E-Learning Courses Make Learning Easy

APWA's eLearning courses allows our members to access their eLearning purchases, view content, complete evaluations and track and report their progress from our eLearning Portal. Courses are available for sale through the APWA online store and can be purchased separately or in a program bundle at a discounted price! For more information, contact us at lms@apwa.net.

Construction Inspection 201: Project Management

This 24-course program was designed for individuals who are interested in building their skillset in project management — as it applies to work performed in the construction inspection profession. This program provides general guidelines for the various areas needed to maintain professionalism and competence. Check out our YouTube video: https://youtu.be/Wq5FOe6GMql

Ethics for Public Works Professionals

This course is designed for individuals that are interested in exploring ethics, as it applies personally and professionally. This course provides practical advice on ethics and emphasizes the importance of ethical behavior in personal and professional interactions. It provides real-world examples, as well as advice in dealing with the non-technical aspects of our profession. Check out our YouTube video: https://youtu.be/qQu3QVjkZ0s

Ethics for Public Works Supervisors

This course is designed for individuals that are interested in exploring ethics, as it applies to supervision and management. Ethics are complicated. Sometimes public works professionals are faced with difficult public policy choices that may stretch our ethical boundaries. Leading in the context of our own ethics is challenging enough, but leaders must also manage the ethics of others and discover how to create and maintain an ethical culture. Check out our YouTube video: https://youtu.be/qQu3QVjkZ0s

Public Works Math 101: Calculating Concrete and Asphalt

When it comes to calculating the amount of concrete to pour or asphalt to spread, you can’t afford an “Oops!” moment because you over- or under-estimated how much you needed. If—like most of us—you slept through high school geometry, and “volume” refers to how loud the TV is, and “area” describes the rug on your dining room floor, APWA can help you brush up on your math skills. Check out our YouTube video: https://youtu.be/3XRSoOZwFZ4

Habits of Dysfunctional Leaders

Identify, manage and avoid dysfunctional leadership habits. Leadership teams can be an organization’s greatest strength or its greatest weakness, based on leadership styles and habits. This course will help leaders identify areas that may need improvement. It will also help employees identify dysfunctional leaders and determine how to successfully work with individuals who employ these behaviors.

For more information go to www.apwa.net/elearning or send an email to lms@apwa.net.

Technical Committees Offer Opportunities For National Service

APWA has many volunteer committees that assist in the management of the association and its work. The most substantial of these are the technical committees whose members volunteer their time and expertise to specific public works areas. APWA has adopted this structure to ensure that the association remains responsive to the needs of its members and the communities they serve.

APWA technical committees offer members the opportunity of public service on a national scale by providing education to public works professionals on the latest topics and trends. Committees contribute articles for the APWA Reporter, present ‘Click, Listen and Learn’ webinars, provide education sessions at the North American Snow Conference, PWX and much more.

To review the work of the committees, visit the APWA website at www.apwa.net/technicalcommittees and click on each committee name to learn more. The website includes the committee’s roster, subcommittees, knowledge teams, guidance statements and conference call meeting summaries.

Interested parties may nominate themselves for consideration for a committee appointment at any time between June and March by going to www.apwa.net/nominations. Appointments are made annually by the APWA President-Elect each April for the following August-July term. Once appointments are made and accepted, the online nominations process is reopened.

The opportunity to participate on a national level also exists through subcommittee or knowledge team at any time during the year. For specific questions, contact the committee chair or staff liaison listed on the web pages.

Committees include:

- Asset Management
- Emergency Management
- Engineering & Technology
- Facilities & Grounds
- Fleet Management
- Leadership & Management
- Solid Waste Management
- Transportation
- Utility & Public Rights-of-Way
- Water Resources Management
MAKE PLANS TO BE IN CLEVELAND FOR APWA’S ANNUAL SNOW CONFERENCE!
Many Great Opportunities for Vendors to Market Your Products and Services

Exhibiting Opportunities

2020 PWX, August 30-September 2
New Orleans, LA

This annual event is the largest public works equipment exposition in North America, drawing nearly 6,000 participants and featuring more than 125 educational and technical sessions. More than 400 companies typically exhibit at this event in approximately 80,000 square feet of exhibit space! The schedule provides special “non-compete” time slots set aside for attendees to visit the exhibits and have lunch without leaving the exhibit floor. Additional information is available by contacting Tony Hayes at 571-313-5793 or at thayes@taffyevents.com.

