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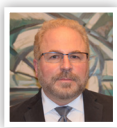
CORE   
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# Welcome back!

We are pleased and honored that the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) has selected Savannah for the 2017 Annual Conference. It hardly seems possible that eight years have passed since the AMPO Conference was last held in Savannah. As always, the AMPO Board, staff and members have put together a comprehensive program of workshops, sessions and tours highlighting MPO best practices and emerging issues. From performance based planning to active transportation, and from new freight to climate change, there truly is something here for everyone.

As a conference attendee, we invite you to join us for a tour of the nation's largest national landmark historic district, or explore on your own to experience the urban oasis that is Savannah, the City that some say General Sherman spared because it was too beautiful to burn. You will also have the opportunity to tour the nation's fourth largest and fastest growing container port and learn about the vital role that the Port of Savannah plays in the state and regional economy, and how logistical challenges are being overcome to keep Savannah ahead of the competition.

But don't forget, when you've finished your presentation, or attended your last workshop of the day, that Savannah, with all of its southern charm, beautiful period architecture, park like setting and admittedly quirky eclectic vibe, is waiting just across the river. Board one of our free Savannah Belles water ferries and explore all that Savannah has to offer. If you are new to Savannah, I hope that your travel schedule allows you some extra time. If you've visited before, welcome back.



**MARK WILKES, P.E., AICP**

Interim Executive Director  
Coastal Region MPO (CORE MPO)



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# 2017 AMPO AWARDS

We are honored to congratulate this year's award winners!

National Award for Outstanding Overall Achievement for a TMA MPO presented to

★ **Des Moines Area MPO** ★

Honorable Mentions presented to

Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County Nevada and North Florida  
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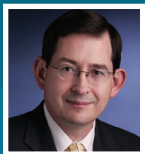
★ **Champaign County Regional  
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Ronald F. Kirby National Award for Outstanding Individual Leadership presented to

**Alan C. Clark**

HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL

Ron will be remembered as a leading expert in transportation planning and a key figure in the MPO community. The Ronald F. Kirby Memorial for Outstanding Individual Leadership Award honors the contributions and advancements that Ron made. AMPO honors outstanding efforts in planning and leadership from an individual who has advanced or promoted the cause of planning in the public arena.



# Conference INFORMATION

## Evaluation Form

AMPO will email registrants a link for a conference evaluation survey. Your comments and suggestions are appreciated and will be helpful as we plan workshops, plenaries, and networking opportunities for future conferences.

The 2017 AMPO Annual Conference PowerPoint presentations will be posted on the AMPO website in November 2017.

Save the date  
**2018 AMPO  
Annual Conference**

SEPTEMBER 24-28  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The 2018 AMPO Annual Conference call for presentations will open in January. Visit [www.ampo.org](http://www.ampo.org) for more information.



# Conference HIGHLIGHTS

## Member-led Breakout Sessions

**Wednesday, 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. | Room: Savannah Harbor Conference Center 100-101 & 105**

**Thursday, 8:45 - 10:00 a.m. | Rooms: Savannah Harbor Conference Center 100-101 & 105**

Join fellow MPO colleagues and thought leaders for a substantive conversation to discuss critical issues facing the transportation planning community. These sessions will provide an excellent opportunity for participants to share challenges and success stories with peers and AMPO staff. In addition, the topics discussed and information gathered will allow AMPO to more effectively advocate on behalf of the membership and seek to provide additional resources and assistance for members.

## Mobile Workshop - Walking Tour of Savannah's National Landmark Historic District

**Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:15 p.m.**

Walking tour of Savannah, the antebellum gem. Discover Savannah's wealth of architecture, explore Oglethorpe's renowned town plan, and learn about the preservation of the Historic Landmark District on an expertly guided walking tour.

Your tour guide: Retired from a 24 year career as City Preservation Officer, Ms. Reiter is an author and lecturer on Savannah history and architecture. Her Charleston ancestors owned the Ship Anne that brought the first colonists from England to Savannah. Her own ancestors settled in Savannah in 1785 and their descendants have lived in Savannah continually for 230 years.

