



TALKING POINTS

March 2025

US GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

- » The APWA *Washington Report* will publish every week in March.
- » Follow the APWA Government Affairs team every day on [X](#) and [LinkedIn](#).
- » One last reminder: please welcome your US Representative and Senators to the 119th Congress. It's quick and easy. Just [click here](#).

EXECUTIVE OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- » Members interested in reviewing the bulleted summary from the February 6-7 APWA Board of Directors meeting may do so by [clicking here](#).
- » The deadline to [submit a committee nomination](#) is March 21.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

Order Your 2025 National Public Works Week Poster!



This year's theme, "People, Purpose, Presence," highlights three cornerstone ideals that motivate public works professionals to serve in their communities every day. Many times, public works professionals will never meet those whose lives have been impacted because when things are going right, no one knows that public works is there. Yet, with or without fanfare, public works is ever present, working in the background to advance quality of life for all.

National Public Works Week (NPWW) posters make great visual displays in your agency office or throughout your community. Order your 2025 NPWW poster in the APWA Store today! Prices include free shipping.

Member: \$21 | **Nonmember:** \$27

Visit [APWA.org/npww](https://www.apwa.org/npww) to find more information about NPWW, May 18-24, 2025.

ACCREDITATION

- » Greeley, Colorado Public Works Department. 7th accreditation
- » Surprise, Arizona Public Works Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Surprise, Arizona Transportation Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Surprise, Arizona Water Resources Management Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Surprise, Arizona Community Development Department. 2nd accreditation
- » Bloomfield, Connecticut Department of Public Works. 3rd accreditation.

2025 APWA Awards Deadlines

March 3, 2025

Top Ten Public Works Leaders of the Year, Public Works Projects of the Year, and all other awards except the PACE

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

Solid Waste Summit

March 13, 2025

The Solid Waste Summit is a live virtual program focused on maintaining a healthy fleet and reducing downtime in solid waste management.

[Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

Lock in Your Early Bird Rate!

2025 North American Snow Conference

April 6–9, 2025



Save money on the Snow Conference by registering before March 4, 2025. New details about #Show4Snow

have been added to the website, including a justification toolkit, information on six Technical Learning Tours and workshops, and much more.

[Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

WEBINARS AND MORE

In the Driver's Seat with Mary Joyce Ivers

March 20, 2025

Unlock the secrets to effective leadership and management in public works! Attendees will learn from Mary Joyce Ivers—deputy public works director and APWA Past President—about innovative leadership and building trust within yourself and team.

[Click here](#) to learn more and register.

MUTCD 11th Edition: Key Updates on Pavement Markings, Signage, and Pedestrian Safety

April 17, 2025

This follow-up Click, Listen, and Learn program will delve into the latest updates in the 11th edition of the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)*.

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

CERTIFICATION

We are launching a certification testimonial campaign! By showcasing achievements and sharing stories, participants can highlight their skills, build a stronger community, and help attract potential candidates. For more information, please contact the certification team at certification@apwa.org.

Accreditation Open Forum—Documentation Demystified

April 22, 2025

Join our panel of experienced accreditation evaluators as they discuss the best practices for selecting and organizing documentation, including what types of materials are most useful and how to avoid common pitfalls.

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Facilities and Grounds Management Certificate

April 22, 24, 29 and May 1, 2025

This live virtual certificate program will cover the basics that professionals in facilities and grounds need to understand to perform their jobs effectively. The program provides training and real-life experiences in the areas of ADA compliance, grounds maintenance, preventative maintenance, capital improvement planning, and more.

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

Chapter Certificate Programs

Chapters interested in offering the Winter Maintenance Operator and/or the Winter Maintenance Supervisor certificates, the Facilities and Grounds Management Certificate, and the Public Fleet Management Certificate should contact education@apwa.org.

NEW RESOURCES

Updated! Green Infrastructure Toolbox

The [Green Infrastructure Toolbox](#)—created by APWA's Water Resources Management Committee, Asset Management Committee, and Sustainability and Resiliency Committee—is an overview for individuals new to this area of public works. It can also be used to educate residents and the governing body of your agency.