

# AMOTIA 17<sup>TH</sup> 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:**

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

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

**MEETING ROOM:**  
**RECEPTION/DINNER:**

**BREAKFAST/LUNCH:**

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

*Jim Tymon, AASHTO, Executive Director*

Interview with Peter Loughlin, AMOTIA

3:45 PM – 4:30 PM      **HOW TOLL AGENCIES & TOLL OPERATORS BENEFIT FROM ASSET MAINTENANCE**

*Steve Scanlan, Transurban, Asset Maintenance Senior Manager*

*Greg Ramey, North Texas Toll Authority (NTTA), Assistant Director of Maintenance Department*

*Bryce Rainey, Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX), Director of Maintenance*

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**

*Abe Henningsgaard, AMOTIA President*

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM      **BIG YEAR FOR P3s**

*Bryan Ledford, Tennessee DOT, Major Project Bureau Chief (Invited)*

*Tim Mathews, Georgia DOT, P3 Division Director (Invited)*

*Andrew Doyle, HNTB, Associate Vice-President, Director – Advisory*

*Matt Pierce, SR 400 Peach Partners, COO*

Moderator:

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM      **HOW ASSET MAINTENANCE COMPLIMENTS ASSET MANAGEMENT**

*Scott Rawlins, Rawlins Infra Consult, LLC*

*Matt Haubrich, HDR, Transportation Asset Maintenance Principal*

Moderator:

10:00 AM – 10:45 AM      **THE PREPARATION & EXECUTION OF THE FIFA WORLD CUP 2026**

*Raymond Valido, Florida DOT, District 6 Maintenance Engineer*

*Irene Cabral, Florida DOT, Emergency Coordination Officer*

*Sam Harris, Georgia DOT, State Traffic Engineer*

*Emily Fish, Georgia DOT, Assistant State Maintenance Engineer – Emergency Operations*

Moderator:

10:45 AM – 11:15 AM      **TECHNOLOGY ENHANCES ASSET MAINTENANCE**

*Chris Henry, Texas DOT, Maintenance Division Deputy Director*

*Ana Efremova, TAKELEAP, Principal & Managing Partner | CEO (North America)*

*Adam Freeman, Bentley Systems, Inc., Operations and GIS Delivery Manager*

Moderator:

11:15 AM – 11:45 AM      **AUTONOMOUS & REMOTE TECHNOLOGIES – UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION AND MOWING**

*Jose Darsin, Resolve Maring, Executive Director of Global Operations*

*Todd Zimmerman, Kress, Senior Vice President Sales & Commercial Operations*

Moderator:

12:00 PM

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