

# WHERE CHALLENGES MEET OPPORTUNITY

*Maine's unique  
transportation needs*

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## AGENDA

- 7:00 – 8:00 AM      **REGISTRATION | MAIN LOBBY**
- 8:15 AM              **WELCOME | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**  
Bruce Van Note, Commissioner, MaineDOT  
Mohamad Musavi, Interim Dean, UMaine College of Engineering
- 8:25 – 9:25 AM      **KEYNOTE | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**  
*Actualizing Equity in Transportation*  
April Rai, President and CEO, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials
- 9:30 – 10:30 AM     **COMBINED POLICY/TECHNICAL TRACK NO. 1 | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**  
*Electrification of Transportation*  
Moderator: Joyce Taylor, Chief Engineer, MaineDOT  
*Maine's EV Charging Plan*  
Presenter: Michael Stoddard, Executive Director, Efficiency Maine Trust  
*Maine's Electrical Grid: Are we Ready for Widespread Electrification?*  
Presenter: Dan Burgess, Director, Governor's Energy Office  
*Planning Successful Transition to a Sustainable Fleet*  
Presenter: Mihir Bodarya, Zero Emissions Consultant, Hatch LTK
- 10:30 – 11:00 AM    **NETWORKING & EXHIBIT BREAK | MAIN AUDITORIUM**
- 11:00 – Noon        **TECHNICAL TRACK NO. 2 | FORT WESTERN-ARNOLD-HOWARD**  
*Student Papers*  
Moderator: Ali Shirazi, Assistant Professor, UMaine College of Engineering  
*Safety of Crosswalk Visibility Enhancements*  
Presenter: Hayley McLeod  
*Safety and Effectiveness of Bicycle Infrastructure*  
Presenter: Emma White  
*Does Driver Education Reduce Teen Crashes?*  
Presenter: Elizabeth Hurm  
*How Hydrologic Structures Can Help Prevent Wildlife Crashes in Maine*  
Presenter: Alex Stewart

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## **POLICY TRACK NO. 2 | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**

### ***Moving People***

Moderator: Jennifer Grant, Director, Public Outreach and Planning, MaineDOT

*RIDE – Two Years of Microtransit Success*

Presenter: Rodger Lentz, Assistant City Manager, City of Wilson, NC

*Microtransit in Vermont*

Presenter: Ross MacDonald, Public Transit Program Manager, Vermont Agency of Transportation

Noon – 1:45 PM

## **LUNCHEON PROGRAM, AWARDS & EXHIBIT VIEWING | MAIN AUDITORIUM**

Moderator: Don LeBlanc, President, Maine Section, ASCE

### **KEYNOTE**

### ***Implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law at the US Department of Transportation***

**Florence Chen, Associate Director of Implementation, USDOT**

*Maine Turnpike Authority 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition*

Presented by Bruce Van Note, Commissioner, MaineDOT

*Student Paper Awards*

Presented by Tony Grande, President, Maine Better Transportation Association

*David H. Stevens Award*

Presented by Bruce Van Note, Commissioner, MaineDOT

2:00 – 3:00 PM

## **TECHNICAL TRACK NO. 3 | FORT WESTERN-ARNOLD-HOWARD**

### ***Winter Tech to Keep You Moving***

Moderator: Colby Fortier-Brown, Transportation Engineer II, MaineDOT

*Utah's Road Weather Information System*

Presenter: Cody Oppermann, Weather Operations Program Specialist/RWIS Coordinator, Utah DOT

*Modeling Maine: Road Weather Station Optimization*

Presenter: Mark Suennen, Project Manager, VHB

2:00 – 3:00 PM

## **POLICY TRACK NO. 3 | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**

### ***The Gorham Connector: Solution for Regional Challenges***

Moderator: Erin Courtney, Public Outreach Manager and Legislative Liaison, Maine Turnpike Authority

Presenters:

Thomas Hall, Town Manager, Town of Scarborough

Andrew McLean, Transportation Policy Director, CDM Smith

Honorable Michael Foley, Mayor, City of Westbrook

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- 3:00 – 3:30 PM      **NETWORKING & EXHIBIT BREAK | MAIN AUDITORIUM**
- 3:30 – 4:30 PM      **TECHNICAL TRACK NO. 4 | FORT WESTERN-ARNOLD-HOWARD**  
***Stream and Culvert Innovations to Keep the Fish Moving***  
Moderator: Judy Gates, Planning Department Manager, HNTB  
*Using New eDNA Technology to Tackle Environmental Permitting and Compliance*  
Presenters:  
Jake Riley, Principal, Fisheries Biologist, Stantec Consulting Services Inc.  
Eric Ham, Senior Environmental Manager, MaineDOT  
*Fish Passage and MaineDOT Culvert Replacement - State of the Practice*  
Presenter: Mark Lickus, Hydrologist, MaineDOT Environmental Office
- 3:30 – 4:30 PM      **POLICY TRACK NO. 4 | KENNEBEC-PENOBSCOT**  
***Moving Goods***  
Moderator: Nate Moulton, Director, Office of Freight and Passenger Services, MaineDOT  
*New Opportunities Using Maine Ports*  
Presenter: Matt Burns, Executive Director, Maine Port Authority  
*Private Investment in Private Infrastructure*  
Presenter: Heather Hayes, Staff Engineer, TFIC/Sewall  
*Growth of Rail in Maine*  
Presenter: Ian Simpson, NBM Railways
- 4:30 – 5:15 PM      **BRIDGE BREAKING COMPETITION & RECEPTION | MAIN AUDITORIUM**  
Moderator: Erin Brewer, Assistant Transportation Engineer, MaineDOT
- 5:30 – 6:15 PM      **DINNER | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**
- 6:15 - 7:00 PM      **EVENING PROGRAM | AUGUSTA-CAPITAL-PINE TREE**  
***60 Incredible Hours: Replacement of the I-295 Bridge over Veranda Street***  
Moderator: Parry Seddiqi, UMaine Student Chapter, ASCE  
Presenters:  
Devan Eaton, Senior Project Manager, MaineDOT  
Tim Cote, Project Director, HNTB