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Message from Ohio APWA President, Larry Lester

Let us celebrate our successes during National Public Works Week May 15-21, 2022. This year's theme is "Ready & Resilient." Public works professionals are always READY to serve and RESILIENT in their abilities to handle challenges. Another time to celebrate is during the Ohio APWA Expo. The Ohio APWA Expo will be at the Franklin County Fairgrounds in Hilliard, Ohio on August 11, 2022, from 8:00am to 1:00pm. The expo includes equipment displays, product demos, food trucks, fun games, and a live band. Bring a colleague. You do not want to miss it. Nominations for the 2022 Clyde "Butch" Seidle Public Works Servant Leader Award are due by October 1, 2022. This annual award recognizes individuals who exhibit the highest standard of excellence, dedication, and accomplishment over a sustained period and who are creative and highly skilled career servant leaders at any level of public works. Below is contact information for this special award.

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Northeast Ohio Public Works Expo
May 18, 2022
Summit County Fairgrounds

Ohio Public Works Expo
August 11, 2022
Franklin County Fairgrounds

SWOAPWA Participates in Construction Career Days

Construction Career Days (CCD) is an annual event organized by Allied Construction Industries. CCD is the largest construction-based career exploration and hiring event for students in the Tri-State (Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky). It is a three-day event to encourage students to learn more about the Construction Industry. Over 2000 middle and high school students from 30+ districts attend, with 40+ exhibitors from every sector of the industry provide hands-on activities, information on careers, and employment opportunities.

Students explore carpentry, welding, electrical, concrete, mason, plaster, operating heavy equipment and so much more! The mission of the "Construction Career Days" is to improve the image of the construction industry in the eyes of today's middle and high school students and plant the seeds for tomorrow's skilled workforce. Southwest Ohio Branch had a booth with equipment, information about PW careers, and giveaways. We always enjoy interacting with the students



Ohio APWA's Mission

The mission of Ohio APWA is to provide an essential delivery of up-to-date information on the latest public works technologies and management trends. The Chapter shall offer its members educational programs, public service activities, symposiums, equipment shows and the chance to network with fellow members in a professional setting.

PWX 2022 registration is NOW OPEN!

Join us in Charlotte, NC
August 28-31, 20122

Experience the excitement that the public works industry has to offer, from outstanding education sessions, to exhibitors showcasing their latest products, services and technologies – you won't want to miss this. PWX draws thousands of professionals from all over the world, allowing you to connect with nearly 6,000 of your public works colleagues from North America and beyond.

Lick Run Valley Conveyance System (VCS) and Greenway Project

2022 APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award:
Environment | More Than \$75 Million

The Lick Run Valley Conveyance System (VCS) and Greenway Project is a \$103 million sustainable infrastructure project that transformed the local and regional community. This is one of the largest green infrastructure control projects in the country to reduce combined sewer overflows (CSO). The 1.5-mile-long project corridor is located on the west side of Cincinnati (population approximately 309,300) in the South Fairmount neighborhood. It provides watershed management, flood control, stormwater conveyance and storage, water reuse, and water quality treatment, all integrated into an open channel and civic park. The project also serves to reinvigorate the neighborhood.

The Lick Run project began in 2009, when Strand Associates, Inc.® (Strand) worked closely with project planning partner Human Nature, Inc. (Human Nature) and the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSDGC) to develop a sustainable, community-based watershed management approach to the Lower Mill Creek Basin. A \$500 million deep tunnel was the original solution in MSDGC's overall wet-weather plan to handle flows for the entire Lower Mill Creek Basin, but existing conditions coupled with decades of disinvestment in Cincinnati area communities resulted in the desire for an alternative that would benefit Hamilton County communities beyond just installing new infrastructure. The Lick Run VCS and Greenway project provided visible benefits for the South Fairmount community, and heavily contributed to a savings of more than \$200 million over the deep tunnel alternative for the basin that transformed Cincinnati communities beyond what would normally be realized by traditional sewer infrastructure projects. MSDGC termed their revitalization vision the "Communities of the Future."

