

# APWA DRAFT SPRING CONFERENCE OUTLINE 2026

TUESDAY 3/31			
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	<b>Exhibitor Set Up</b> (Vendor Area)		
WEDNESDAY 4/1			
7:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Registration</b>		
7:45 AM - 8:45 AM	<b>Young Professionals Breakfast</b> (Mountain Bluebird, Milan Room 8) Joubin Pakpour, P.E. (Pakpour Consulting Group)		
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Welcome Address, Announcements</b> (General Session) Dianne Ocon (LVVWD), Jared Wagstaff (Las Vegas Paving) Nellis Honor Guard National Anthem performed by Paul Villaluz, P.E. (Westwood) Guest Speaker: Mayor Michelle Romero (City of Henderson)		
	<b>SAGEBRUSH</b> (Milan Room 7)	<b>BIGHORN</b> (Milan Room 5)	<b>MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD</b> (Milan Room 8)
9:35 AM - 10:05 AM	<b>Upcoming SNWA/LVVWD Contracts &amp; What They Mean for Southern Nevada</b> Anita Marquez, P.E. (SNWA)		<b>Intro to Pavement Management</b> Greg Duncan, P.E. (LTAP)
10:10 AM - 10:40 AM	<b>Building Better Together: Launching Henderson's New Construction and Design Survey Process</b> Steven Conner, P.E., Michael Kidd, P.L.S. (COH)	<b>Conflict Resolution</b> Doa Ross, P.E. (LVVWD)	<b>An Asset Management Approach to Storm Drain Condition Assessment</b> Clark Barlow, P.E., Emily Straley, P.E. (Wood Rodgers)
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	<b>Micro-Trenching – 2 inches wide, 20 Departments Deep</b> Michael Cunningham, P.E. (CLV)	<b>"Soft" Essential Leadership Skills: The Art of Leveraging Humaneness for Optimal Performance and Game-changing Results</b> Marianna Hunnicutt, P.E. (Kimley-Horn)	<b>Wetlands Park Maintenance - Where Nature and Engineering Collide</b> Elizabeth Bickmore, Ben Jurand (Clark County Wetlands)
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>BREAK</b> (Vendor Area)		
11:30 AM - 12:50 PM	<b>Lunch &amp; Keynote Speaker</b> (General Session) <b>"Building the Bridge: Crafting a Career That Lasts"</b> Brian Rowley, P.E. (CCRFC)		
11:30 AM - 12:50 PM	Brian Rowley is the Deputy General Manager of the Regional Flood Control District, where he helps lead the planning, design, and construction of flood control projects across Southern Nevada. He earned a master's degree in Water Resources Engineering from BYU and has nearly 20 years of experience in both consulting and public service. Brian is passionate about building strong teams, solving complex problems, and delivering results. Outside of work, he enjoys the outdoors, coaching volleyball, playing pickleball, competing in the Microsoft Excel World Championships, and chasing his six kids around—experience that turns out to be surprisingly effective leadership training.		
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	<b>Renewing World Class Infrastructure in Nevada: One Rehab at a time</b> Chancy Vines, P.E., Breanna Satmary, E.I.T (HDR)	<b>AI in Public Works: Practical Applications That Work Today</b> Kelly Wheeler, P.E. (BridgeDoc)	<b>Connectivity During Emergencies</b> Tracy Larkin-Thomason, P.E. (NDOT)
1:35 PM - 2:05 PM	<b>FRI2/RTC Update</b> (General Session) Joanna Wadsworth, P.E. (RTC)		
2:05 PM - 2:35 PM	<b>BREAK</b> (Vendor Area)		
2:35 PM - 3:50 PM	<b>Project Highlights</b> (General Session) Garnet Valley Water and Wastewater Systems, Isaac Guzman, P.E. (SNWA), Joseph Cetrulo, P.E. (GCW), Yesika Otano-Alonso (HDR) 215 Widening, Kevie Remyse, P.E. (COH) Summerlin Interchange, Daniel Erickson (DCS) Maryland Parkway BRT, Brij Gulati, P.E. (RTC), Tim McCoy, P.E. (GCW)		
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM	<b>Director Roundtable</b> (General Session) <i>Moderated by Jed Wheeler (Bighorn Management Group)</i> City of North Las Vegas - Michael Hudgeons, P.E. City of Las Vegas - Gina Venglass, P.E. City of Henderson - Lance Olson, P.E. City of Boulder City - Gary Poindexter Nevada Department of Transportation - Tracy Larkin-Thomason, P.E. City of Mesquite - Travis Anderson, P.E.		
6:00 PM	<b>Public Works Director Toast</b> (M Resort Pool)		
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	<b>Patio Pool Party and Social Event and Open Bar/ Alumni Night</b> (M Resort Pool)		

