

YOU'RE INVITED FOR A TOUR

WEATHER MODIFICATION ASSOCIATION
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You're Invited: To an Exclusive Tour of the Desert Research Institute!

Join us for a special behind-the-scenes tour of the Desert Research Institute (DRI) in Reno, Nevada, taking place on the final day of the Weather Modification Association's 74th Annual Conference.



2:00 - 4:00 pm

Hosted by Frank McDonough & Jesse Juchtzer,
WMA Members

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Guided visit to DRI's Ultra-Trace Laboratory with expert Nathan Chellman
- A look inside the Aerosol Research Lab with Dr. Xiaoliang Wang
- Demonstrations of ground-based seeding generator systems
- Overview of DRI's historic and ongoing contributions to weather modification research and program validation

Logistics & Transportation:

We want to make getting there as easy as possible! Please let us know you're interested by filling out the Google Form by **no later than Monday, April 20, 2026**: <https://forms.gle/pLp2NsXxjDkVpFW26>



About the Desert Research Institute



The Desert Research Institute (DRI) is a world-renowned research institution and a global leader in environmental science. While home to one of the oldest cloud seeding programs in the United States, DRI's expertise extends far beyond weather modification.

Based in the high desert of Nevada, DRI conducts cutting-edge research across atmospheric sciences, hydrologic sciences, earth and ecosystem sciences, and science education, supporting informed decision-making on some of the most critical environmental challenges of our time. DRI's Reno campus serves as a hub for atmospheric research and operations, utilizing advanced meteorological modeling, state-of-the-art laboratory capabilities, and a network of ground-based seeding systems to support water resource management across the western United States. Their work is foundational to the weather modification community—blending decades of field research, physical evaluation, and technological innovation to advance program effectiveness, transparency, and sustainability.

The WMA is grateful for DRI's generous sponsorship of this year's conference!

For all questions please contact board@weathermod.org

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