



The Industry Conference Resource

February 2018

CRITICAL DATES

- **AASHTO re:source Technical Exchange** - booth space is limited and quickly filling up. To secure a booth click [HERE](#). Deadline to secure a room at the host hotel is February 16. To book a room click [HERE](#).
- **AASHTO GIS-T** - the deadline for early registration ends March 1. To register and save click [HERE](#).

NEW MEETINGS

- **AASHTO Committee on Materials and Pavement** - registration and sponsorship opportunities are now live. To register or sponsor click [HERE](#).
- **AASHTO Construction Conference** - registration and sponsorship opportunities are now live. To register or sponsor click [HERE](#).

State of the Industry

"Together, we can reclaim our building heritage. We will build gleaming new roads, bridges, highways, railways, and waterways across our land. And we will do it with American heart, American hands, and American grit,"

President Donald J. Trump offered during the 2018 State of the Union address.

This bold statement of the key role infrastructure plays on the health and wellness of our country is a reminder that our industry is a critical piece of our economy. It remains important that we, the agencies and businesses that deliver infrastructure projects, invest time and energy toward the development of our contributions to making it the best it can be. There are many ways to do that - and by tapping into this newsletter, you are already taking one of the first steps to advancing your business to playing the role you've always aspired for it to play.

So, when you stand up in front of your peers and colleagues, what line from your "State of our Company" address will stand out? By participating in industry conferences in the form of attendance and financial support, you send a clear message to all those involved that you are invested in the growth and strength of the world of infrastructure. As you read through the list of conferences below, take a moment to consider, "how can I make a difference here?" And, if you want some help on how you can answer that question, we are just a phone call or [email](#) away.

2018 Conference List

February 2018

- **19th Annual Association of Modified Asphalt Producers Conference & Workshop**

February 6 - 8 | Phoenix, AZ
Sheraton Grand Phoenix

Each year, AMAP brings together industry leaders and technology experts to discuss successful modified asphalt projects as well as advances and changes in technology and industry needs. Prior to the Conference, we also conduct our highly regarded Modified Asphalt Workshop. Six professional development hours will be awarded for attendance. To register click [HERE](#).

- **AASHTO Rail Council**

February 20 - 23 | Washington, DC
Washington Court Hotel

Each winter, the Council on Rail convenes in Washington, D.C. for a legislative update. During the meeting, state rail officials will have the opportunity to engage with key Federal, Congressional, and rail industry leaders, as well as Class I and Short Line Freight rail partners, Amtrak, public and private sector rail advocacy groups and others. To register click [HERE](#).

- **99th Annual AGC Convention**

February 26 - 28 | New Orleans, LA
Hyatt Regency

To learn more about the conference click [HERE](#).

- **The Precast Show**

February 22 - 24 | Denver, CO
Colorado Convention Center

The Precast Show is the largest precast-specific trade show in North America and the one place where you can find the industry's most important suppliers and foremost equipment experts under one roof. To learn more click [HERE](#).

- **Louisiana Transportation Conference**

February 25 - 28 | Baton Rouge, LA
Belle of Baton Rouge or Hilton Capitol Center

To register and/or learn more about the conference click [HERE](#).

- **Illinois Transportation and Highway Engineering Conference**

February 27 - 28 | Champaign, IL
i Hotel and Conference Center

Each year, hundreds of transportation engineers, officials, technicians, faculty and students gather to discuss issues critical to the safe and economical movement of people and goods across Illinois, the U.S.A., and beyond. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

- **Minnesota's Transportation Conference**

February 27 - March 1 | Mankato, MN
Hilton Garden Inn

The 2018 conference will be held February 27-March 1, 2018, at the Verizon Wireless Center in Mankato. Registration for Sponsors is available. Just click [HERE](#) to become a sponsor of this major transportation event.

- **AASHTO Washington Briefing**

February 27 - March 2 | Washington, DC
Washington Court Hotel

Meeting registration and sponsorship information available and can be found [HERE](#).

March 2018

- **AASHTO re:source Technical Exchange**

March 12 - 15 | San Diego, CA
DoubleTree by Hilton San Diego Mission Valley

The 2018 AASHTO re:source Technical Exchange is an excellent opportunity for laboratory managers, quality managers, supervisors, and technicians to learn about pertinent industry topics presented by AASHTO re:source staff and other subject matter experts. Attendees will also have a chance to provide input into AASHTO re:source's programs and interact with peers in workshop settings. Meeting information can be found [HERE](#).

- **2018 AASHTO GIS-T Symposium**

March 19 - 22 | Little Rock, AR
Marriott Hotel

AASHTO sponsors the annual GIS for Transportation Symposium. It is a chance for persons in government and private industry who are interested in the use of GIS for transportation purposes to get together and share experiences, see state-of-art software, and learn more about this field. Join your fellow professionals in addition to the 40+ exhibitors in the technology hall. To learn more click [HERE](#).

April 2018

- **Kansas Transportation Engineering Conference**

April 10 - 11 | Manhattan, KS
Kansas State University Student Union

More information to come.

