



TALKING POINTS

September 2025

US GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

- » The APWA *Washington Report* returns this month on September 8. We publish every week that Congress is in session.
- » We're targeting September 24 or September 30 for our next IIJA webinar. We're talking to a federal agency that's key for public works. Stay tuned! View past IIJA webinars [here](#).
- » Senior Government Affairs Manager Marty Williams will visit APWA Utah on September 23, and Government Affairs Media Manager Mark Shade will visit APWA Missouri a week later. Invite one of us to visit your chapter! Send requests to Government and Public Affairs Director Andrea Eales at aeales@apwa.org.
- » Following us on [LinkedIn](#)? The social media platform is consistently growing and it's where followers find the newest advocacy updates, commentary, and interactions. Of course, we're also on [X](#).

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

Help APWA Increase Visibility of Public Works



[Watch and share](#) our fun, colorful, and engaging 2025 brand video! "Public Works: A Kid's Perspective" illustrates how children see the everyday heroes who keep our cities safe, clean, and thriving. From building parks to repairing roads, hear their genuine, heartfelt answers about what public works is and why it's

important. Presented by APWA, this video celebrates the **people, purpose, and presence** of public works in our communities.

MEMBERSHIP

30,354

ACCREDITATION

- » Pasco County, Florida Public Works Department
1st accreditation
- » La Vista, Nebraska Public Works Department
1st accreditation
- » Springfield, Missouri Public Works Department
4th accreditation
- » Springfield, Missouri Environmental Services Department
4th accreditation
- » Aurora, Colorado Public Works Department
5th accreditation
- » Shoreline, Washington Public Works Department
3rd accreditation
- » Coconino County, Arizona Public Works Department
7th accreditation

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CONFERENCES

What Do You Know About Snow?

April 26–29, 2026



The 2026 Snow Conference call for presentations is open! Share your knowledge, experiences, and vision at the

2026 North American Snow Conference in Cleveland, Ohio, April 26–29, 2026. The deadline for proposal submission is **October 3**, and will not be extended.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Believe it or Not . . . It's Not Too Early to Start Thinking About PWX 2026

August 30–September 2, 2026

The PWX 2026 Call for Presentations is now open! Share your expertise in Houston, Texas, August 30–September 2, 2026. The deadline for proposal submission is **October 30**, and will not be extended.

[Click here](#) to learn more and submit your proposal.

WEBINARS

Fleet's Critical Role in Disaster Response and Recovery

September 18

This live virtual program will equip fleet professionals with critical knowledge needed to effectively support emergency operations during a wide range of disaster scenarios, including hurricanes, wildfires, and ice storms.

[Click here](#) to register.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Public Fleet Management Certificate

September 24 and 25, October 1 and 2

This virtual eight-hour program is designed for new, seasoned, and aspiring fleet managers. Learn from the experts who developed the program that reviews many skills and topics in which fleet managers need to be proficient, including organization structures, procurement, purchasing, finance, and fleet operations.

[Click here](#) to register.

Winter Maintenance Operator Certificate

November 4 and 5

This virtual four-hour certificate program targets staff who perform winter operations, including operators, crew leaders, and forepersons. The program focuses on snow and ice control materials and how they work, equipment, and operations.

[Click here](#) to register.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation Open Forum: Preparing for a Successful Evaluation

October 4



Experienced evaluators and agency representatives share practical tips, lessons learned, and strategies to help you get ready for your agency's evaluation.

[Click here](#) to register.

EMERGING LEADERS ACADEMY

Applicants for the 2025–2026 Emerging Leaders Academy class will be notified of their status in the class no later than Friday, September 19, 2025. Those who missed the application deadline can look for the 2026–2027 ELA program year going live around April 1, 2026.

Watch Our PWX TV Playlist!

PWX TV features conversations with everyone from seasoned leadership to young professionals, and captures all the sights and sounds of the event, from the opening ceremony to the expo hall. Learn more about five public works agencies around the US who took advantage of PWX TV's documentary programs. [Click here](#) to peruse the playlist today.