Strand and Human Nature studied multiple watersheds within the Lower Mill Creek Basin. The focus turned to addressing the excessive number of combined sewer system (CSS) overflows in the 2,700-acre Lick Run Watershed, where MSDGC's largest CSO (CSO No. 5) was located. CSO No. 5 accounts for more than 10 percent of MSDGC's total annual overflow volume. Within the watershed, which includes 88 miles of storm and combined sewer, Strand and Human Nature identified an opportunity to re-establish the historic Lick Run waterway by redirecting the stormwater from the CSS to a central, hybrid surface/subsurface conveyance channel.



The idea was to restore much of the historic waterway that was filled and replaced more than 120 years ago with a 14- to 19-foot diameter brick combined sewer. The large brick sewer is still in place and being used to convey sanitary and other combined sewer flows within the watershed. This project helped MSDGC achieve regulatory compliance by reducing CSO No. 5 overflow volume by 370 million gallons annually. The Lick Run VCS and Greenway Project was envisioned to further benefit South Fairmount by being a catalyst for revitalization in the blighted neighborhood.

The Lick Run VCS and Greenway stormwater project has been an enormous success. The project has achieved MSDGC's goals of meeting regulatory compliance requirements and re-introducing South Fairmount to its historic creek while simultaneously reinvigorating a struggling community and constructing a beautiful civic park amenity that will serve the community and the greater Cincinnati region for many years to come. This project will serve to ignite redevelopment and pride in the South Fairmount community. MSDGC has been fully engaged since inception of the project in 2009 and is continuing to carry the torch to ensure community leadership, participation, inclusion, and education goals are realized.

For more about Lick Run VCS and Greenway Project, read the **nomination packet**.

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Be sure to view a 3:32 minute drone video of the Lick Run VCS and Greenway Project there too!

Congratulations to MSDGC, Strand, and all the other partners for winning this prestigious award!



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Goodbye WebEx, Hello Airmeeet!



Come on in and have a seat! APWA is excited to announce that there is a new webinar platform for all future Click, Listen & Learn offerings. We think you'll find this platform easier to use and more fun and useful, too! Once you're logged into Airmeeet, you'll automatically enter the lounge. Pick a table, grab a seat and start chatting with fellow learners. You can even videoconference with someone instead of using a chatbox if you'd like. Take a moment and download the course materials located at the top right of your screen. Once it's time for the webinar, you'll be whisked right in. Participate by giving real-time feedback to the presenter via emoticons and an intuitive Q&A function. Chat one-on-one privately or send messages to the group using the chat function, making your entire learning experience more fulfilling and interactive.

You'll be able to see participant profiles, allowing you to discover who you might want to connect or reconnect with. After the webinar, you'll have even more time to network with your peers, sharing ideas and solutions in real-time at your tables for private table chats. You can invite people to come "sit" with you, or if you spy a friend across the room, move over to their table to say "hello."

Meet someone you might want to touch base with in the future? Exchange virtual contact cards. Airmeeet is the next best thing to being in person and the closest thing to it. We're excited for you to experience it.

Watch the video, then **click the link to register** for the upcoming first webinar with the new platform! We know you're going to like it!

Scan the code to register for the first program on the new platform or click the link in the description below.



Ohio Public Service Institute

Registration is now open for the 2022 OHIO PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTE. Seats are limited. Don't miss out. Remember it will be September 25th through 30th at the beautiful newly renovated Saw Mill Creek by Cedar Point Resorts, in Huron, Ohio! Register now to take advantage of this training. The class who attended in 2021 included foreman, administrators, engineers, mechanics, and operators. Any type of public works employee can attend and benefit. Including you!

Be part of this Leadership opportunity. OHPSI is an outstanding program that will help you reach your professional goals and enhance your effectiveness and efficiency on the job. The focus this year will be on Supervisory Skills.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Rouston at 989-965-4726 or jeanne.rouston@gmail.com

NEW LOCATION!!



OHIO PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTE
Focus on Supervisory Skills
September 25-30, 2022

NEW LOCATION! SAWMILL CREEK BY CEDAR POINT RESORTS | HURON, OHIO

OPEN REGISTRATION!


