

## **New England Chapter – APWA**

### **2022 CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

The New England Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) invites the submission of abstracts for professional presentations at its 2022 Chapter Conferences and Workshops as follows:

- ✓ *Spring Conference (April)*
- ✓ *Summer Conference (June)*
- ✓ *Combined Fall Conference with Snow & Ice Workshop (October)*

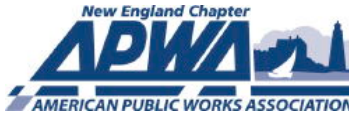
**The following topics/issues are of interest to our membership:**

#### **PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION**

- Labor relations and employee retention
- Public presentation techniques
- Financing and budgeting public projects
- Communication with elected officials, residents, and employees
- Media relations

#### **STATE OF THE ART OPERATIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES**

- Roads, streets, bridges (pavement performance and maintenance, work-zone safety)
- Traffic engineering (street/intersection design, traffic calming, pedestrian safety, etc.)
- Winter operations (snow and ice)
- Water and wastewater systems and issues
- Storm water management and regulatory compliance
- Flood and erosion control
- Climate Change and its impact on public works infrastructure
- Facilities management (maintenance practices, energy management, inventory systems, condition assessments)
- New and renovated facility design and construction, including green features, LEED certifications, etc.)
- Fleet services and management (maintenance and replacement strategies, green fleet issues, emissions reduction, shop and parts management, and issues impacting mechanics, etc.)
- Urban forestry (trees and vegetation, sidewalk issues, tree replacement programs, recycling green waste, vegetation composting, etc.)
- Construction management (project management, project delivery systems, bidding, etc.)
- Solid waste management and recycling
- Drone/UAS Applications for Public Works



## **BOOTS ON THE GROUND TOPICS**

- Storm damage response, recovery, and reconstruction
- Generator preventative maintenance
- Infrastructure resiliency
- Equipment maintenance and repair
- Work order management
- Hand-held device technologies
- Communication systems

**Presentations should be approximately 40 minutes, with 10 minutes allowed for discussion and/or questions.**

**Continuing Education Units (CEU's) will be provided to attendees.**

These conferences and workshops provide information regarding Public Works' response to emerging trends related to the economy, society, energy, technological advances, population demographics, politics, etc., including lessons learned and "how we did it" case studies.

Presentations slanted as "commercials" for consultants or vendors will not be accepted. Consultants and vendors are encouraged to collaborate and co-present with Public Works officials.

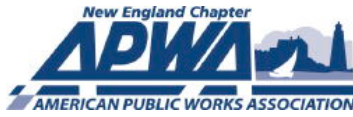
NEAPWA is not able to accommodate specific date requests. Please make sure that all speakers have the flexibility to present at any of the NEAPWA 2022 meetings.

**Selection of Presentations:** All abstracts are reviewed and evaluated by a committee comprised of NEAPWA Education Committee members representing various public works functions. The evaluation process is competitive.

Your success in the selection process depends on how well your abstract:

- Describes the learning objectives, which must be clearly stated, along with how the attendees will benefit from the information presented
- Provides take-away knowledge that can be applied by participants in their day-to-day work settings
- Addresses new ways of thinking, emerging trends, innovative strategies, and methodologies
- Meets APWA's criteria for Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

**Due Date:** All submittals must be sent electronically by **December 20, 2021** to Donna Shea, Co-Chair of the Education Committee - [donna.shea@uconn.edu](mailto:donna.shea@uconn.edu)



## APWA Education Abstract Format

To be considered for participation in a 2022 program, please prepare an abstract that includes the following mandatory sections:

### Section 1 – Presenter Information (Please provide information for each presenter)

Name	
Title	
Organization	
Address	
Email	
Phone	

### Section 2 – Abstract

Title of Presentation	
200 – 300 word description of presentation	

### Section 3 – Target Audience (Required for CEU approval)

One sentence description
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### Section 4 – Learning Objectives (Required for CEU approval) Please list three (3)

Complete the sentence: "At the conclusion of the presentation, participants will be able to..."
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