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## Sharing innovations from CORE



**Wednesday, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.**

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## Director's Happy Hour

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## Lunch & Keynote Address

**Thursday, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.**

### MARK FENTON

*National public health, planning, and transportation consultant and adjunct associate professor at Tufts University, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy*



Speaker, Mark Fenton is a nationally recognized public health, planning, and transportation consultant, adjunct associate professor at Tufts University, advocate for active transportation, and former host of "America's Walking" on PBS television.

## AMPO Reception

**Thursday, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

*Champions Grill and Club Pavillion (AMPO will provide a shuttle.)*

AMPO will host an evening of networking with colleagues and exhibitors. Enjoy the ambiance of The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa's Champions Grill and Club Pavillion with heavy d'oeuvres and drinks.

**Tuesday, October 17** TUESDAY EVENTS ARE AT THE CONFERENCE CENTER

PLEASE REFER TO MAPS ON PAGES 26-27.

Time/Room	Session & Speakers	Description
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Savannah Harbor Conference Center Room: 103	<b>Regional Freight Data Collaboration and Standardization Forum</b> Matt Hardy, AASHTO; Donald Ludlow, CSPC/AASHTO; Luisa Paiewonsky and Andrew Reovan, U.S. DOT Volpe Center; Jeff Purdy, FHWA	Data projects organized under the SHRP2 C20 Freight Demand Modeling and Data Improvement program seek to integrate into conventional practices new freight data sources and innovative means for enhancing data use and value. The projects also help to break down barriers between public and private sector stakeholders, creating new, mutually beneficial avenues of interaction. Better planning and operations to support freight transportation needs is a key goal. Projects are also designed to be beneficial to each grant recipient while providing elements transferable to peer organizations.
8:00 - 11:45 a.m. Savannah Harbor Conference Center Room: 104	<b>TPM Implementation Workshop for MPOs</b> Doug Blades, Susanna Hughes Reck, Harlan Miller, Jeff Purdy, Rich Taylor, Tom Van, FHWA	In this session, FHWA will cover the transportation performance management requirements.
8:00 - 11:45 a.m. Savannah Harbor Conference Center Room: 106	<b>Transportation and Transit Asset Management</b> Brad Allen, Applied Pavement Technologies; Ron Chicka, Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council; Chris Evilia, Association of Texas MPOs; Grace Gallucci, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency; Todd Lang, Baltimore Metropolitan Council; Jeff Neal, North Central Texas COG; Shayna Pollack, Atlanta Regional Commission; Nastaran Saadatmand, FHWA; Dwayne Weeks, FTA	Participants will learn from practitioners' experiences and complete an exercise to apply asset management principals to a realistic MPO scenario.
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.   Westin Riverscape B		<b>Policy Committee Meeting</b>
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.   Westin Grand Ballroom F		<b>Technical Committee Meeting</b>
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Savannah Harbor Conference Center Room: 103	<b>Regional Freight Data Collaboration and Standardization Forum (continued)</b> Matt Hardy, AASHTO	Data projects organized under the SHRP2 C20 Freight Demand Modeling and Data Improvement program seek to integrate into conventional practices new freight data sources and innovative means for enhancing data use and value. The projects also help to break down barriers between public and private sector stakeholders, creating new, mutually beneficial avenues of interaction. Better planning and operations to support freight transportation needs is a key goal. Projects are also designed to be beneficial to each grant recipient while providing elements transferable to peer organizations.
2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Savannah Harbor Conference Center Room: 104	<b>TPM Implementation Workshop for MPOs (continued)</b> Doug Blades, Susanna Hughes Reck, Harlan Miller, Jeff Purdy, Rich Taylor, Tom Van, FHWA	In this session, FHWA will cover the transportation performance management requirements.

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 106  
& Offsite

## Mobile Workshop - The Port of Savannah

*\*There is a fee for participating in the mobile workshops.*

Leo Beckman, Georgia Ports Authority; Mark Wilkes, Coastal Region MPO

Already the fourth busiest container port in the United States, Savannah is also the fastest growing. From the recent equipment and infrastructure improvements, to the ongoing Savannah Harbor Expansion Project and the current multi-state joint venture to effectively double capacity through development of the Jasper Ocean Terminal, participants will learn how the Port of Savannah stays ahead of the curve and ahead of the competition. Following a brief presentation, participants will board a bus for a tour of the Georgia Ports Authority's Garden City Terminal, the largest single container terminal in North America.

4:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Westin Riverscape B

## Business Meeting

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Lobby

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7:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Lobby

## Public Involvement Working Group Meet and Greet

Christopher Ryan, Broward MPO

The AMPO Public Involvement Working Group supports public involvement in metropolitan transportation planning that meets federal requirements and strengthens the delivery and stewardship of programs, projects, and the transportation system. For more information or to join the working group, contact Rachel Roper at [rproper@ampo.org](mailto:rproper@ampo.org) or Christopher Ryan at [ryanc@browardmpo.org](mailto:ryanc@browardmpo.org)

**Wednesday, October 18** WEDNESDAY EVENTS ARE AT THE CONFERENCE CENTER

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Time/Room	Session & Speakers	Description
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Rotunda Booth at Entrance	<b>Registration</b>
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Exhibit Area (East Concourse)	<b>Exhibits</b>
9:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.	Chatham C/Gallery	<b>Posters</b>

7:30 - 8:30 a.m. | Chatham Ballroom C

## Continental Breakfast with the Host Spotlight (Coastal Region MPO)

**Moderator:** Mark Wilkes, CORE MPO

**Presenters:** Rachel Hatcher, RS&H; Nick Helmholdt, MPC; Jane Love, CORE MPO; Dennis Jones, CEMA

Savannah's Experience with Disaster Preparedness and Recovery in the Wakes of Hurricanes Matthew and Irma: In an eleven month time span, Hurricanes Matthew and Irma, both Category 5 hurricanes, prompted mass evacuations and brought widespread destruction to the Southeastern United States. A panel composed of local planners, emergency management personnel and CORE MPO staff will discuss the local response to both storms—what went right, what went wrong, lessons learned, and how we are adapting to what could be the new normal. If time allows, a case study of US Highway 80 will be highlighted. Completed in 1923 to provide access to Savannah's beach communities, US 80/Tybee Road, now experiences reoccurring inundation and closures in the absence of storms during peak high tides.

8:45 - 9:45 a.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 100-101  
& 105

### Member-led Breakout Sessions (Part 1)

**Facilitators:** Regina Aris, Baltimore Metropolitan Council; Corey Hull, Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization; Matt Johns, Rapides Area Planning Commission; Amanda Wilson, North Central Texas COG

In this session, participants will break into two to three groups based on MPO size, budget, or other defining factors. A facilitator will lead each group in an open discussion of critical MPO issues and opportunities and record the main discussion points on flip charts. The facilitators will provide each breakout group with a set of administrative, policy, and technical issues and encourage participants to address additional subjects. This breakout session will provide an excellent forum to meet peer MPOs and learn about each other's planning challenges and successes. Part 2 of this session takes place on Thursday morning.

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 102-104

### Planning for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles and Other Emerging Technology (Part 1)

**Moderator:** DeLania Hardy, AMPO  
**Presenters:** Elina Zlotchenko, U.S. DOT Intelligent Transportation Systems Joint Program Office

New and emerging technologies have the potential to alter traditional transportation planning practices at MPOs and have wide ranging impacts on the transportation industry. The first in a two part series, this session will focus on the U.S. DOT's Connected Vehicle Pilot program and demonstrate how states, cities, and regions are implementing connected vehicle technology to address their transportation challenges. Part 2 of this session takes place Wednesday afternoon.

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 100-101

### Public Involvement (Part 1)

**Moderator:** Raymond Hess, RTC of Southern Nevada  
**Presenters:** Craig Beebe and Rebecca Hamilton, Metro; Keith Brockington, Greenville-Pickens Area Transportation Study (GPATS); Paul Calvaresi, Broward MPO; Allison Fluitt, Kimley-Horn and Associates

This two part session explores MPO practices in public involvement and covers topics such as the public involvement plan, messaging for MPOs, outreach strategies, and incorporation of data. In Part 1, Metro shares their interactive online Regional Snapshots Program, GPATS discusses the outcome of their collection of 30,000 public outreach data points as part of their long range plan update, Horizon 2040, and Broward MPO illustrates how targeted outreach helped gain consensus on the need for a project which had been engulfed in 30 years of controversy. Part 2 of this session takes place Wednesday afternoon.

