MEDIA ADVISORY
NAPA, ASU, AGS & NAC Host Summit on Transportation Infrastructure Investment: “Building a Shared Map of the Nation’s Infrastructure to Enable Smart Investments”

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The National Academy of Public Administration, Arizona State University, the American Geographical Society and the National Academy of Construction are joining forces to hold a special summit on May 1, “Building a Shared Map of the Nation’s Infrastructure to Enable Smart Investments.” This event will explore strategies for providing decision makers with the systematic, comparable location-based information they need to assess and prioritize transportation and other infrastructure investments.

In its 2017 report card on American infrastructure, the American Society of Civil Engineers issued an overall grade of D+ and estimated that $4.6 trillion was needed to address it. This is a staggering sum that begs the question of priorities, but priority setting is hindered by the lack of systematic, comparable location-based information available to decision makers on the nation’s infrastructure assets and their condition. However, innovative efforts across the country offer precedents and tools for organizing the needed information across jurisdictions and integrating it effectively into infrastructure investment decisions.

The summit will bring together leaders in public administration, infrastructure development, geography, geographic information systems, and data integration/open data at Arizona State University’s (ASU) Tempe campus. Invitees in the Washington, DC area can participate remotely in the first portion of the event via videoconference at ASU’s Washington Center. Also, those unable to attend in person may watch the event live at http://links.asu.edu/napa

For a more detailed itinerary of the summit, click here for Tempe, Arizona and here for Washington, D.C.

WHAT: Building a Shared Map of the Nation’s Infrastructure to Enable Smart Investments

WHEN: May 1, 2018
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM MT in Arizona
(12:00 PM – 4:00 PM ET in Washington)
WHERE: Tempe, Arizona – ASU, Old Main
400 East Tyler Mall
Tempe, AZ

Washington, D.C. – ASU Washington Center
1800 I Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

WHO: Andrea d'Amato, Assistant Secretary for Operational Excellence, Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Norman F. Anderson, President and CEO, CG/LA Infrastructure
Anubhav Bagley, Information Services Manager, Maricopa Association of Governments
Tom Clemons, Executive Advisor, Transportation Solutions, Bentley Systems
Greg DiLoreto, former President, American Society of Civil Engineers
Teresa Gerton, President and CEO, National Academy of Public Administration
Edd Gibson, Director of the School of Sustainable Engineering and the Built Environment
Jonathan Koppell, Dean, College of Public Programs and the Lattie and Elva Coor Presidential Chair in the School of Public Affairs, Arizona State University.
Ed Strocko, Director, Office of Spatial Analysis and Visualization, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, U.S. Department of Transportation
Hans Van Winkle, formerly led Civil Works Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

MEDIA: Media planning to attend in Arizona or Washington should register here.

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About the American Geographical Society
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The mission of the National Academy of Construction is to recognize and honor distinguished leaders in the construction industry and to share this reservoir of leadership and expertise as a service to the nation. Learn more at https://www.naocsn.org.

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