



National Association of State Highway and Transportation Unions (NASHTU) 20th Annual Conference

Monday, June 24 through Wednesday, June 26, 2019
Liaison Capitol Hill Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Monday, June 26, 2019 – The Hill Room

- 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast (Hosted)**
- 9:00 **Welcoming Remarks**
Cathrina Barros, President, Professional Engineers in California Government
- 9:15 **Larry Willis**, President, Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO
Introduction: **Jimmy Tarlau**, CWA (retired)
- 9:45 **Upcoming Legal Challenges for Labor Organizations**
Introduction: **Jon Haines**, AFSCME
- **David Strom**, AFT General Counsel
- 10:30 **Labor Organizing Post-Janus**
Moderator: **Jon Haines**, AFSCME
- **Nick Alfano**, CWA Local 1032 (New Jersey)
 - **Melissa Sutkowski**, Association of Engineering Employees of Oregon
 - **Nadine Westcott**, Professional Engineers in California Government
 - **Kevin Mercik**, Connecticut State Employees Association/SEIU 2001
- 11:30 **Lunch (Hosted)**
- 1:00 p.m. **Rep. Harley Rouda (D-CA)**, Member, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Introduction: **Sutida Bergquist**, Professional Engineers in California Government
- 1:30 **Congressional Staff Panel**
Moderator: **Jim Kolb**, Summit Strategies
- **David Napoliello**, Senior Policy Advisor, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
 - **Rebecca Higgins**, Senior Policy Advisor, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
- 2:30 **Senator Tom Carper**, Ranking Member, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
Introduction: **Raymond Edwards**, AFSCME Council 3

- 3:00 **Panel Discussion: Funding Transportation Infrastructure**
Moderator: **Jimmy Tarlau**, CWA (retired)
- **Kevin DeGood**, Director for Infrastructure Policy, Center for American Progress
 - **Alison Premo Black**, Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, American Road and Transportation Builders Association
- 6:30 **NASHTU Group Dinner** – District of Pi (910 F Street NW)
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Tuesday, June 25, 2019 – The Hill Room

- 7:45 a.m. **Breakfast (Hosted)**
- 8:15 **Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)**, Member, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
Introduction: **Jimmy Tarlau**, CWA (retired)
- 8:45 **Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR)**, Member, House Ways and Means Committee
Introduction: **James Darnell**, Association of Engineering Employees of Oregon
- 9:15 **Public Private Partnerships: Essentially Expensive Loans with Strings Attached**
Moderator: **Jon Haines**, AFSCME
- [Jeremy Mohler, In the Public Interest](#)
 - **Ted Toppin**, Professional Engineers in California Government
 - **Travis Woodward, Connecticut State Employees Association/SEIU 2001**
- 10:00 **Jim Tymon**, Executive Director of AASHTO
Introduction: **Cathrina Barros**, Professional Engineers in California Government
- 10:45 **Break**
- 11:00 **Rep. Sam Graves (R-MO)**, Ranking Member, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Introduction: **George Heath**, SEIU 517M
- 11:30 **Advocacy 101: Making the Most Out of Your Capitol Hill Visits**
- **Jim Kolb**, Summit Strategies
 - **Nadine Westcott**, Professional Engineers in California Government
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch (On Your Own)**
- 1:00-5:00 **Lobbying on Capitol Hill**
- 5:00-7:00 **Congressional Reception** – Rayburn House Office Building, Room 2167
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Wednesday, June 26, 2019 – The Hill Room

8:30 a.m. **Breakfast (Hosted)**

9:00 **Panel Discussion: State Department Staffing Issues**

Moderator: **Jon Haines**, AFSCME

- **Nadine Westcott**, Professional Engineers in California Government
- [Derrick Dasenbrock, Minnesota Government Engineering Council](#)
- **Dan Landers**, New York State Public Employees Federation

10:15 **Lobby Day Reports**

Moderator: **Nadine Westcott**, Professional Engineers in California Government

10:45 **Action Plan for NASHTU for 2019-2020**

- **Jon Haines**, AFSCME
- **Nadine Westcott**, Professional Engineers in California Government

11:00 **Closing Remarks & Adjournment**