2020 North American Snow Conference, April 19-22, 2020
Cleveland, Ohio

This national specialty conference on snow and ice management draws more than 1,500 participants and more than 150 exhibiting companies showcasing their products, services, and equipment. The schedule provides special “non-compete” time slots set aside for attendees to visit the exhibits and have lunch. Additional information is available by contacting Lysa Byous at 1-800-848-2792, ext. 5243 or lbyous@apwa.net.

Local Chapter and Branch Events

Many of the 63 APWA chapters throughout the U.S. and Canada host local events that provide opportunities to display or even demonstrate products before a targeted local audience of public works professionals.

For local contact information, visit www.apwa.net/chapters and click on “Chapter Websites,” then select the chapters covering the area(s) where you are interested in exhibiting.

Advertise in The Reporter

The APWA Reporter serves as the primary communication tool uniting the community of public works professionals who make up APWA. The magazine is distributed monthly to all members of APWA and CPWA. Most editorial content includes articles by public works practitioners on such subjects as solid waste management, water resources, municipal engineering, transportation, equipment services, buildings and grounds, snow removal, and other public works-related topics. The magazine also features job openings, a calendar of important events, insightful editorials, seminar schedules and much more.

Visit www.apwa.net/Reporter to learn more about advertising in this multiple award-winning publication.

Utilize the APWA Mailing List

Rent APWA’s membership mailing list for your targeted marketing purposes. APWA corporate group members receive discounted pricing on orders of these targeted mailing lists. When you rent a list from the APWA national office, you can zero in on a particular segment of the membership by utilizing selection criteria such as:

- geographic region,
- job title,
- population range,
- type of organization,
- area of responsibility,
- any combination of the above.

Additional information about ordering and utilizing the APWA membership mailing lists is available at www.apwa.net/Mailing-List-Rental.

List Yourself as a Provider of Public Works Products or Services

The April issue of the APWA Reporter magazine includes the print Buyer’s Guide which contains contact information and product/service listings for all companies with Corporate Group membership (Heritage, Prestige, or Crown level group memberships).

And www.publicworksbuyersguide.com, APWA’s online buyer’s guide, gives special recognition to those with Corporate Group membership and those who exhibit at PWX.

Contact the Marketing department at 1-800-848-2792, for more information about how to get your company’s products or services listed in these buyer’s guides.

Interested in Advertising in or Writing for the APWA Reporter?

The deadline for inclusion in each issue of the monthly APWA Reporter is approximately six weeks before the issue date—for example, the deadline for the October issue would be in late August. Topics for upcoming issues include:

March: Solid Waste Management
- Solid Waste Collection and Disposal
- Recycling
- Waste Reduction
- Hazardous Waste
- Air Quality

April: Facilities and Grounds; Annual Buyer’s Guide
- Green Buildings/Sustainable Design
- Workplace Safety
- Accessibility
- Urban Forestry
- Grounds Management
- Facilities Security
- Facility Maintenance & Best Management Practices

May: Sustainability; Top Ten Public Works Leaders of the Year
- Retrofitting Existing Buildings Using Green Design; Developing Green Transportation for Smart Growth; Low-Impact Development

June: Engineering and Technology
- New Transportation Technologies
- Water/Security Monitors
- New Recycling Technologies
- Fuel Cells
- Emergency Management Technologies Based on Telecommunication
- New Construction Machinery

July: Transportation; Projects of the Year
- Road Maintenance
- Construction
- Traffic Controls & Signage
- Work Zone Safety
- Transit
- Street Lighting
- Paving Materials & Equipment

If you would like to contribute to the content of the APWA Reporter, contact Kevin Clark at 800-848-APWA, ext. 5230, or send e-mail to kclark@apwa.net.
Public Works “First Responder” Materials Available in APWA Store

In November 2017, the APWA Board of Directors approved the adoption of the above symbol for use throughout North America to identify public works personnel and acknowledge their federally-mandated role as first responders.

