

APWA AWARDS PROGRAM: RECOGNIZING THE BEST IN PUBLIC WORKS!

Nominate a public works professional, project, organization, or chapter for an award that recognizes their achievements and contributions to the field. **Nominations are open now!** Visit our website for information on how to [submit your nomination](#).

NEW! The Myron Calkins Young Leader of the Year Award has been renamed to the [Pakpour Consulting Group Young Leader of the Year Award](#). New name, same prestigious award! Further questions? Contact [Cameron Harmeyer](#).

US GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

- » The Engineering & Public Works Roadshow will showcase [The WALK Bridge](#) in South Norwalk, Connecticut, December 2, a four-track railroad bridge that is a critical link in the Northeast Corridor, the busiest rail corridor in the nation. Region I Director Rich Benevento will speak on APWA's behalf.
- » APWA is working with other organizations to hold a Congressional briefing December 10, on water infrastructure financing. The event will take place in the US Capitol Visitor Center. Contact APWA Government Affairs Manager Leah Harnish for more information at lharnish@apwa.org.
- » Follow APWA Government Affairs on [X](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Final call for members interested in serving on a regional or the National Nominating Committee. For more information, send an email to nominations@apwa.org. Deadline to submit is December 15.

MEMBERSHIP

30,680

ACCREDITATION

Region 1—Auburn, Maine Public Works Department—3rd accreditation

Region 3—Richmond, Virginia Department of Public Works—6th accreditation

Region 4—Leon County, Florida Public Works Department—2nd accreditation

Region 5—Grove City, Ohio Public Services Department—2nd accreditation

Region 6—Des Moines, Iowa Department of Public Works—2nd accreditation

Region 7

- » Los Alamos National Laboratory, Utilities and Infrastructure Division, New Mexico—3rd accreditation
- » Yuma, Arizona Public Works Department—1st accreditation

CERTIFICATION CORNER

The Job Task Analysis survey for the Supervision and Management credential update was launched in November and will close on December 9. This survey is designed to assess the importance of tasks and knowledge statements, which will shape the content outline for the new microcredential program.

It is instrumental in developing the education and exam content that will serve as the blueprint for the new program. [Take the survey now.](#)

QUICK LINKS

[Focus on Public Works](#) | [Tell Your Story](#) | [Education/Credentialing Center](#)
[Technical Committees](#) | [Groups and Committees](#) | [Council of Chapters](#)
[Washington Report](#) | [Legislative Action Center](#) | [Ottawa Report](#)

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

APWA'S BRANDING VIDEO RECOGNIZED WITH MARCOM GOLD AWARD



The American Public Works Association (APWA) received the prestigious MarCom Gold Award in the nonprofit sector for its 2025 brand video, [Public Works: A Kid's Perspective](#).

This award honors excellence in marketing and communications while recognizing the creativity, hard work, and generosity of industry professionals. This year, there were more than 6,000 entries from throughout the United States, Canada, and 41 other countries.

Highlighted at PWX 2025 in Chicago, this branding video shares how children see the everyday heroes who keep our cities safe, clean, and thriving. From building parks to repairing roads, the video showcases their fun and heartfelt answers about what public works is and why it's important.

[Read the full press release here.](#)

EDUCATION

UPCOMING LIVE PROGRAMS:

December 11. **Tech-Driven Trees: Advancing Urban Forestry with Technology.** This live virtual program offers an in-depth exploration of how ground-based LiDAR technology, artificial intelligence (AI), and machine learning are transforming the way municipalities conduct urban tree inventories. [Registration link.](#)

January 20. **Accreditation Open Forum: "Separating Myths from Reality."** Accreditation can feel intimidating, and it's easy to get caught up in myths about what's required. But the truth is, the process doesn't have to be overwhelming. Once you understand what's fact and what's fiction, your team can approach both self-assessment and accreditation with clarity and confidence. Along the way, you'll gain valuable insights into your agency's strengths and uncover new growth opportunities. [Registration link.](#)

January 22. **Building a Responsible and Responsive Public Works Drone Program.** Discover how Salem, Oregon's Public Works Department successfully launched their drone program. The webinar will cover how they built a compelling business case and established protocols for data management, security, and staff training. [Registration link.](#)

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Time is running out to volunteer! APWA is seeking volunteers to assist committees with educational projects underway over the next six months! Discover how you can get involved with APWA and make a meaningful impact in the public works community. If you have questions, please email education@apwa.org with the subject line "Call for Volunteers." You can [review all project information](#) on our page. Be sure to [complete the survey](#) to volunteer for a project by December 2!

GET TO KNOW MEMBERS SERVING ON APWA'S NEW MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE



CONFERENCES



NORTH AMERICAN
SNOW
CONFERENCE
CLEVELAND, OHIO
2026

PLANNING IS UNDERWAY FOR SNOW 2026

The 2026 North American Snow Conference (NASC) will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, April 26–29, 2026. The NASC Program Review Committee met in November to make final selections. Submitters have been notified of their submission status.



REVIEW IN PROGRESS FOR PWX 2026

The PWX Program Review Committee is reviewing submissions for PWX 2026 and will meet in Kansas City in January to plan the conference education program.