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# Agenda

## Day 1 – Wednesday, July 16, 2025

1:00 – 6:00 pm	<b>MAA Strategic Planning Committee Meeting</b>   Brigantine Boardroom
1:30 – 3:00 pm	<b>MRMCA Board of Directors Meeting</b>   Skipjack A/B
1:30 – 3:00 pm	<b>MTBMA Board of Directors Meeting</b>   The LabRARtory   Cambridge, MD
3:00 – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>   Choptank Foyer
7:00 – 9:00 pm	<b>"MARYLAND NIGHT": Cocktails &amp; Dinner</b>   Manor Lawn ( <i>weather back-up in Choptank Ballroom</i> )

## Day 2 – Thursday, July 17, 2025

7:00 – 8:00 am	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>   Choptank Foyer & Choptank Patio
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### General Sessions | Early Bird Raffle & Coffee | Choptank Ballroom

8:00 - 8:10 am	<b>Opening Remarks</b>
8:10 – 8:55 am	<b>"The Road Ahead: Economic Outlook for the Transportation Industry" (.5 PDH)</b> <i>Presented by: The Honorable Marc Korman, Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee, Maryland House of Delegates</i>
8:55 – 9:25 am	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>   Choptank Foyer
9:25 – 9:55 am	<b>"Building Bridges to Opportunity: Subcontractor Project Prospects on Key Bridge" (.5 PDH)</b> <i>Presented by: Wayne Thomas, PE, Senior VP, Kiewit Infrastructure &amp; Brian Wolfe, Director of Project Development, MD Transportation Authority</i>
9:55 – 10:25 am	<b>"Navigating Federal Policy: Maryland's Transportation Priorities in a Shifting Landscape" (.5 PDH)</b> <i>Presented by: Sean Winkler, Senior Policy Advisor, Transportation Equity and Engagement, MDOT</i>
10:25 – 10:30 am	<b>Day 2 General Session Wrap-Up/Activity Directions</b>

11:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Golf Tournament Sign-In &amp; To-Go Lunch</b>   River Marsh Golf Club
12:30 am – 5:00 pm	<b>Golf Tournament Shotgun Start</b>
11:30 am	<b>Fishing</b>   Meet at the pier, lunch & drinks to be arranged by assigned group leaders.
6:15 pm – 9:15 pm	<b>"TROPICAL NIGHT": Reception &amp; Dinner</b>   Grand Fireplace Patio (Reception)   River's Edge (Dinner) - <i>Weather back-up in Choptank Ballroom</i>

## Day 3 – Friday, July 18, 2025

7:30 – 9:00 am	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>   Choptank Foyer
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<b>Virtual Presentation</b>	<b>"National Leadership on Transportations Most Pressing Issues" (1 PDH)</b> <i>Presented by: NRMCA, NSSGA, ARTBA, NAPA</i>
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9:00 am	<b>Conference Adjourned</b>
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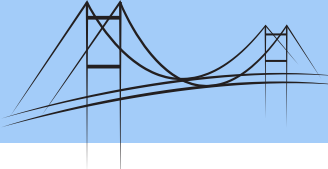
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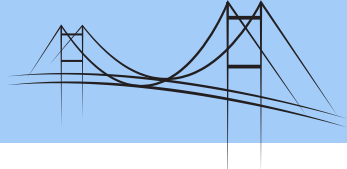
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# About Our Speakers:



## “The Road Ahead: Economic Outlook for the Transportation Industry”



**The Honorable Marc Korman**  
Chair, Environment and  
Transportation Committee  
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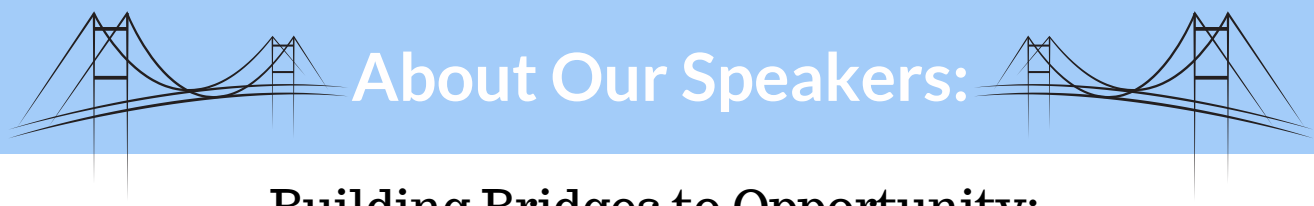
Marc Korman has proudly represented District 16 in the Maryland House of Delegates since 2014. In 2023, he was named Chair of the Environment & Transportation Committee, where he champions issues like public transit, environmental protection, and sustainable growth. Previously, Marc served as House Majority Leader and chaired the Montgomery County House Delegation. A lifelong Montgomery County resident, Marc attended Montgomery County Public Schools, earned degrees from USC, Johns Hopkins, and the University of Maryland, and now lives in Bethesda with his wife, Rebecca, and their two children.



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# About Our Speakers:

## Building Bridges to Opportunity: Subcontractor Project Prospects on Key Bridge



**Wayne Thomas, PE**  
Sr. Vice President  
Kiewit Infrastructure Co.

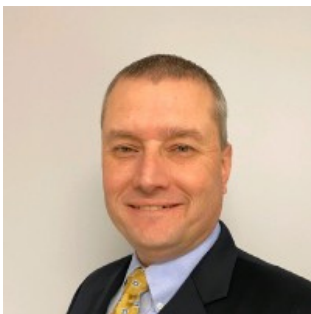
Wayne Thomas, PE is a senior executive (Sr. Vice President) at Kiewit Infrastructure Co. with 37 years of experience managing Kiewit's US major transportation projects.

He assists in leading Kiewit's Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions, providing executive oversight of more than \$7 billion of complex infrastructure replacement and rehabilitation projects.

Key significant regional projects under Wayne's leadership include(d): the Port Authority of NY & NJ Goethals Bridge Replacement Project, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Station Platform Rehabilitation Program, WMATA L-Line (Yellow-line) Tunnel Rehabilitation Project, and currently, the Amtrak Frederick Douglass Tunnel Project in Baltimore, as well as the new Key Bridge Project in Baltimore.

His BS in Civil Engineering & BS in Architectural Engineering is from Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pa.

He is a licensed Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania, New York, and Maryland.



**Brian Wolfe**  
Director of Project  
Development  
MDTA

Brian Wolfe is the Director of Project Development for MDTA with 30 years of experience in the design and construction of transportation structures. Currently, he serves as contract manager overseeing the Key Bridge Rebuild and previously managed programs and projects developed out of MDTA's White Marsh Office, including the I-95 Express Toll Lanes Northbound Extension Program and the Nice/Middleton Bridge Replacement Design/Build project.

Nationally, he represents MDTA at the AASHTO/National Steel Bridge Alliance Collaboration, where he is a member of several task groups. Brian is also a member of the Executive Committee for the International Bridge Conference where he assists with developing the technical sessions and workshops.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Penn State and a Master of Engineering degree from the University of Maryland.

Brian is a licensed Professional Engineer in the states of Maryland, Virginia, and Ohio.



# About Our Speakers:

## Navigating Federal Policy: Maryland's Transportation Priorities in a Shifting Landscape



Sean Winkler  
Senior Policy Advisor  
MDOT

As Senior Policy Advisor for Transportation Equity & Engagement at the Maryland Department of Transportation, Sean supports the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Equity & Engagement in advancing strategic initiatives, policies, government relations, and external communication efforts on behalf of the Secretary of Transportation. Previously, he worked as the Manager of Federal Infrastructure Strategy in the Office of Government Affairs, where he provided strategic guidance to MDOT's collaborative and multi-modal efforts to compete for and secure historic funding contained in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and the Inflation Reduction Act. Since joining MDOT, the agency has secured nearly \$1 billion in discretionary grant funding across its modes.