The American Public Works Association (APWA) officially announced the creation of a national “Public Works First Responder” symbol at the 2018 North American Snow Conference in Indianapolis.

The symbol is to be used throughout North America to recognize public works professionals’ federally mandated role as first responders.

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By displaying the symbol wherever appropriate, public works agencies can raise awareness among all citizens, government officials, and other first responders about the critical role public works plays in emergency management efforts. To ensure the symbol has maximum exposure in as many settings as possible—such as on fleet vehicles, license plates, letterhead, hard hats, uniforms, public buildings, and offices—APWA is making the symbol available in multiple formats at no cost to all public works agencies.

Public works agencies can obtain free access to the symbol’s artwork, as well as APWA’s simple guidelines for use of the symbol on the web or in all print formats, at www.apwa.net/firstresponder. Items displaying the symbol also may be purchased in the APWA Store at www.apwa.net/store.

For more information about the Public Works First Responder symbol, or about APWA, please contact Jared Shilhanek, Sr. Marketing & Communications Manager, at 816-595-5257 or jshilhanek@apwa.net.

Chapters and Branches Offer Local Education and Training Sessions

APWA has a network of 63 chapters located in virtually every metropolitan area, state, province and region in North America. Chapters deliver valuable, timely and relevant APWA educational, networking, and public service activities near where members work and live.

Many APWA chapters offer educational programs, Click, Listen & Learn® audio web conferences, symposiums, equipment shows, and other opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with public works professionals in your own community.

APWA membership automatically includes one year of membership in your local APWA or CPWA chapter. Chapter assignment is determined by the member’s mailing address.

Some chapters cover large jurisdictions and have formed branches to bring educational and networking opportunities to an even more specific geographic area. These branches operate under the oversight of the local chapter. Some branches have established branch dues to help support the programs they are offering in their specific geographic area, but branch membership is optional, so branch dues (if applicable) are not included with the national-chapter membership invoice. There are currently 96 branches, all offering ‘local’ education and training opportunities for the members.

Most APWA and CPWA chapters are run by volunteers. The chapter support team at the national office is ready to assist chapters and branches with day-to-day issues and to serve as a link between the national headquarters and the chapter/branch. They can be reached by email to chapter-support@apwa.net or by calling toll-free at 800-848-2792 (or 816-472-6100).

In addition, many APWA chapters have websites offering a wealth of local and national information. Go to www.apwa.net/chapters for links to chapter websites.

For more information about your local chapter, contact Rhonda Wilhite at 800-848-2792, ext. 5261, or send e-mail to rwilhite@apwa.net.

Fallen Heroes Honor Those Killed In the Line of Duty

Public works is a critical component of our society and everyday lives. Public works builds and maintains the communities and systems that improve our everyday lives, strives to protect citizens, visitors, and businesses of our communities, is an emergency first responder, and serves as “The Silent Arm of Public Safety”.

To honor the fallen, APWA now has a webpage that serves as a memorial to recognize and remember those who lost their lives in the line of duty while working as a public servant in public works. You can submit a memorial of someone who lost their life while serving your community in public works.

Contact APWA Member Services at 800-848-2792 or MemberServices@apwa.net with any questions.
P.W. Paws Stickers
PB.STIC1 (30 per sheet)
Member – $1.25 /Non $2.25

P.W. Paws Pencils
PB.A324 (Package of 12)
Member – $3 /Non $5
PB.A402 (Package of 100)
Member – $20 /Non $25
PB.A403 (Package of 250)
Member – $45 /Non $50
Not sold separately.