# Wednesday AGENDA

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**10:00 - 11:30 a.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 105

## Response, Recovery, and Resiliency

**Moderator:** Mark Wilkes, Coastal Region MPO

**Presenters:** Joseph Bovenzi, Genesee Transportation Council (GTC); Gary Carlin, INRIX, Inc.; Fred Frank, WSP; Chet Parsons, AECOM; Matt Pettit, Citilabs; Guy Rousseau, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC); Saleem Salameh, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

In this session, participants will learn how MPOs are addressing resiliency and responding to hazard events that disrupt system performance and damage infrastructure. It will offer examples of how MPOs can assess vulnerability and the potential impact of hazard events on transportation assets and adapt the transportation system to mitigate those impacts, thereby enhancing community resilience and sustainability. The presentation by ARC will specifically discuss the collapse of the major Atlanta interstate that impacted 250,000 daily commuters.

**11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.** | Room: Chatham Ballroom C

## Lunch & General Membership Meeting

**1:30 - 3:15 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 102-104

## Planning for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles and Other Emerging Technology (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Matt Hardy, AASHTO

**Presenters:** Chandler Duncan, EDR Group; Peter Koeppel, East West Gateway COG; Carl Miller, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho; Craig Raborn, RTC of Southern Nevada; Hannah Twaddell, ICF

MPOs are challenged with how to account for the unknowns of new and emerging technologies and their potential to create significant changes in how transportation systems need to be planned, managed, and operated. In part two of this emerging technology series, we will explore practical examples of how transportation professionals can develop a tangible short and long term strategy to integrate new and emerging transportation technologies into agency processes.

**1:30 - 3:15 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 100-101

## Public Involvement (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Andrew Canon, Hidalgo Area MPO

**Presenters:** Dave Biggs, MetroQuest; Ben Hampton and Abigail Zenner, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board; Amy Luft, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS); Alvan-Bidal Sanchez, Memphis Urban Area MPO; Audra Koester Thomas, Maricopa Association of Governments

This two part session explores MPO practices in public involvement and covers topics such as the public involvement plan, messaging for MPOs, outreach strategies, and incorporation of data. In Part 2, participants will learn best practices for addressing public involvement in all agency activities, creating messaging to tell your MPO's story, and utilizing a diverse range of outreach techniques, including online strategies, to reach a broad audience.

**1:30 - 3:15 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 105

## Freight

**Moderator:** Ron Chicka, Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

**Presenters:** Elaine McKenzie, Cambridge Systematics; Therese Langer, American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy; Kevin Murphy, Skagit COG; Pragati Srivastava, Memphis Urban Area MPO

This freight panel will cover the Mid-Region Council of Governments' Transportation and Logistics Hub Study, Skagit COG's steps to analyze the impacts of forecast railroad traffic on its regional transportation system, the Memphis MPO Regional Freight Plan, and the role of freight plans and policies in promoting reduced energy use for freight movement.

**3:15 - 3:45 p.m.** | East Concourse

## Break with Exhibitors

**3:45 - 5:30 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 102-104

## Performance (Part 1)

**Moderator:** Saleem Salameh, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

**Presenters:** Sutapa Bandyopadhyay, North Jersey TPA; Jeff Pollack, Corpus Christi MPO; Terry Shaw, North Florida TPO; Christopher Upchurch, Wichita Area MPO

This two part session explores the incorporation of performance into MPO practices. In this session, the North Florida TPO will discuss their Mobility Performance Measures Program, which was adopted in their Congestion Management Process; Corpus Christi MPO will discuss their multi-tiered evaluation framework; NJTPA will share the results of their evaluation of place to place travel needs and solutions for people and goods; and the Wichita Area MPO will illustrate how they are applying the new version of the NPMRDS to FHWA's performance measures. Part 2 of this session takes place on Thursday afternoon.



# Wednesday AGENDA

3:45 - 5:30 p.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 100-101

## Environmental Justice (Part 1)

**Moderator:** Todd Ashby, Des Moines Area MPO

**Presenters:** Lauren Brooks, Kasey Cursey, and Adam Purcell, AECOM; Tom Deardorff and Xiomara Meeks, Polk TPO; Muhammad Khan, Rochester Olmsted COG; Sergio Ritacco, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

# Wednesday AGENDA

This panel seeks to provide the audience with an understanding of various approaches MPOs can take to meet Title VI Nondiscrimination and Environmental Justice outreach and analysis requirements. It will provide an overview of activities conducted by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board, particularly highlighting their Equity Emphasis Areas, the Polk TPO's Neighborhood Mobility Audits, and the Rochester Olmsted COG's Study of Mobility and Access Limitations in Low to Moderate Income Neighborhoods. Part 2 of this session takes place on Thursday afternoon.