Immediately prior to joining MDOT, Sean was Vice President at Tai Ginsberg & Associates, a federal transportation advocacy firm, where he supported policy initiatives and federal funding pursuits on behalf of transit agencies, state-supported intercity rail corridors, and local units of government. Sean recently completed a graduate certificate in Sustainable Transportation: Planning & Livable Communities from the University of Washington and holds a B.A. from the University of Maryland, College Park. He served as a member of Governor Wes Moore's Transportation Policy Committee.



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# About Our Speakers:



## National Leadership on Transportation's Most Pressing Issues



**Richard A. Juliano, IOM,  
CAE**  
General Counsel  
American Road &  
Transportation Builders  
Association (ARTBA)

Rich Juliano is one of the nation's leading advocates for transportation construction contractors and investment. As general counsel of the American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA), he oversees the national group's legal and regulatory activities and works as a member of its government relations team. He also manages ARTBA's Contractors Division and serves as principal liaison to its affiliated state contractor organizations, as well as staffing ARTBA's Public-Private Partnerships Division and its annual conference.

Prior to joining ARTBA in 2002, Rich served as the White House liaison at the United States Department of Transportation under then-Secretary Norman Y. Mineta. He earned bachelor's and law degrees from the University of Chicago and is also a Certified Association Executive.

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**Evan Bender**  
Director, Government Affairs  
National Stone, Sand &  
Gravel Association (NSSGA)

Evan Bender serves as the Director of Government Affairs for the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (NSSGA), responsible for covering various issues impacting the aggregates industry including Transportation and Infrastructure, Appropriations, Tax, Labor, Safety, and Health.

Prior to joining NSSGA, he served as a Legislative Director for Congressman Troy Nehls (TX-22), and Legislative Assistant for Congressman John Carter (TX-31).

A native of Austin, TX, Evan holds a bachelor's degree in public administration from the University of Oklahoma.

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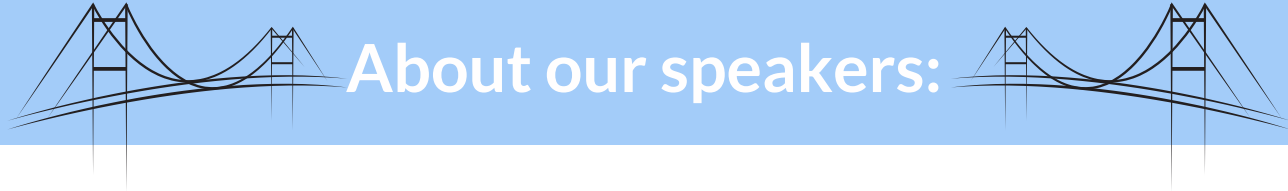
**Mitch Baldwin**  
Director, Government Affairs  
National Asphalt Pavement  
Association (NAPA)

Mitch joined the National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) in January of 2024 after a 7-year career with the State of Maryland. First, in Governor Larry Hogan's office, assisting constituents with navigating the state government agencies and relaying their concerns to the governor's senior staff. Then, at the Maryland State Highway Administration where Mitch gained a wealth of knowledge about the asphalt industry and other transportation-related issues.

Mitch served as Special Assistant to the Administrator before moving over to SHA's Government Affairs. During his tenure on the Government Affairs team, Mitch led the lobbying efforts on many subjects, from work zone safety legislation to critical road funding bills while working in partnership with the Maryland Asphalt Association and other critical interest groups.

Mitch is a lifelong resident of Davidsonville, Maryland where he lives with his two young sons, Ross and Rhett, his wife Jennifer, and lab, Beau. In his free time, Mitch enjoys hunting and fishing.





## About our speakers:

### National Leadership on Transportation's Most Pressing Issues



**Andrew Tyrrell**  
Executive Vice President  
National Ready Mix  
Concrete Association  
(NRMCA)

As the National Ready Mix Concrete Association's (NRMCA) advocate for the ready-mix concrete industry on Capitol Hill, Andrew builds relationships with members of Congress and staff, leveraging member companies' footprint to protect & advance the interests of the industry. During his eight years at NRMCA, Andrew has overseen the policy advocacy and NRMCA's political program, including grassroots engagement and NRMCA's political action committee, CONCRETEPAC.

