



TALKING POINTS

May 2025

US GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

- » APWA Director of Government and Public Affairs Andrea Eales and APWA Government Affairs Media Manager Mark Shade will speak on May 2 to the APWA Mid-Atlantic Chapter during its WRX Conference in Ocean City, Maryland.
- » The APWA *Washington Report* will publish on the first three Mondays in May.
- » The Engineering & Public Works Roadshow will be at the Minnesota Zoo's new [Treetop Trail](#) on May 1 and at [San Jacinto College](#) in Pasadena, Texas on May 7.
- » For National Public Works Week, the Government Affairs team will lead a workforce roundtable on Capitol Hill, May 20; a reception that evening recognizing APWA's 2024 Top 10 and Project of the Year awards winners; and Donuts & Trucks Day in conjunction with the DC Department of Public Works on May 22. All events on Capitol Hill are in coordination with the US House Public Works and Infrastructure Caucus.
- » Follow, like, and re-post! APWA Government Affairs delivers daily advocacy updates on [X](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

EXECUTIVE OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Check out the May issue of the *APWA Reporter* and watch your email for information on candidates for the 2025 affirmation ballot for APWA Board of Director positions. Affirmation voting opens May 15.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

National Public Works Week Is Coming Up

We'll soon celebrate National Public Works Week (NPWW), May 18-24, 2025. Help us spread the word about NPWW to your fellow APWA members, public works agencies, and public works professionals so they might share their stories in their municipalities during the week. [Share this link](#) to a robust collection of design and planning materials. Remember to use our official hashtag #NPWW in all your social media posts.

NPWW posters are still available to order from the [APWA Store](#), although supplies are going fast. Get yours today!

ACCREDITATION

- » Saint Paul, Minnesota Public Works Department. 4th accreditation
- » Pinellas Park, Florida Public Works Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Denver, Colorado Public Works Administration/Solid Waste Management and Wastewater Management Division. 1st accreditation
- » Saginaw, Texas Public Works Department. 1st accreditation
- » Bothell, Washington Public Works Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Peoria, Arizona Water Services Department. 5th accreditation
- » Peoria, Arizona Public Works Department. 5th accreditation

Upcoming APWA Awards Deadline

June 2, 2025

Presidential Acknowledgment for Chapter Excellence (PACE)

[Click here](#) to learn more about the APWA Awards Program.

Quick Links

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CONFERENCES

PWX 2025

August 17–20, 2025

[Registration](#) and [housing](#) are open for PWX 2025 in Chicago, Illinois!

[Click here](#) to learn more.

Save the Date for #Show4Snow 2026

April 26–29, 2026

The 2026 North American Snow Conference will be held in [Cleveland, Ohio](#). Stay tuned for details.

WEBINARS AND MORE

SC/RC Perspective on Wildfires

May 7, 2025

As first responders, public works has a tremendous responsibility preparing for and responding to wildfires. This panel will discuss how small city/rural community public works agencies have responded to recent wildfires. [Click here](#) to register.

In the Driver's Seat With Dan Schacher

May 14, 2025

Unlock the secrets to effective leadership and management in public works! Attendees will learn from Dan Schacher, Northern Region Maintenance and Operations Manager with Alaska DOT, about establishing professional boundaries in a supervisory role. [Click here](#) to register.

Virtual Self-Assessment Workshop

May 29, 2025

Want to optimize the performance of your public works agency? In this workshop, participants will gain understanding of the self-assessment process and the accreditation program. [Click here](#) to register.

Lessons as First Responders: Responding to the 2024 Hurricanes

June 12, 2025

Join us for a live virtual program where public works professionals will share lessons learned from the hurricanes that hit the East Coast in Fall 2024. [Click here](#) for more information or to register.

PUBLICATIONS

Stormwater Issues and Answers Second Edition



New in this second edition of *Stormwater Issues and Answers* is an overview of green infrastructure practices as well as a more in-depth look at ways to discuss stormwater management with city administrators and elected officials. What are the key ingredients to a successful stormwater management program? How do we pay

for it all? In this second edition, the APWA Water Resources Management Committee pooled their expertise to compile succinct yet comprehensive answers to these and your other most pressing stormwater program questions. [Click here](#) to order!

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Winter Maintenance Supervisor Certificate

May 20–22, 2025

This certificate program helps those in charge of winter operations understand all facets of developing and maintaining an effective winter maintenance program, resulting in more effective, efficient, and environmentally friendly snow and ice control. [Click here](#) to register.

Foundational Cybersecurity Concepts for Public Works Professionals Certificate

June 24–26, 2025

This six-hour certificate program is for any public works professional with a desire to protect critical systems and data. Learn how to avoid, react to, and anticipate threats. This is not intended for IT professionals. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

EMERGING LEADERS ACADEMY

The 2025–2026 Emerging Leaders Academy program [applications](#) are available. Applications are due at the end of day Friday, July 18, 2025.