3:45 - 5:30 p.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 105

## MPO Operations

**Moderator:** David Wessel, Flagstaff MPO

**Presenters:** Daniel Knickelbein, Gregory Stuart, and Anthea Thomas, Broward MPO; Jeff Kramer, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR), University of South Florida; Lyndsey Scofield, TransPro

Attendees will learn best practices for MPO internal operations from Broward MPO's efforts to achieve greater organizational effectiveness by setting goals and monitoring progress on factors that relate to the MPO's performance and their outreach to mentor the next generation of transportation professionals as they face what some call the Silver Tsunami, baby boomers retiring without fresh faces to replace them. Attendees will also hear from the CUTR on their findings from conducting the MPOAC Institute for Elected Officials since 2007 and their report for FHWA/FTA focusing on MPO staffing and organizational structures.

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

## Director's Happy Hour

Please join us back at the Westin for happy hour!

Room: Harbor Lawn



Thank you to our exhibitors!

## Thursday, October 19 THURSDAY EVENTS ARE AT THE CONFERENCE CENTER

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Time/Room	Session & Speakers	Description
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Rotunda Booth at Entrance	<b>Registration</b>
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Exhibit Area (East Concourse)	<b>Exhibits</b>
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Chatham C/Gallery	<b>Posters</b>
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Gallery Concourse (2nd floor)	<b>Continental Breakfast with the Washington Update</b>

**8:45 - 10:00 a.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 100-101 & 105

### Member-led Breakout Sessions (Part 2)

**Facilitators:** Regina Aris, Baltimore Metropolitan Council; Corey Hull, Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization; Matt Johns, Rapides Area Planning Commission; Amanda Wilson, North Central Texas COG

In this session, participants will break into groups to discuss key issues facing MPOs. The facilitators will open the discussion by summarizing the issues, ideas, opportunities, and challenges discussed in Part 1. Based on these items, the group will then focus on identifying the similarities and differences for MPOs of various sizes and characteristics. This information will also help AMPO staff advocate more effectively for members during discussions with Federal partners and other stakeholders in Washington.

**10:15 - 11:45 a.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 102-104

### Federal Highway Administration Spotlight

**Moderator:** Amy Cummings, RTC of Washoe County  
**Presenters:** Becky Lupes, Jill Stark, and Diane Turchetta, FHWA; Peter Eun, FHWA Resource Center

This panel will highlight tools, resources, and MPO related efforts from the FHWA, including cost effective countermeasures for increasing pedestrian safety, the development of alternative fuel corridors, and approaches to integrating climate resilience into the MPO planning process.

**10:15 - 11:45 a.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 100-101

### Coordination and Collaboration (Part 1)

**Moderator:** Kevin Murphy, Skagit COG  
**Presenters:** Anubhav Bagley and Denise McClafferty, Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG); Rita Morocoima Black, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC); Jerry Everett, Center for Transportation Research, University of Tennessee; Ashlee McLaughlin, Lori Morgan, and Shuake Wuzhati, Champaign-Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Study (CUUATS); Brian ten Siethoff, Cambridge Systematics

This two part series discusses MPO coordination practices. A critical and required component of MPO processes, coordination can be a challenging responsibility. Part 1 will highlight processes, platforms, tools, and projects that demonstrate best practices in coordination with large numbers of stakeholders and large quantities of data. Part 2 of this session takes place Thursday afternoon.

**10:15 - 11:45 a.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 105

### Land Use

**Moderator:** Gregory Stuart, Broward MPO  
**Presenters:** Sam Blanchard, UrbanSim; Preston Elliott and Kayla Ferguson, KCI Technologies, Inc.; Matthew Kaufman, UrbanTrans North America; Tracy Selin, Cambridge Systematics; Mark Simons and Benjamin VanGessel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

This session discusses the transportation and land use connection with a focus on the use of models to assess the potential role of travel efficiency strategies to reduce on road emissions and inform county level zoning and regulatory changes and local funding decisions. It also illustrates a specific platform that can be used as a means to build sustainable and collaborative shared data repositories and model systems and the implementation of travel demand management (TDM) strategies tailored to unique land use and transportation contexts.