Apply for OHPSI Scholarships

APWA Ohio will be awarding five scholarships in the amount of \$595.00 each. To apply for one of these scholarships you must submit your application and registration by June 30, 2022 to David Barber at dhb4950@gmail.com. Application forms are found at ohpsi.org/scholarships.


National Public Works Week - May 15-21

By now we hope you are focusing on the final details to celebrate National Public Works Week in your community. We know there will be Touch A Truck events, local NPWW proclamations, tours of facilities, Facebook and Twitter posts, and many more expressions of appreciation,

We are pleased to share a Proclamation from Ohio Governor DeWine and Lt. Governor Husted.



In the Name and by the Authority of
THE STATE OF OHIO



WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities, as well as the public health and high quality of life in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals — such as engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector — who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment, and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and


WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, community leaders, and children in Ohio to gain knowledge and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in our communities; and


WHEREAS, The American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association sponsors the 62nd annual "National Public Workers Week" in 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE, We, *Mike DeWine* and *Jon Husted*, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize May 15-21 as

NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

on this 15th day of May 2012.


 Mike DeWine
 Governor


 Jon Husted
 Lieutenant Governor

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- May 3-5 OKI Construction Career Days, [Hamilton](#)
- May 4 Bike & Roll to School Day <https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/>
- May 4-5 Administrative Professionals and County Engineers Conference, Newark www.ceao.org/
- May 10 STORM WATER ROUNDTABLE, Hamilton <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- May 10-11 Great Lakes Water Infrastructure Conference [Virtual](#)
- May 11-15 2022 ASHE National Conference, Columbus <http://2022conference.ashe.pro/>
- May 11 MS4 Bootcamp Training, Virtual <https://wmao.org/>
- May 11-13 Ohio Stormwater Conference, Sandusky www.ohstormwaterconference.com
- May 12 OHIO STATE BOARD MEETING, Columbus <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- May 12 CONCRETE 101, Maumee, <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- May 12 CENTRAL OHIO APWA: DRINKING WATER REPLACEMENT PLANNING, [webinar](#)
- May 15-21 NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK <https://npww.apwa.net/>
- May 16-20 United for Infrastructure Week <https://unitedforinfrastructure.org/>
- May 18 OHIO APWA NORTHEAST BRANCH PUBLIC WORKS EXPO <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- May 19 Design Differences for RCP & Plastic Pipe Installations, ASCE Dayton [More information here](#)
- May 19 Climate Change Considerations for Asset Management [CLL](#)
- May 19 Ohio WEA Collections Workshop, Dublin https://www.ohiowea.org/2022_collections_workshop.php
- May 19 ODOT/ACEC Ohio Partnering Conference, Columbus <http://www.acecohio.org/>
- May 20 DAYTON DRAGONS GAME, Dayton <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- Jun 4 National Trails Day® <https://americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/host-information/>
- Jun 9-11 All Ohio Engineering Conference, hybrid <http://ohioengineer.com/>
- Jun 16 ANNUAL COLUMBUS CLIPPERS GAME, <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- Jun 21 Land Records Modernization Conference, Columbus www.ceao.org/
- Jul 14 OHIO STATE BOARD MEETING, Columbus <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- Jul 25-28 2022 One Water Technical Conference, Cleveland, <https://www.onewaterohio.org/>
- Aug 9-10 Ohio Bridge Conference & Trade Show, Dublin www.ceao.org/
- Aug 11 2022 APWA OHIO EXPO, Franklin Co Fairgrounds, <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- Aug 17-18 NORTHWEST OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE <http://ohio.apwa.net>
- Aug 28-31 PWX, Charlotte, NC <https://pwx.apwa.net/>
- Sep 25-30 OHIO PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTE, Saw Mill Creek, Huron ohpsi.org

Welcome New Members

The following people have recently become new members of APWA.

