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**APWA Hosts a Discussion with Dr. Michael T. Osterholm, PhD, MPH  
on COVID-19 and its Impact on our Communities**

**Kansas City, MO – September 15, 2020** – Today, the American Public Works Association (APWA) hosted a conversation with Dr. Michael T. Osterholm, PhD, MPH, Director of the University of Minnesota’s Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP) and APWA members on COVID-19 and its impact on our communities.

“As First Responders, public works professionals are in a unique position to support their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our members continue to provide waste management services, clean drinking water, and ensure our nation’s critical infrastructure is operated and maintained in a safe way despite all of the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic,” said APWA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Scott D. Grayson, CAE.



“It is important for our members, who are on the frontlines, to learn from Dr. Osterholm about scientific data to support a safe reopening of our economy, especially because our members play a critical role in public health. We are so fortunate to have been able to convene this discussion between Dr. Osterholm and our members,” said APWA President Mary Joyce Ivers.

The conversation was recorded and will be made available on our website, [www.apwa.net](http://www.apwa.net). Please be sure to subscribe to the *APWA Reporter*, and follow [@APWATWEETS](https://twitter.com/APWATWEETS) and [@APWAGovAffairs](https://twitter.com/APWAGovAffairs) on Twitter to watch for new features.

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## **About APWA**

The American Public Works Association ([www.apwa.net](http://www.apwa.net)) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 30,000 members involved in the field of public works. APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy, and the exchange of knowledge. APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, MO, has an office in Washington, D.C., and 63 chapters and 97 branches throughout North America.

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