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Room: Chatham Ballroom C

## Lunch & Keynote

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1:45 - 3:30 p.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
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Rooms: 102-104

### Scenario Planning

**Moderator:** Todd Lang, Baltimore Metropolitan Council  
**Presenters:** Paul Desjardin, Metropolitan Washington COG; Nick Donohue, Commonwealth of Virginia; Gerrit Knaap, National Center for Smart Growth; Lorna Parkins, Michael Baker International; Shayna Pollock, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)

Evolving technology, demographic changes, and environmental uncertainties are coalescing into a rapidly changing tomorrow. This session explores how decision makers can help prepare for an uncertain future by employing scenario planning to examine how different trend drivers may interact and produce a range of future outcomes and demands on the transportation system.

1:45 - 3:30 p.m.  
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### Coordination and Collaboration (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Craig Lyon, Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions  
**Presenters:** Greg Krueger and Terry Shaw, HNTB; William Molnar, Lower Savannah COG; Mike Neidhart, Gannett Fleming, Inc.; Jeff Sheffield, North Florida TPO; Jill Stark, FHWA; Mayor Gerald Wright, Denmark, South Carolina

This two part series discusses MPO coordination practices. In Part 2, presenters will focus on the outcomes of successful collaboration. The session will share the North Florida TPO's Smart Region Master Plan, the Lower Savannah Council of Government's Intersection Enhancement project in Denmark, South Carolina, and the successes related to the regional cooperation between Florida's MPOs and FDOT.

1:45 - 3:30 p.m.  
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### Transportation and Health

**Moderator:** Erica Tait, Director of the Jonesboro MPO  
**Presenters:** Rochelle Carpenter, Nashville Area MPO; Kimberly Scrivner, Puget Sound Regional Council; Elizabeth Whitton, MetroPlan Orlando

Participants will hear from MPO practitioners about how their respective organizations are working to incorporate health considerations and outcomes into the transportation planning and decision making process. The presentation will highlight programs, strategies, performance measures, methods for technical analysis, and other best practices that can be used in the regional transportation planning process and to provide assistance to local governments to better consider health in planning decisions.

3:30 - 4:00 p.m. | East Concourse

### Break with Exhibitors

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 102-104

### Performance (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Sooraz Patro, Alexandria-Pineville MPO/Rapides Area Planning Commission  
**Presenters:** David Hutchinson, Sarasota/Manatee MPO; David D'Onofrio, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC); Carl Miller, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS)

With the passage of the past two federal transportation authorization bills, MAP-21 and the FAST Act, states and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) across the nation are putting additional emphasis on developing performance-driven project and program evaluation methods. Part 2 of this two part session explores the incorporation of performance into MPO practices and will specifically focus on the incorporation of performance in project evaluation, prioritization, and selection.

**4:00 - 5:30 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Rooms: 100-101

## Active Transportation (Part 1)

**Moderator:** Elaine Clegg, Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS)

**Presenters:** Rye Baerg, Southern California Association of Governments; Ned Baier, Jacobs Engineering; Casey Claude and Ryan Hicks, Central Transportation Planning Staff; Brad Davis, Alta Planning and Design; Kate Horton and Zylavian Watley, Memphis Urban Area MPO; Don Scott, Lee County MPO; David Von Stroh, Cambridge Systematics

This two part session focuses on the bicycle, pedestrian, and transit modes. Part 1 will begin the series with a discussion on bicycle and pedestrian plans, incorporation of bicycle and pedestrian planning into the metropolitan transportation plan, and an online platform for storing and retrieving bicycle and pedestrian count data, and will illustrate how MPOs can lead the way in facilitating progress setting policy, planning, prioritizing, funding, and implementing bicycle, pedestrian, and complete streets projects. Part 2 of this session takes place Friday morning.

**4:00 - 5:30 p.m.**  
Savannah Harbor  
Conference Center  
Room: 105

## Environmental Justice (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Gloria Jeff, Wichita Area MPO and John Sherrill, Illinois DOT

**Presenters:** Austina Casey, DC DOT; Ryan Perry, Georgia DOT; Abby Harris, Tennessee DOT

Part 2 will be an interactive session in which the audience participates in discussion and exercises to broaden their understanding of Environmental Justice and challenges, opportunities, and best practices of MPOs.