P.W. Paws Plush
PB.A313
Member $12 /Non $17

P.W. Paws Outreach Sampler
PB.A347
Member $15 /Non $20

P.W. Paws Rain of Terror
PB.A1213
Member $1.25 /Non $2.25

P.W. Paws Pencil Pouch
Size: 9 1/4" x 6"
PB.A832
Member $1.25 /Non $2.25

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PB.A324 (Package of 12)
Member – $3 /Non $5
PB.A402 (Package of 100)
Member – $20 /Non $25
PB.A403 (Package of 250)
Member – $45 /Non $50
Not sold separately.

P.W. Paws Balloons
PB.A312 (Package of 12)
Member – $3 /Non $5
PB.A405 (Package of 100)
Member – $20 /Non $25
PB.A406 (Package of 250)
Member – $45 /Non $50
Not sold separately.

P.W. Paws Stickers
PB.STIC1 (30 per sheet)
Member – $1.25 /Non $2.25

NEW! APWA Tumbler (20 oz)
PB.A1963
Member $18 /Non $23

Acrylic Tumbler (16oz)
PB.A1112
Member $9 /Non $14

APWA Bistro Ceramic Mug (16oz)
PB.A1700
Member $9 /Non $14

APWA Lunch Cooler
PB.A1701
Member $8 /Non $13

NEW! APWA Construction Hat #AQOLFA Stress Reliever
PB.A1961
Member $2.25 /Non $3.25

APWA Pen
PB.A300
Member $7 /Non $9

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APWA Padfolio
PB.A1300
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www.apwa.net/store or call 1-800-848-2792, ext. 5282
APWA Advocates: Making ‘THE Voice’ of Public Works Heard!

APWA members are critical stakeholders in transportation, water resiliency, infrastructure, emergency management, the environment, and sustainability. Policy makers need to hear from public works professionals in order to make informed policy decisions. APWA Advocates make it easier than ever to stay informed and get involved.

APWA Advocates is a U.S. grassroots advocacy network of members formed to promote APWA’s legislative priorities through outreach and education. The purpose of APWA Advocates is to provide a mechanism for APWA members in the U.S. to easily contact their Members of Congress and to share APWA’s public policy priorities. Join APWA Advocates today and make the voice of public works heard! To sign up, visit the APWA Legislative Action Center (LAC) http://cqrcengage.com/apwa/home.

The LAC is a platform for APWA Advocates to easily contact Members of Congress about public works-related legislation. After you join APWA Advocates, you will be contacted when needed to respond to action alerts and receive advocacy updates. More information about APWA Advocates and all APWA Government Affairs activities is available at: www.apwa.net/government-affairs.

Stay Informed:
- Read “Advocacy News” items posted on the front page of the APWA website;
- Click on the Government Affairs tab at www.apwa.net;
- Visit the APWA Legislative Action Center;
- Follow APWA Government Affairs on Twitter @APWAgovfairs;
- Click on the “Public Works Research” tab under ‘Government Affairs’ to access fact sheets and other public works-related research that can be useful in outreach to elected officials and to the media;
- Invite the APWA Government Affairs team to your chapter to lead an advocacy/media training.

Canadian Public Works Association — Association Canadienne des Travaux Publics

The Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA), or Association Canadienne des Travaux Publics (ACTP), was founded in 1986 to enhance the services of the American Public Works Association (APWA) to the Canadian public works community. Since that time, CPWA has become “the voice of public works in Canada.”

Who are CPWA members?
CPWA’s more than 2,250 members across Canada join APWA’s members across the United States to represent over 30,000 public works professionals in North America. These public works professionals plan, design, build, operate and maintain transportation, water supply, storm drainage, sewage and refuse disposal systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities and provide community services that are essential to Canada’s economy and quality of life.

How does CPWA advocate for public works?
Recognizing the need for national advocacy for public works, the eight member CPWA Board of Directors addresses national-level advocacy and outreach issues in Canada. CPWA has a history of involvement in national initiatives, such as the National Roundtable for Sustainable Infrastructure (NRTSI) and the National Asset Management Working Group, and was one of the four founding organizations that produced the Canadian Infrastructure Report Card (CIRC) in 2012 and 2016.

