



Program

April 24–26, 2024

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Texas Airports Council Annual Golf Tournament
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** TxDOT RAMP Coordinators Site Visit
- 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** Exhibitor Setup (*Expo C*)
- 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.** Registration/Check-In
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** Regionalization and Meet Your Team (*Floral A*)
- 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.** New Participant Orientation (*Floral A*)
Facilitator: Becky Vick, TxDOT, Aviation Division

If you are attending for the first time, traveling solo, or want the chance to meet other attendees before the Get Acquainted Reception begins, we urge you to attend the New Participant Orientation. Attending a conference for the first time can be a bit overwhelming. This orientation will provide an opportunity for attendees to meet friendly faces before the conference begins. This is an informal event on Wednesday evening, before the opening reception in the exhibit hall.

- 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** Exhibits Open (*Expo C*)
- 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** Get Acquainted Reception – Exhibit Hall (*Expo C*)
- 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** Dinner and Networking (on your own)

Note: Please take belongings with you when you leave the room each day. Also, for security purposes, please wear your badge at all times, especially for events.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Registration Desk Open

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet in Exhibit Hall (*Expo C*)

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Session (*Expo B*)

Presentation of Colors

Galveston Fire Department

National Anthem

Amy Larison

Welcoming Comments

Dan Harmon, Director, TxDOT, Aviation Division

Mike Shahan, Scholes International Airport

Introduction of Aviation Advisory Committee

State of the Aviation Division Address

Dan Harmon, Director, TxDOT, Aviation Division

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

State Legislative Update

Moderator: Trent Thomas, Director, TxDOT,
Government Affairs Division

State Representative Ernest Bailes, House District 18

State Representative Armando “Mando” Martinez,
House District 39

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Break (*Exhibit Hall*)

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Fireside Chat with Congressman Weber (*Expo B*)

Moderator: Shelly Lesikar deZevallos

Congressman Randy Weber, TX-14, Member of
House Energy and Commerce Committee;
House Science, Space, and
Technology Committee



10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Regionalization and Agency Update (*Expo B*)

Dan Harmon, Director, TxDOT, Aviation Division

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Luncheon: Tex-Mex Buffet (*Expo B*)

Art Contest Awards

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Airport Compliance (*Expo B*)

Gary J. Loftus, A.A.E. Lead Airports Compliance
Program Manager Airport Certification Safety
Inspector, FAA Southwest Region

Michael E. Van Vliet, Planner, Texas Airports District
Office (TXADO), FAA Southwest Region

2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Break (*Exhibit Hall*)

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Breakout Session I

I: Aviation Education (*Expo A1*)

Preparing the workforce of tomorrow is critical to the continued success of the aviation industry. Our panel of experts will share insights on various aviation educational and outreach programs as well as initiatives designed to cultivate interest and talent in aviation and aerospace. This session will highlight efforts for K-12 students to encourage interest in STEM and aviation.

Moderator: Shelly Lesikar deZevallos
Pat Brown, AOPA
Austin Campbell, STEM Flights
Claire Meschkat, Vivify STEM

II: Airport Construction from a Contractor's Perspective (Expo A2)

This session will examine the construction project process from the perspective of the contractor. This panel discussion will cover a broad range of topics that will surely be of interest to both airport consultants and airport sponsors. Understanding various projects from different perspectives enables the stakeholders to better understand them, minimize delays and other issues, and ultimately results in a better finished project. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and participate in this session that brings together contractors, consultants, and airport sponsors.

Moderator: Ed Mayle, Project Manager, TxDOT, Aviation Division
AGC Panel

III: Airport 101 A - Funding (Expo B)

New airport manager or just need a refresher? This session is for you! Come and learn about funding options for your airport, including the different state grant programs and their requirements. Don't forget to bring any questions you have for TxDOT on funding for your airport.

Dan Harmon, Director, TxDOT, Aviation Division

IV: HUB/DBE Session (Expo A3)

Review of DBE and HUB programs and compliance throughout the life of the project with emphasis on eGrants interaction and documentation.

Eli Lopez, DBE/HUB Specialist, TxDOT, Aviation Division

3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Break (Exhibit Hall)



3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Breakout Session II

I: Advancing/Emerging Technologies (Expo A1)

From drone delivery to electric vertical take-off and landing aircraft (eVTOL), technological development is advancing the aviation industry and airports of all sizes should be prepared for the changes these advancements will bring. This session will explore eVTOL and charging infrastructure developments in Texas as well as provide an update on Texas' Advanced Air Mobility Advisory Committee.