In addition to his role in Government Affairs, Andrew also serves as staff liaison for the Business Advancement Committee with responsibility for financial performance surveys and education and the IT Task Group.

Prior to coming to NRMCA, Andrew spent six years working on Capitol Hill for a member of Congress on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Andrew holds a BA in Government from Patrick Henry College and an MBA from George Washington University.



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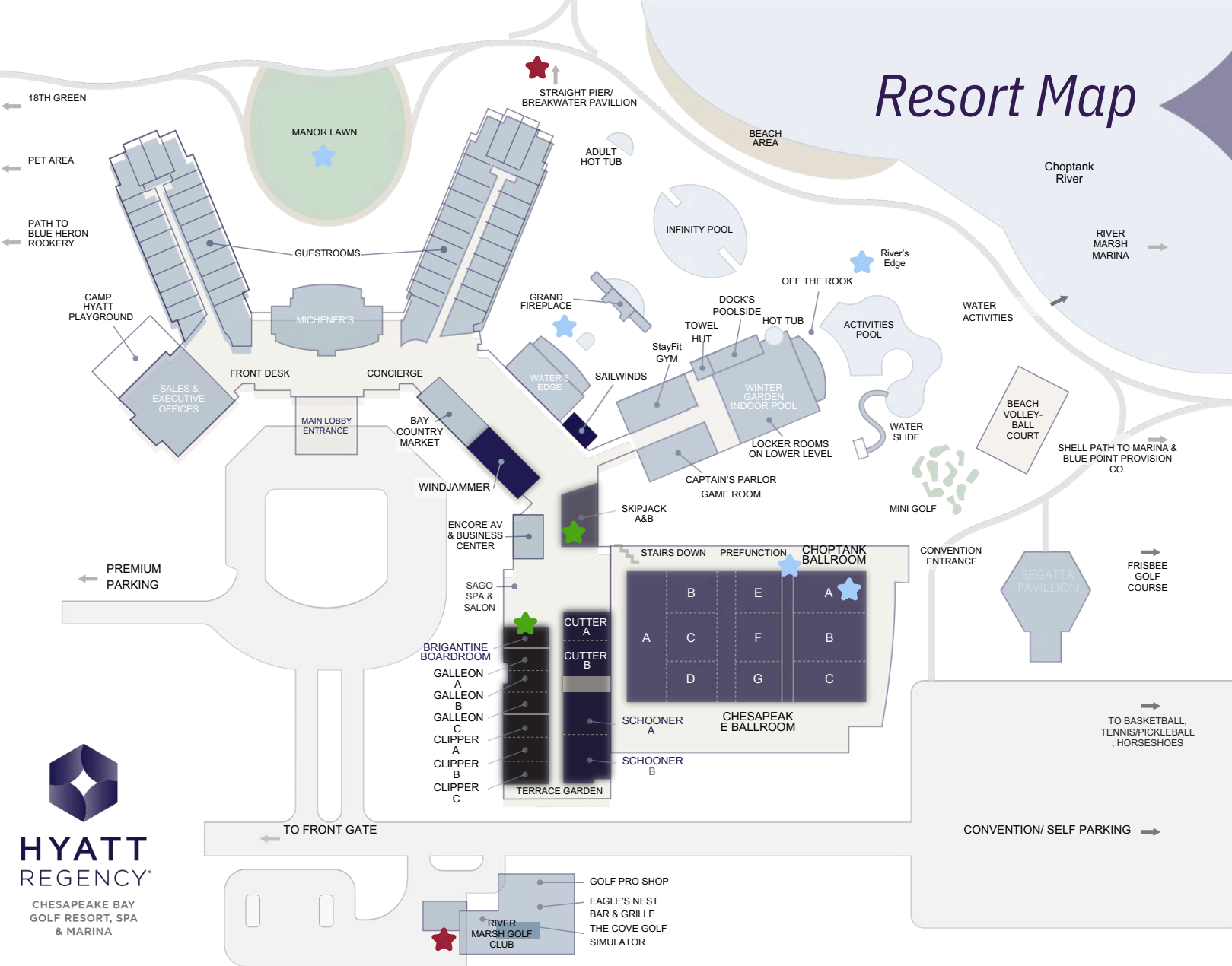


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## Meals & Sessions

- ★ General Sessions  
Choptank Ballroom
- ★ Registration/Breakfast Day 2&3  
Choptank Foyer
- ★ Day 1 Dinner, "Maryland Night"  
Manor Lawn
- ★ Day 2 Reception, "Tropical Night"  
Grand Fireplace
- ★ Day 2 Dinner, "Tropical Night"  
River's Edge

## Activities

- ★ Golf Sign-In & Lunch  
River Marsh Golf Club
- ★ Fishing Sign-In  
Straight Pier

## Association Board Meetings

- ★ MAA Strategic Planning Committee Meeting  
Brigantine Ballroom
- ★ MRMCA Board of Director Meeting  
Skipjack A/B
- ★ MTBMA Board of Directors Meeting, Offsite  
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## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

### Pintail Point Outfitters

Pintail Point Outfitters offers a safe environment for those looking to enjoy the sport of clay shooting. Certified instructors are on hand and offer lessons to have you shooting like a pro in no time. Gun rentals are available as well as retail ammunition.  
(410) 827-7029

### Windy Way Horses

Enjoy outdoor activities at Windy Way Horses. This farm located in Hurlock, Maryland, offers horse training, lessons, and most of all, trail rides. Fun for the entire family!  
(443) 205-3429

### Blackwater Wildlife Refuge

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge is located approximately 12 miles south of the town of Cambridge. Blackwater was established in 1933 as a refuge for migratory birds. The Refuge includes over 27,000 acres, composed mainly of rich tidal marsh.  
[www.fws.gov/refuge/blackwater/contact-us](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/blackwater/contact-us)

## LOCAL LIBATIONS

### RAR Brewing

Local boys brewing local beers on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay. Built in an 80-year-old former pool hall and bowling alley and brewing since 2013.  
(443) 225-5664

### Layton's Chance Winery

The best wine and winery tours this side of the Chesapeake set on more than 14 acres of beautiful vineyards!  
(410) 228-1205

### Ava's Pizza and Wine Bar

We're located downtown on the corner of Poplar & High Streets in a restored historic building in Cambridge. On beautiful days, enjoy a seat outside in front of our restaurant.  
(443) 205-4350

### Blue Ruin - Speakeasy Bar

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(410) 995-7559

## ARTS + CULTURE

### Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Visitor Center

The 17-acre site adjacent to Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge along MD 335 officially opened on March 11, 2017. The state park is a key destination for the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway.

### Main Street Gallery

Established in 2008 as part of the town's newly designated Arts and Entertainment District. Over the years it has evolved into a privately operated cooperative gallery.

### Richardson Maritime Museum

A hidden gem in the heart of Cambridge, Maryland, is the Richardson Maritime Museum. The museum offers tales of Dorchester County's influence on Chesapeake Bay traditional wooden sailing vessels. You will also find a unique collection of exquisite ship models.

### Dorchester Heritage Museum & Gardens

Three historic buildings with interactive exhibits about farm life, industry, timbering, water trades, hunting and trapping and Native Americans families of the area.

## SHOPPING + ENTERTAINMENT

### Bay Country Antiques

The Eastern Shore of Maryland offers many antique shops where you can discover the area's history and tradition.

### Dark Horse Antiques

Experience the area's history and tradition through antiquing.

### Choptank Bowling Center

Looking for something to do that is fun for the whole family? Head over to Choptank Bowling Center.

### Downtown Cambridge, MD

Cambridge, Maryland, is known for its beautiful buildings, and rich maritime and cultural heritage. From unique shops, amazing restaurants, and farmers markets,

## Cambridge History

The city of Cambridge was founded in 1684. It is one of the oldest communities in Maryland. Cambridge was incorporated as a city in 1793. The present-day territory of Cambridge was originally a part of the Choptank Indian Reservation. Cambridge is known as the Queen City on the Eastern Shore. It played a key role in the Civil Rights Movement.



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