CPWA often works in collaboration with other stakeholders to highlight issues of mutual concern and to promote infrastructure as one of the economic drivers for the nation. The Government Affairs section of this website provides more information about CPWA’s advocacy efforts.

What’s Going on in DC?

For more information or assistance in creating a program for your chapter, or for more information about APWA’s U.S. advocacy and Government Affairs activities, please contact Andrea Eales, APWA’s Director of Government Affairs, at 202-218-6730 or aeales@apwa.net.

Members in Canada are also involved in public works advocacy at the federal level. The Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA) Board of Directors focuses on federal advocacy and is the “voice of public works” in Canada. You may find more information about CPWA and advocacy efforts in Canada at www.cpwa.net, or by contacting Anne Jackson at 1-800-848-2792, ext. 6750.

What about public outreach?
One of CPWA’s most visible public works outreach campaigns is National Public Works Week (NPWW). NPWW is a celebration of the tens of thousands of men and women in North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services collectively known as public works. NPWW seeks to inform both policymakers and the public about the essential services that public works provides and about the professionals who provide those services. Municipalities provide public tours, career fairs, equipment displays, and school visits. NPWW is observed each year during the third full week of May.

APWA members in Canada have access to eight chapters which provide a local connection with the association. The ‘Chapters’ section provides more information about CPWA chapters. Anyone interested in additional information can also contact Anne Jackson, Director of Sustainability and CPWA Advocacy, at ajackson@apwa.net or by calling 800-848-2792.
APWA Certification — Building a Better Tomorrow

APWA certification programs provide a strong benefit to the public works industry and ultimately to our communities by promoting experience and excellence leading to an improved workforce and improved delivery of services.

All programs include an eligibility application process, a computer–based test, and a recertification application process.

NEW THINKING, NEW CERTIFICATIONS
We are excited to announce two new Public Works Professional Leadership certifications. The CPWP-S and the CPWP-M launched at PWX 2018. Applications are now being accepted. Candidates are encouraged to review the eligibility qualifications and apply to be one of the first at your agency.

Certified Public Works Professional-Supervision (CPWP-S)
The CPWP-S is issued to recognize individuals in the public works field who have the knowledge and experience to become supervisors in a public works organization. The Certified Public Works Professional-Supervision is intended for front line employees, first-line supervisors and crew leaders or those who wish to advance.

Certified Public Fleet Professional (CPFP)
The CPFP is intended for the seasoned, career government public fleet manager, and for those with experience in the field who are interested in a credential that will promote a career in public fleet management. The purpose of the Certified Public Fleet Professional is to promote excellence in fleet management by advancing the knowledge and practice of public fleet professionals to benefit communities through quality fleet services.

Certified Public Infrastructure Inspector (CPII)
The CPII is intended for individuals that inspect the construction of public infrastructure and facilities and other types of construction work and materials to ensure compliance with plans and specifications. The purpose of the Certified Public Infrastructure Inspector is to promote quality infrastructure throughout the community by advancing the knowledge and practice of construction inspection to benefit the community and public agencies.

Certified Stormwater Manager (CSM)
The CSM is intended for experts in the public and private sectors who coordinate and implement stormwater management programs for city, county, state, provincial and federal agencies. The purpose of the Certified Stormwater Manager is to promote excellence and commitment to public service by advancing the knowledge and practice of stormwater management to benefit the community, public agencies, and the profession.

Learn more about the CPFP, CPII, CPWP-M, CPWP-S and CSM certifications at the certification tab on the www.apwa.net website or by emailing certification@apwa.net.

How about a Winter Maintenance Supervisor Certificate

The Winter Maintenance Supervisor Certificate is for supervisors and managers to:

- Expand knowledge of planning and preparation
- Increase understanding of winter weather
- Better use traditional & alternative chemicals
- Consider what equipment is available & how to maintain it
- Enhance communications with the public
- Improve training

This should result in more effective, efficient, equitable and environmentally-friendly snow and ice control.