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

## Reception

Champions Grill and Club Pavilion (AMPO will provide a shuttle.)



# Friday AGENDA

**Friday, October 20** FRIDAY EVENTS ARE AT THE WESTIN  
PLEASE REFER TO MAPS ON PAGES 26-27.

**9:00 - 9:45 a.m.** | Grand Ballroom A and F | **Continental Breakfast**

**9:45 - 11:15 a.m.**

Room: Grand Ballroom A

## Active Transportation (Part 2)

**Moderator:** Kerrie Davis, Dougherty Area Regional Transportation Study

**Presenters:** Anthony Garcia, Street Plans Collaborative; Byron Rushing, Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC); JD Dillard, Southern Georgia Regional Council/Valdosta Lowndes MPO (SGRC/VLMPO)

This two part session focuses on the bicycle, pedestrian, and transit modes. Part 2 will move from planning to implementation and discuss the Quickbuild methodology, a planning and outreach process used by the Southern California Association of Government's GoHuman Campaign and the Los Angeles Metro region's BikeNWA, the implementation of ARC's regional walking and bicycling plan, Walk. Bike. Thrive!, and the SGRC/VLMPO's report, Valdosta Urbanized Area Transit Implementation.

**9:45 - 11:15 a.m.**

Room: Grand Ballroom F

## Data

**Moderator:** Carl Mikyska, Florida MPO Advisory Council

**Presenters:** Rachel Hatcher, RS&H; Nick Haven, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency; Alexandra Kleyman, Boston Region MPO; Steven Peterson, Metropolitan Council; Stephanie Rossi, Coastal Region MPO

This session will explore MPO operations with a focus on data, including TIP development, project prioritization, cooperative and coordinated transit, and MPO planning, and project reporting and tracking.

