

AMOTIA 17TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA

The Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach Hotel, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
November 4 – 6, 2026

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

PUBLIC AGENCY FORUM MEETING:
OPENING RECEPTION:

BEST PRACTICES WORKSHOP:
SAFETY COMMITTEE:

7:30 AM	GOLF OUTING
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	SAFETY COMMITTEE
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	REGISTRATION
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	PUBLIC AGENCY FORUM (<i>open to attendees from state agencies and toll road agencies</i>)
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	BEST PRACTICES WORKSHOP
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	OPENING RECEPTION - Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach Hotel
DINNER	ON YOUR OWN

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

MEETING ROOM:
RECEPTION/DINNER:

BREAKFAST/LUNCH:

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	WELCOME <i>Peter Loughlin, AMOTIA, Executive Director</i> <i>Abe Henningsgaard, AMOTIA, President</i> <i>Will Watts, Texas DOT, Chief Operations Officer, Assistant Secretary (Invited)</i>
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	A VIEW FROM THE TOP <i>Stephen Brich, Virginia DOT, Commissioner</i> <i>Carl Johnson, Texas DOT, Chief Engineer</i> <i>Andrew Heath, Georgia DOT, Deputy Commissioner</i> <i>Will Reid, Tennessee DOT, Commissioner (Invited)</i> Moderator:
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	KEY DRIVERS OF A SUCCESSFUL ASSET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM <i>Jamie Waller, Tennessee DOT, Director of Maintenance</i> <i>Jason Baker, Tennessee DOT, Region 4 Director & Assistant Chief Engineer (Invited)</i> <i>Ron Meade, Florida DOT, District 5 District Maintenance Engineer (Invited)</i> Moderator:
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	BREAK
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	THE RELENTLESS FOCUS ON SAFETY AMOTIA Safety Award Moderator:
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	LUNCH
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	BUILT DIFFERENT: THE WORKFORCE BEHIND AMERICA'S NEXT ECONOMY <i>Dr. Chris Laney, Lightcast, Vice President of Public Policy Impact & Labor Economist</i> Moderator:
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM	THE IMPORTANCE OF LEADERSHIP

Moderator:

CONFERENCE AGENDA (continued)

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	BREAK
3:00 PM – 3:45 PM	THE IMPACT OF THE MIDTERM ELECTIONS ON THE CONGRESS, STATE DOTs, & THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY PROGRAM <i>Jim Tymon, AASHTO, Executive Director</i> Interview with Peter Loughlin, AMOTIA
3:45 PM – 4:30 PM	HOW TOLL AGENCIES & TOLL OPERATORS BENEFIT FROM ASSET MAINTENANCE <i>Steve Scanlon, Transurban, Senior Manager, Asset Management and Maintenance</i> Moderator:
5:15 PM	BUSES LEAVE HOTEL FOR EVENT AT SHOOTER'S ON THE WATER
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM	RECEPTION AND DINNER AT SHOOTER'S ON THE WATER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

MEETING ROOM:

BREAKFAST:

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	BREAKFAST
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	WELCOME TO FINAL DAY OF CONFERENCE <i>Abe Henningsgaard, AMOTIA President</i>
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	BIG YEAR FOR P3s <i>Bryan Ledford, Tennessee DOT, Major Project Bureau Chief (Invited)</i> <i>Tim Mathews, Georgia DOT, P3 Division Director (Invited)</i> <i>Andrew Doyle, HNTB, Associate Vice-President, Director – Advisory</i> <i>Matt Pierce, SR 400 Peach Partners, COO</i> Moderator:
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	HOW ASSET MAINTENANCE COMPLIMENTS ASSET MANAGEMENT <i>Scott Rawlins, Rawlins Infra Consult, LLC, Owner</i> <i>Matt Haubrich, HDR, Transportation System Asset Management</i> Moderator:
10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	THE PREPARATION & EXECUTION OF THE FIFA WORLD CUP 2026 <i>Raymond Valido, Florida DOT, District 6 Maintenance Engineer</i> <i>Irene Cabral, Florida DOT, Emergency Coordination Officer (Invited)</i> <i>Sam Harris, Georgia DOT, State Traffic Engineer</i> <i>Emily Fish, Georgia DOT, Assistant State Maintenance Engineer – Emergency Operations</i> Moderator:
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	TECHNOLOGY ENHANCES ASSET MAINTENANCE <i>Chris Henry, Texas DOT, Maintenance Division Deputy Director</i> <i>Ana Efremova, TAKELEAP, Principal & Managing Partner CEO (North America)</i> <i>Mark Pittman, Blyncsy, CEO (Invited)</i> Moderator:
11:15 AM – 11:45 AM	AUTONOMOUS & REMOTE TECHNOLOGIES – UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION AND MOWING <i>Jose Darsin, Resolve Maring, Executive Director of Global Operations</i> <i>Todd Zimmerman, Kress, Senior Vice President NA Sales & Commercial Operations</i> Moderator:
12:00 PM	ADJOURN