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| Mr. Keegan Anderson, Woolpert Inc | Ms. Jodee Lowe, City of Grove City |
| Ms. Mandy K. Bishop, City of Columbus | Mr. Roger Masters, Jr, City of Centerville |
| Mr. Daniel Black, NASi® Transportation & Mining | Mr. Tevis A. McCammon, Ohio ODOT |
| Mr. Thomas M. Burgasser, City of Massillon Street Dept | Mr. Ron McKinley, City of Independence |
| Mr. Scott Colyer, Stonelick Township | Mr. Rory McGunies, City of Columbus |
| Mr. Nathan Dillard, City of Worthington | Mr. William Milburn, City of Grove City |
| Mr. Patrick Dille, ODOT | Mr. David Neff, City of Springfield |
| Mr. Steven Dzurnak, City of Macedonia | Mr. Jason Phillips, Stonelick Township |
| Mr. Robert Eakin | Mr. Daniel G. Roth, City of Hudson |
| Mr. Franco Giardina, City of Worthington | Mr. Matt Gordon Ruhl, City of Worthington |
| Mr. Craig Goodnight, Woolpert Inc | Mr. Dennis Ryncarz, ODOT |
| Mr. Ethan Harness, City of Miamisburg | Mr. Matt Schuster, Woolpert Inc |
| Mr. Robert Hunter, Dayton Public Schools | Mr. Todd M. Shannon, City of Willowick |
| Mr. Kevin Koesters, City of Grove City | Mr. Matt Toth, PENGWYN |
| Ms. Brittany Kwasny, Cargill Deicing Technology | Mr. Steven Tyminski, Batavia Township |
| Mr. Robert M. Langdon, Amberly Village | Mr. Kenneth Weinart, Jr, City of Grove City |



THE OHIO PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTE launched at last in September 2021. Starting a new signature program in the midst of a pandemic provided its own set of challenges. But your State Board pressed on and welcomed 24 participants to Salt Fork Lodge for a week of intense training, building relationships, and learning how to be a better leader. Everyone found the experience enlightening and useful. They are all looking forward to Year 2 this September. You should join them as a member of the 2022 class.

The Ohio Public Service Institute is the best leadership and team leading training I have ever attended. The facilitator and speakers, all have public service experience and are able to relate their real-life experience, to the tools they teach to manage public employees and to navigate being a supervisor/ manager/ director. If you have ever felt like you were dropped in to a profession without the skills to be successful, this training will give you the tools.

- Robert C. Heady, P.E., P.S., ENV SP



If you are in a leadership position or looking to be in a leadership role, this is the best training that I've been to. It is a fun and very informative training that I will use for the rest of my career!!

- Matt Lenke, Ottawa County Transportation Manager, ODOT

I would recommend OHPSI, for everyone from the top of the ladder to the bottom. It was by far the best training I have ever attended and will continue to use resources and contacts I gain from there for the rest of my career. Thanks for bringing such a great opportunity to Ohio.

- Curtis Freeze, City of Springfield, Ohio

I wish I'd had this training before I took on my management role. Just knowing I can have my serenity back is a game changer.

- Brian Drewes, Equipment Transportation Manager, ODOT

Money and time well spent!! Amazing Leadership Training with some really amazing people. I was so glad I attended and learned so much from each and every person there. Can't wait till next year!!!

- Brock Harder, Highway Technician 3 (Crew Leader), ODOT

I had a fabulous training at Salt Fork! I believe that **ALL** leadership roles should go through this training. Not only to build their business skills, but for the personal impact that it gives! The five days at the conference has made me a better person at work AND at home! Yes, I have been able to utilize a few of the Eureka's from the training. I feel more comfortable in socializing with the crews and coworkers. I am looking forward to next year!!

- Martin Starkey, Ottawa County Transportation Manager, ODOT

PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL TRAINING
Focus on Leadership | Supervisory Skills | Service Excellence

WHAT IS OHPSI?
OHPSI is a three-year training program which provides instruction expressly designed for city and county public service supervisors, managers and directors. This program is divided into three one-week sessions focusing on Leadership Development, Supervisory Skills, and Service Excellence. These sessions are non-sequential and one may begin the three-year cycle at any time. the 2022 program will be held September 25-30, 2022 at Sawmill Creek by Cedar Point Resorts in Huron, Ohio.

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