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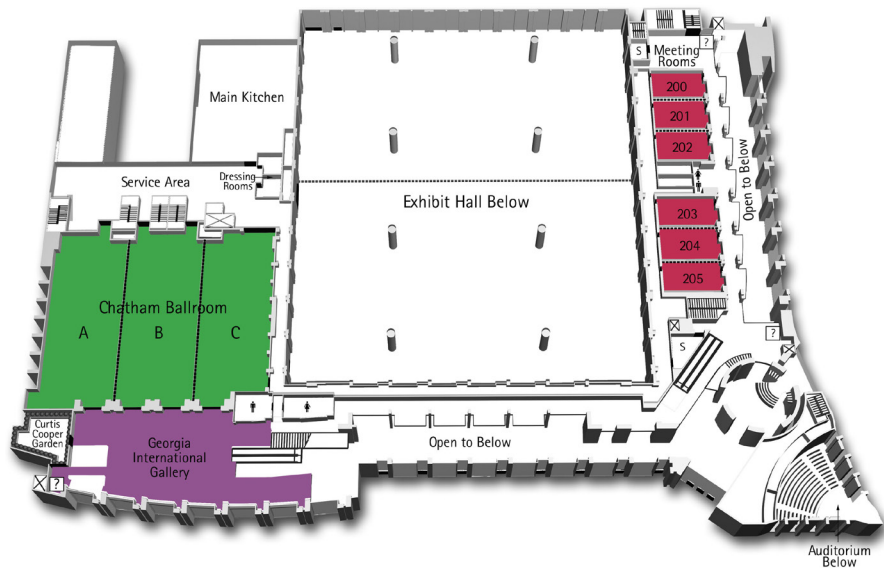
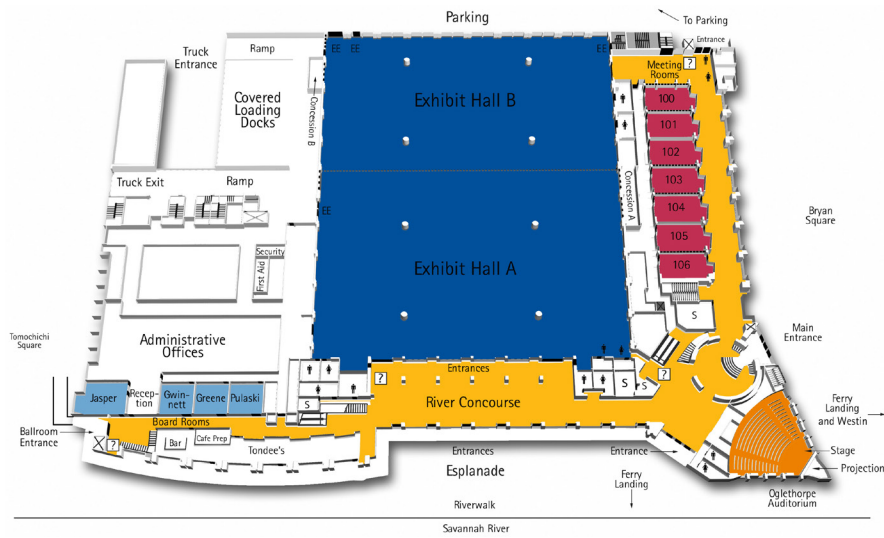
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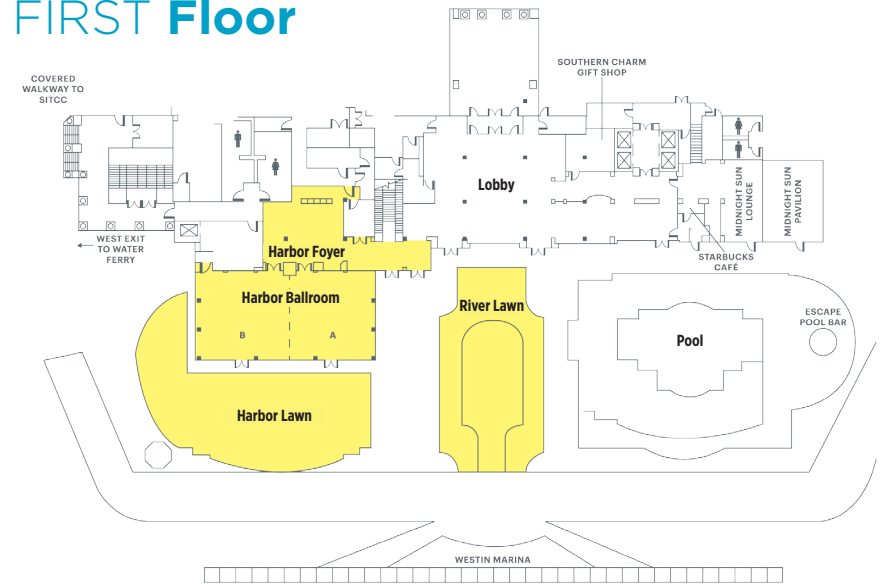
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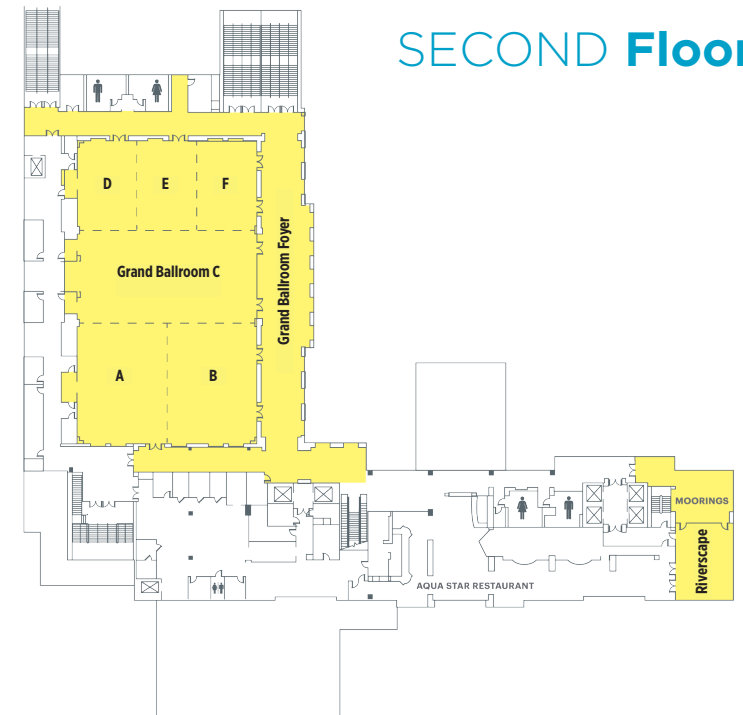


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