Moderator: Emily Lambert, Business Ops Project Manager, TxDOT, Aviation Division
Dan Dalton, Wisk Aero
Sam Hobbs, BETA

II: Airport Consultant Session - TxDOT Aviation Engineering Project Management Staff (Expo A2)

This session will provide an opportunity for the consultant community to hear updates from the Engineering Project Management team. Eusebio “Chevy” Torres, the Engineering Project Management section director, along with his team of project managers, will also be available to answer questions.

Moderator: Eusebio Torres, Director of Engineering, TxDOT, Aviation Division
TxDOT Engineering Section

III: Airport 101 B - Zoning and Minimum Standards (Expo B)

New airport manager or just need a refresher? This session is for you! Learn about regulations that govern airport layout: zoning & minimum standards for runways, taxiways, and land use. Bring any questions on zoning, minimum standards, and how they impact your airport.

David Kirkpatrick, Business Ops Project Manager, TxDOT, Aviation Division

IV: Airport Pavement Tool Update (*Expo A3*)

This session will present and demonstrate a new tool developed by Texas A&M Transportation Institute researchers to visualize pavement condition data as well as provide access to maintenance and rehabilitation plans and historic data. Airport sponsors will learn what data and information is included, how to access it, and tips for interacting with the tool.

Moderator: Luis Camargo, Business Ops Project Manager, TxDOT,
Aviation Division
Clayton Treybig, Texas A&M Transportation Institute

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Texas Airports Council Meeting (*Expo B*)

- Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Election of 2024-2025 Officers
- TAC Goals for 2024-2025
- General Discussion

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Open (*Exhibit Hall*)

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Annual Banquet (*Moody Ballroom*)

TxDOT Aviation Awards Program

- National/Regional Airport of the Year
- Local/Basic/Unclassified Airport of the Year
- State Airport of the Year
- Airport Professional of the Year
- Airport Project of the Year
- Aviation Educator of the Year (K-12)
- RAMP Coordinator of the Year

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Evening Social (*Moody Foyer*)



FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet (*Exhibit Hall*)

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Exhibits and Registration Desk Open
(*Exhibit Hall*)

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

FAA Update (*Expo B*)

Ignacio Flores, Director, FAA Southwest Region

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

RAMP Session (Routine Airport Maintenance Program) (*Expo B*)

TxDOT's Aviation Division administers the Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP), which matches local government expenditures up to \$100,000 for eligible maintenance at publicly owned general aviation airports in 2024. This session will provide more information on RAMP grants including funding and eligibility requirements.

Fernando Hernandez, Business Services
Coordinator TxDOT, Aviation Division
David Kirkpatrick, Business Ops Project Manager,
TxDOT, Aviation Division

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HOURS

According to the Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE), 15 professional development hours (PDHs) are required each year for license renewal. A PDH is defined as a contact/clock hour on any qualifying course or activity with a clear purpose and objective to maintain, improve, or expand the skills and knowledge relevant to the license holder's engineering field. Courses, presentations, or activities related to engineering in a technical, managerial, or ethical manner count toward PDHs.

There are two basic criteria for an activity to count:

1. Is the specific activity on the list of activities in the rule? (See the TBPE website for an excerpt from the rule.)
2. Is the activity relevant to the practice of a technical profession and does it include technical, ethical, or managerial content?

The board wants the reporting process to be as simple as possible and, as such, there are only two things that a license holder needs to do:

1. Certify on the renewal statement that you have completed the Continuing Education Program (CEP) requirement, and return it with your renewal payment. This is the main document that the board reviews and keeps as a record of completing the CEP requirement.
2. Keep some sort of paper proof of your activity. We recommend that you retain a copy of the program.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HOURS LOG

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Name _____ Employee ID _____

Division/District/Company Name _____

Mailing Address _____

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

INITIAL	SESSION TOPIC
	State Legislative Update - .75 PDH
	Fireside Chat with Congressman Weber - .75 PDH
	Airport Compliance - 1 PDH
	Afternoon Session 1 - 1 PDH
	Afternoon Session 2 - 1 PDH

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

INITIAL	SESSION TOPIC
	FAA Update - .75 PDH

Signature *(Your signature certifies your attendance at the sessions indicated.)*

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Cement Council of Texas
Centurion Planning & Design LLC
Cryotech Deicing Technology
D.S. Brown
DAS Geospatial
Don Jackson Construction, Inc.
ECS-Electrical & Construction
Specialists, Inc.
Ennis-Flint by PPG
FoamWorks
FPT INFRASTRUCTURE
Fuel Training Consultants
Garver
Groundwater & Environmental
Services, Inc.
H W Lochner
Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC
Industrial Fabrics, Inc.
Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc.
Kirk Airport Solutions, Inc
KSA Engineers, Inc
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Lumacurve Airfield Signs
MUSCO Lighting
Omni Site
OxCon Systems
Parkhill
Pavement Restoration, Inc.
RDM International Inc
Rodriguez Engineering Laboratories LLC
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