expanding Aerospace Programs in Higher Education – Ensuring the Workforce of Tomorrow Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Networking Break
10:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Panel Discussion Tax Codes and Infrastructure – What Your State/Tribe/Territory Needs to Build an Effective Aerospace Economy Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM	Policy Luncheon State-Federal Roundtable Elected Leaders and Congressional Leaders Moderator: TBD
1:30 PM – 2:45 PM	Panel Discussion Space Commissions/Aerospace Caucuses – Expanding the Aerospace Policy Engagement Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Networking Break
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	ASA Business Meeting (<i>ASA Members Only</i>)
5:00	Depart for the Anderson Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum

Time	Event
5:30 PM	Cocktail Reception
6:30 PM	10th Annual Thomas R. Hobson / Robert A. Davis, Jr. Award Dinner Keynote Speaker: TBD Award Recipient: TBD
Following Dinner	Balloon Glow and After-Dinner Reception

Thursday, August 20, 2026

National Security and Aerospace Innovation Day

Time	Event	Venue / Departure Point
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast	Hotel Chaco
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Sandia National Laboratories Tours Government Officials and Staff Tour Industry Attendees <i>Tour Participation is limited and subject to security requirements.</i>	Sandia National Laboratories
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Policy Luncheon Golden Dome and Drone Warfare – The Future of National Defense Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD	National Museum of Nuclear Science & History
2:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Aerospace Industry Tours Rocket Lab AV Inc. <i>Tour capacity is limited.</i>	Albuquerque
4:30 PM	Depart for Hotel Chaco	Rocket Lab / AeroVironment
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	Closing Reception	Hosted by Guam and Hawaii