THURSDAY 4/2			
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Past President's Breakfast (Bighorn, Milan Room 5)		
	<b>SAGEBRUSH</b> (Milan Room 7)	<b>BIGHORN</b> (Milan Room 5)	<b>MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD</b> (Milan Room 8)
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	<b>The Construction Tool Box - Planning for Success, but Preparing for the Unknown</b> Jimmy Floyd, P.E. (Pioneer Construction & Engineering Services), Steve Nilforoushan, P.E. (Rinker Materials)	<b>Preparing for Project Interviews</b> Jacob Snow, P.E. (GCW)	<b>Use Authorizations &amp; Recreation on Federally Managed Lands</b> Tambi Calvert, Chris Linehan, Jamie Moeini (USBR)
9:05 AM - 9:35 AM	<b>Overcoming Challenges on the Summerlin Parkway Interchange</b> Jared Olsen, P.E., Ryan Wheeler, P.E. (Horrocks)	<b>Succession Planning - Technical Training and Leadership</b> Priscilla Howell, P.E., Tina Chen (COH)	<b>Extending Pavement Life: The Critical Role of Crack Seal &amp; Mastic</b> Chris Robb (Maxwell Products)
9:35 AM - 10:05 AM	<b>BREAK and EXHIBITOR SPOTLIGHT</b> (Vendor Give Aways & Snacks)		
10:05 AM - 10:35 AM	<b>Summerlin Major Infrastructure Projects</b> April Chapman (Howard Hughes Communities)	<b>Unlock your Data with Master Planning: The Key to Digital Transformation</b> Gina Neilson, P.E. (Parsons), Peter Jauch, P.E. (LVVWD)	<b>Engineering Beneath the Surface</b> Katey Leatham, P.E. (Horrocks)
10:40 AM - 11:10 AM	<b>Exploring the City of Las Vegas Trail Network: Where's Jeremy?</b> Zelalem Alemu, P.E. (CLV)	<b>From Vision to Infrastructure: Bridging the Gap Between University Master Planning and Public Works Reality</b> Amber Lopez Lasater (NSU), Kelvin Haywood (TSK Architects)	<b>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) Overview</b> Erin Eurek, P.E. (TX), ADAC (Kimley-Horn)
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM	<b>Lunch &amp; Keynote Speaker</b> (General Session) <b>Keynote Speaker: Matt Donnelly - The Mind Noodler (Comedy Magician)</b> The Las Vegas Review Journal recently named Matt Donnelly, "Las Vegas's Best Up and Coming Comedy Magician". His act, The Mind Noodler has been dazzling audiences across the North America with his unique and hilarious brand of magic and one of a kind story. Many years ago while working as head writer on Penn & Teller Fool Us, Penn Jillette challenged Matt to learn one trick. He said "It's harder that you think...but you might be better at it than you think". So he did learn one trick...from 7 different magicians! He put all 7 tricks together and made his first show.		
12:35 PM - 1:05 PM	<b>Recommendations for Safety, Efficiency, and Awareness of Workzones using Collaboration and Technology</b> Lee Mixon, P.E., Brian Hoeft, P.E. (Mixon Hill)	<b>Small Talk Fears</b> Celine Bannourah (Westwood)	<b>Making Infrastructure Last Longer - Corrosion and Corrosion Management 101</b> Dale Lindemuth, P.E. (Corrpro)
1:10 PM - 2:10 PM	<b>Final Stabilization Panel Discussion</b> (General Session) Panel: Troy Hildreth (LVP), Robert Zinkevich (NDEP), Katrinka Byers (CCDES), Andrew Kirk (CCDES), Damon Lindsay (CCDES), Jennifer Thomason (Tract)		
2:20 PM - 3:20 PM	<b>ROADeo Finals</b> (M Resort East Parking Lot) <i>Moderated by Jimmy Floyd, P.E. (Pioneer Construction &amp; Engineering Services)</i>		
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM	<b>Project of the Year</b> (Sagebrush, Milan Room 7) <i>Moderated by Andrew Howard, P.E. (Westwood)</i>		
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	<b>Cocktails and Social Hour</b> (Vendor Area)		
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	<b>Banquet Dinner &amp; Awards Ceremony</b> (General Sessions) <i>Homecoming Attire Recommended</i>		
9:00 PM	<b>YP Hosted After Party</b> (Parkway Tavern)		
FRIDAY 4/3			
TBD	<b>YP Event - Rinker Tour</b> (TBD)		
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Exhibitor Breakdown</b> (Vendor Area)		
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	<b>Golf Tournament</b> (The Revere Golf Club)		
4:00 PM	<b>Golf Conclusion and Awards</b> (The Revere Golf Club)		