For more information about the Winter Maintenance Supervisor Certificate, please contact Deanne Cross at dcross@apwa.net or 1-800-848-2792, ext. 5216 or go to www.apwa.net/certificateprograms.
What is an APWA Public Works Institute?

The APWA Public Works Institutes are educational programs offered by APWA through our chapters in the U.S. and Canada. The institutes concentrate on supervisory and management development by covering 11 core areas of study:

- Supervisory Techniques and Skills
- Basic Management Skills
- Communication Skills
- Leadership Skills
- Community Service/Customer Orientation Skills
- Impact of Law on Public Works
- Fundamentals of Government
- Finance
- Resource Management Skills
- Overview of Public Works Operations
- Creating the Future

Who benefits from attending an institute?

The ideal audience is “current first-line supervisors and up” and “those aspiring to become leaders within the profession.” Attendees receive a certificate of attendance, and CEU hours also are available through some institutes.

Where are these institutes?

APWA-approved Public Works Institute programs are offered at various locations throughout the United States; some are even offered online. Complete details about the institutes can be found at www.apwa.net/Institutes.

Emerging Leaders Academy: Leading the Future of Public Works

The Emerging Leaders Academy (ELA), currently in its 12th year, is a program designed for those with 10 or fewer years of experience in the Public Works field and/or with three or fewer years of supervisory experience. The program focuses on providing participants with a better understanding of leadership within the industry and gaining valuable insights and skills to be a successful leader and supervisor within the field.

The program is a year-long commitment, commencing with a two-day retreat in Kansas City at the APWA National Office in the Fall and culminating with a group presentation at PWX the following year. Throughout the year, the class has monthly conference calls and homework geared towards helping them understand the various aspects of the Public Works field and how to navigate common supervisory, ethical, and leadership challenges within the industry.

Each year, the program is tailored to the needs and work challenges of the class participants, uniquely addressing their specific growth and professional development needs.

Applications for the 2019-2020 class are currently available with an August 2, 2019 submission deadline. For more information about the Emerging Leaders Academy, please contact ela@apwa.net or visit www.apwa.net/emergingleaders.
Objectives & Benefits Identified by Accredited Agencies

As you take the next step in the Accreditation journey, consider the objectives your agency has for becoming an accredited agency. Setting objectives requires making tough decisions and addressing realities.

What are the agency’s strengths and weaknesses? Is there duplication or wasted efforts in the day-to-day processes? Do employees know what their expectations are? Objectives are there to guide you and your employees toward becoming a well-managed, proactive agency dedicated to continuous improvement.

The top five objectives identified by public works and utility agencies of all sizes include:

- Establishment of a voluntary review process for public works agencies with responsibility for management of infrastructure and services;
- Generating commitment to continuous improvement in the delivery of public operations and services;
- Aiding in the development of a success plan;
- Ensuring policies, procedures and practices are current and effective;
- Instilled pride among agency staff, elected officials and the local community.

Benefits from achieving accreditation status vary from agency to agency. Every year agencies share how the process has benefited their agency, organization and community. One or more of these benefits may be recognized by your agency:

- Potential for lowering insurance premiums
- Possibility of increased funding approvals
- Promotion of better understanding of the public works operation
- Prospect of improved efficiencies
- Identified employee training

Recognizing these benefits to achieving accreditation serves as the incentive to get started in the self-assessment process.

Learn more about the Accreditation Program by visiting www.apwa.net/accreditation.

APWA Accreditation Can Provide the Recognition Your Agency Deserves

What is the APWA Accreditation?
The purpose of Accreditation is to promote and recognize the excellence in the operation and management of your public works agency. APWA’s Accreditation designation is the results of completing a self-assessment process involving a review and comparison of your existing documentation to recommended practices in the Public Works Management Practices Manual.

How does my agency get started?
Every agency has their ideas on where to get started. There is no wrong starting point. Consider these options to learn all you can about the Accreditation program.

- Visit the APWA Accreditation webpage;
- Purchase the Public Works Management Practices Manual & Software;
- Reach out to accredited agencies to learn about their experience and ideas that worked and failed;
- Contact APWA staff to ask questions and receive a software tutorial;
- Host a self-assessment workshop.

Get started by hosting a Self-Assessment Workshop. Learn who should be involved, what are the benefits, why are agencies becoming accredited, and how to complete the process. Contact staff at accreditation@apwa.net.
Young Professionals Committee now in its Third Year

The APWA Young Professionals (YP) committee is now in its third year as a Standing Committee of APWA. The group has had a great deal of success in its first two years, completing tasks related to its mission of creating opportunities for engagement of students, young professionals and emerging leaders. Presentations at PWX, APWA’s international exposition and conference, have showcased the segment of the membership as presenters, and subject matter experts.

Completed tasks include assisting APWA staff with a content rich young professional’s webpage (http://www2.apwa.net/DR/index.asp?ID=8740), young professional involvement in public works awareness, developing and celebrating young professionals’ success, student outreach materials and marketing, and the young professional experience at PWX.

The YP webpage is now rich with educational content, aimed at helping other young members increase their knowledge of the profession.

Looking to the future, the Young Professionals Committee has plans for a national YP Summit, that would bring chapter YP liaisons together in Kansas City for a day of training, increasing YP education and credentialing and finally to refine the recognition of the YP segment of APWA’s membership.

Anyone with an interest in volunteering on one of these task forces, feel free to reach out to one of the committee members.

The committee was formed in 2017 with nine individuals, one from each of the APWA Regions. 2020 committee members are:

- **Region VIII** – April Miller, Project Manager, BKF Engineers, San Rafael, CA, Northern California Chapter, amiller@bKF.com
- **Region I** – Frank Marinaccio, Project Engineer, BETA Group, Lincoln, RI, New England Chapter, FMarinaccio@BETA-Inc.com
- **Region II** – Michael Altieri, Civil Engineer, Bernieri, Carr and Associates, Watertown, NY, New York Chapter, maltieri@thebcgroup.com
- **Region III** – Amy Linderman, Engineer III, Fairfax County PW, Annandale, VA, Mid-Atlantic Chapter, amy.linderman@fairfaxcounty.gov
- **Region IV** – Cate Thompson, Florida Regional Engineer, Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc., Neptune Beach, FL, Florida Chapter, cate.thompson@ads-pipe.com
- **Region V** – Eric Dundee, Director of Wastewater Operations & Reliability, Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District, Madison, WI, Wisconsin Chapter (former chair), ericd@madsewer.org
- **Region VI** – Kati Horner Gonzalez, City Engineer, City of Independence, MO, KC Metro Chapter, khorner@indepmo.org
- **Region VII** – Fred Lopez, Creosote Collaborative, LLC, El Paso, TX, Texas Chapter, fred@creosotecollaborative.com
- **Region IX** – Tyler Christian, Water Quality/CCS, City of Monroe, WA, Washington State Chapter, tchristian@monroewa.gov

APWA Board Liaison, Sean O’Dell, Region V Director, Vice-President, Baxter & Woodman, Inc., SODell@baxterwoodman.com

For more information on your region, go to the YP website: http://www2.apwa.net/DR/index.asp?ID=8740

For more information about the committee and how to get involved, contact Bad Patterson, APWA staff liaison, at bpatterson@apwa.net.

Council of Chapters’ Delegates Provide Valuable Guidance

For more than 50 years, APWA chapter representatives called delegates and alternate delegates served as members of the House of Delegates. Working with regional directors as liaisons the delegates served as the communication liaison between chapters and APWA. Each of the delegates and alternate delegates have been part of a group that was the vehicle for disseminating information association-wide to and from members within the APWA network of chapters.

In 2013, the Board of Directors discussed ways the House of Delegates could take a more active role to address key strategic priorities of the association and how the House of Delegates could serve as an advisory body to the Board and staff. In 2014, the Council of Chapters was created.

**Council Leadership**

The Council of Chapters is led by a nine-member steering committee consisting of one delegate from each of the nine APWA regions.

The Steering Committee serves as a resource to the Council of Chapters’ work groups, guides the work of the Council, and serves as a liaison from the Council to the Board of Directors and staff. The Steering Committee monitors the Council goals and initiatives and aligns the Council goals to support the APWA strategic plan.

**Council Delegate**

The Council of Chapters delegate serves in various roles to support APWA’s strategic plan.

In 2017, APWA introduced its new strategic plan. This plan provided the Council of Chapters the opportunity to create focus groups and task forces selected to address strategic activities aligned to the plan. The focus groups and task forces serve in an ad-hoc capacity to provide insight, suggestions and solutions for APWA to implement the strategic activities and operational tactics outlined.

The Council of Chapters meets biannually in the winter and summer. The summer meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 29 in New Orleans. The Summer Council meeting is held in conjunction with PWX, APWA’s International Exposition and Conference.

For more information about the Council of Chapters, please contact Ashley Wilson at 1-816-332-5232 or by e-mail at awilson@apwa.net.
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2020 Jennings Randolph International fellows Selected

The American Public Works Association (APWA), is pleased to introduce the 2020 Jennings Randolph International Fellows: Douglas Singer and Emily Tritsch, who will be participating in this unique international study and professional exchange opportunity to promote collaboration and the sharing of public works best practices.

Douglas Singer
Principal Civil Engineer
City of Eugene, OR
Swedish Public Works Association Conference, September 14-15, 2020, Malmo, Sweden

In urban planning, it is challenging to establish the value of nature as compared with economic or social values, and to consider natural areas in asset management systems. Eugene is embarking on an initiative to use asset management tools with an ecological services perspective to establish values for natural assets in balance with social and economic factors. Douglas is on a team to develop these systems.

The Swedes and the Danes have created asset management criteria to establish the value of natural systems using the ecosystem services perspective for urban planning.

The objective of this study tour is to engage in a knowledge exchange with Swedish and Danish experts pertaining to their successes and challenges using asset management to implement stormwater and flood control projects using the ecosystem services approach. Their experience will provide practical insights to inform the development of our asset management tools and will be invaluable in realizing our goal of implementing an ecosystem services plan.

Emily Tritsch
Asset Manager
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Swedish Public Works Association Conference, September 14-15, 2020, Malmo, Sweden

This study tour will explore best practices in asset renewal optimization considering infrastructure data, as well as community priorities. Prioritization methods for asset reinvestment will be evaluated, including a triple bottom line approach looking at social, environmental, and economic targets as identified by the community and decision-makers.

The tour also seeks to exchange ideas about community engagement, including how stakeholders are provided the opportunity to offer feedback on asset performance and recommend desired service levels. Together we will consider various approaches and develop a tool to evaluate, weight, and rank asset investments that can adjust with community and political priorities.

In addition to their studies abroad and presentations at partner countries’ public works conferences, both Jennings Randolph International Fellows will share their experiences through presentations to local and regional organizations and at APWA’s PWX and in future APWA publications.

APWA Center for Sustainability (C4S) — The Foundation of Sustainable Communities

The mission of C4S is to deliver resources, education, advocacy, and member engagement for public works professionals to implement environmentally, economically and socially responsible projects and services. Recognizing that community sustainability involves all areas of public works, C4S works with APWA Technical Committees and others to identify, develop and share tools and innovative best practices for sustainability in public works. C4S brings these resources to APWA through its Sustainability Toolkit (http://sustainabilitytoolkit.apwa.net/), Sustainability Works blog (http://www3.apwa.net/centerforsustainability/blog/Posts), monthly In the Know features on APWA’s homepage, social media (@apwac4s), Click, Listen & Learn and other education and training opportunities, the Sustainability Issue of The Reporter, and engagement with chapters.

To connect your chapter with C4S, contact Anne Jackson at ajackson@apwa.net. To see how sustainability practices are being implemented in public works, visit the C4S website http://www.apwa.net/centerforsustainability.
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