- **ATSSA's Legislative Briefing and Fly-In**

April 11 - 12 | Washington, DC
Washington Court Hotel

Join ATSSA in Washington, D.C. for our Legislative Briefing & Fly-In on April 11-12, 2018. This conference is a unique opportunity for ATSSA members to meet high-level decision makers from Congress, as well as network with fellow industry leaders. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

- **AASHTO NTPEP**

April 22 - 26 | Norfolk, VA
Norfolk Waterside Marriott

Meeting information can be found [HERE](#).

May 2018

- **WTS Annual Conference**

May 16 - 18 | San Diego, CA
Loews Coronado Bay Resort

WTS International is hosting its 2018 annual conference, "Driving the Waves of Change," in San Diego, California, May 16 - 18, 2018! San Diego boasts a diverse economy supported by international trade, manufacturing, military, biotechnology, and tourism. Its mild and sunny year-round climate makes it an ideal location to foster a wide range of transportation sectors; rail, aviation, construction, freight, transit, and active transportation all play a vital role in the daily operation of this thriving coastal city. To learn more click [HERE](#).

- **AASHTO Spring Meeting**

May 21 - 24 | Franklin, TN
Franklin Marriott Cool Springs

This is one of AASHTO's annual premier transportation conferences. The meeting is hosted by the Tennessee DOT and always held in the AASHTO President's home state. The AASHTO President is Tennessee DOT Commissioner, John Schroer. To register and/or sponsor this conference click [HERE](#).

- **Ignite 2018 Annual User Conference**

May 29 - June 1 | Huntington Beach, CA
Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach

Ignite 2018 is the culmination of our efforts to educate the construction industry on the important regulations that effect your company. We seek to instill in each of our attendees drive and passion in to work toward something more for all of our communities. We want to show the positive effects that labor and workforce laws have on communities and disadvantaged workers. Please join us as we explore basics, best practices, advanced reporting and changes that are on the horizon. To register click [HERE](#).

June 2018

- **Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers Annual Conference**

June 7 - 8 | Tulsa, OK
Tulsa Technology Center

More information to come soon.

- **AASHTO Design Meeting**

June 11 - 14 | Franklin, TN
Franklin Marriott Cool Springs

Registration to open soon.

- **AASHTO SCOTE Conference**

June 18 - 20 | Denver, CO
Renaissance Denver Stapleton Hotel

Registration opens soon and can be found [HERE](#).

- **IBTTA Maintenance & Roadway Operations Workshop**

**June 24 - 26 | Harrisburg, PA
Hilton Harrisburg**

This Workshop is an opportunity to share and collaborate on innovative ideas and established best practices in maintaining and servicing world-class roadways. Sessions will be divided along Management and Technical tracks. The topics include emerging technologies and how to leverage them, communicating key performance metrics, preparing for AV/CV, incident management and more. Regional case studies will provide insight on operational and management strategies. To learn more click [HERE](#).

July 2018

- **Subcommittee on Internal & External Audit**

**July 14 - 18 | Nashville, TN
DoubleTree by Hilton Nashville**

More information to come soon.

- **AASHTO Design Meeting**

**July 17 - 20 | Spokane, WA
Davenport Grand**

Registration to open soon.

- **AASHTO Research Advisory Committee**

**July 21 - 26 | Wichita, KS
Drury Hotel**

Registration opens soon.

August 2018

- **SASHTO TX 2018**

**August 5 - 7 | Houston, TX
Marriott Marquis**

The South's premier transportation conference with more than 1,200 transportation professionals attending. Come network with decision makers building relationships to grow business. To register, exhibit or partner click [HERE](#).

- **AASHTO Committee on Materials and Pavement**

**August 5 - 9 | Cincinnati, OH
Westin Cincinnati**

This Committee is responsible for the development of materials and test standards utilized by all of the AASHTO member departments. Materials and Pavement engineers and technical experts from member departments work for consensus on these important documents. Industry and academia participation is also encouraged so that technical issues are resolved quickly and appropriately, as well as introduce innovative ideas for the transportation industry. To register, exhibit and/or sponsor click [HERE](#).

- **AASHTO Construction Conference**

**August 12 - 16 | Pittsburgh, PA
Pittsburgh Marriott City Center**

he AASHTO Committee on Construction works diligently to advance efforts to improve safety in work zones, improve customer service and collaboration, promote quality, advocate for environmentally responsible construction projects, encourage technology driven improvements to business practices, develop and empower our workforce to be successful, promote best practices for the administration of all construction contracts and utilize construction efficiency and cost effectiveness. There are also many great opportunities for networking with your colleagues. Registration opens soon and can be found [HERE](#).

- **MAASTO Annual Conference**

**August 27 - 29 | Traverse City, MI
Grand Traverse Resort**

Make plans now to join us in Michigan for the 109th MAASTO Annual Meeting, where we'll be examining how transportation makes connections across modes of travel and communities. Those connections redefine how we think of transportation, and transform the lives of the people joined by our system. At MAASTO 2018, we will examine the links between what we do and the people it affects. All of this while visiting one of the most beautiful corners of our state - the Cherry Capital of the World - where you can experience for yourself the tourism and recreation connections made here every day. To learn more click [HERE](#).

[Housman & Associates](#) | 512.259.5554 | [Ernie Cochran](#)

STAY CONNECTED:

