Monday, May 21-Wednesday, May 23, 2012
Hyatt Regency Washington Capitol Hill

Monday, May 21, 2012– Concord/Lexington Room

8:00 a.m.  Breakfast - Hosted

9:00  Welcome Remarks - John Roberts - Professional Engineers in CA Government (PECG)

9:30  Ed Wytkind - President, Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO

10:00 Congressional Discussion: What are the Issues Facing Congress - 2012 Transportation Authorization, Financing, Accountability, and Safety
Moderator: Ted Toppin - Professional Engineers in California Government (PECG)
  • Brendan Danaher - Legislative Representative, Transportation Trades Department
  • Ian Jeffries – Democratic Staff Member, Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee
  • Chris Schloesser – Legislative Director, Representative Donna Edwards (D-MD)

11:00  Panel and Discussion: Developments at Highway Departments Throughout the Nation
Moderator: Mary Richards - Massachusetts Organization of State Engineers and Scientists (MOSES)
  • Bruce Blanning - PECG
  • Charlie Benn/Mike Maguire - AFSCME Council 13 Pennsylvania
  • Joe Dorant - Massachusetts Organization of State Engineers and Scientists (MOSES)
  • Anissia Goodwin - Ohio Civil Service Employees Association Local 11, Columbus

12:00 p.m.  Lunch - Hosted

1:30  John Porcari - Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation

2:00  Public Private Partnerships, Update on Efforts to Oppose Privatization, Protect Workers and Taxpayers Around the Nation
Moderator: Dennis Houlihan - American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
  • Sue Esty - Legislative Director, AFSCME Maryland
  • Shar Habibi - Director, In the Public Interest
  • Alan van der Hilst - Analyst, Congressional Budget Office

3:00  Break

3:30-5:00  Communications Workshop: Promoting Public Services
  • Korey Hartwich - Strategic Communications, AFSCME
  • Elisa McBride - Director of Education and Leadership Training, AFSCME

6:30  NASHTU Dinner - We, the Pizza Restaurant, 305 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE (www.wethepizza.com)
Tuesday, May 22, 2012 – Concord/Lexington Room

8:30 a.m.  Breakfast - Hosted

9:00  Pension Counterattacks, Responding to Assaults on Pension and Retirement Security
  •  Brian Klopp - Labor Economist, AFSCME
  •  Jordan Marks - Executive Director, National Public Pensions Coalition

10:00  Jack Basso - Director of Program Finance and Management, AASHTO

10:50  Break

11:00  Lobbying NASHTU’s Legislative Agenda
  •  Mary Richards - MOSES
  •  Ted Toppin - PECG

12:00 p.m.  Lunch - On your own

1:00-5:00  Lobbying on Capitol Hill

5:30-7:30  Congressional Reception - LBJ Senate Room (S-211), U.S. Capitol

Wednesday, May 23, 2012 – Concord/Lexington Room

8:30 a.m.  Breakfast - Hosted

8:30  Lobby Day Reports

9:15  Panel and Discussion: Developments at Highway Departments Throughout the Nation
  Moderator: Dennis Houlihan - AFSCME
  •  New Jersey
  •  New York (New York Public Employees Federation)
  •  Washington State
  •  Michigan

10:00  Pension Fund Infrastructure Investments and Public Work
  Lisa Lindsley - Director, Capital Strategies – AFSCME International

10:45  Action Plan for NASHTU for 2012-2013
  •  Dennis Houlihan - AFSCME
  •  Mary Richards - MOSES
  •  Ted Toppin - PECG

1:00 p.m.  Adjournment