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## Thursday, February 26

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| <b>7:30 AM – 9:00 AM</b>    | <b>Kick-start Breakfast: Meet Your Coalition Community</b> ( <i>Location: Live Oak A/B</i> )   |
| <b>9:00 AM – 11:30 AM</b>   | <b>Coalition Executive Committee Meetings (Closed)</b><br>Executive Committee meetings (CASE, COPS, GEO, LDC, MEP) by Invitation Only.   |
| <b>9:30 AM – 11:30 AM</b>   | <b>Morning Connection Lounge: Coffee with Sponsors &amp; Speakers</b> ( <i>Live Oak D</i> )<br>Connect with industry partners and peers — ACEC BIT, ACEC Life/Health Trust, Egnyte, 5 Factor Technology, and Point 5.  |
| <b>11:45 AM – 1:15 PM</b>   | <b>Luncheon Keynote: Inside the Digital Engine of the Houston Airport System</b><br>( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )<br>Darryl Daniel, Deputy Director & Chief Technology Officer, Houston Airport System and Matthew Meier, Aviator Project Manager, Burns Engineering |
| <b>1:15 PM – 1:30 PM</b>    | <b>Transition Break</b> ( <i>Live Oak Foyer</i> )  |
| <b>1:30 PM – 2:30 PM</b>    | <b>Professional Practice Sessions</b> ( <i>Live Oak</i> )  |
| <b>Geoprofessionals</b>     | <b>Recruiting and Retention for Firms of All Sizes</b> ( <i>Winged Elm</i> )<br>Mark Dornak, Senior Materials Training and Development Specialist, Terracon and Gabriel Ornelas, COO, Raba Kistner   |
| <b>Land Development</b>     | <b>Post Hurricane Harvey – Floodplain &amp; Detention Regulations</b> ( <i>Cedar</i> )<br>Kyle Bogardus, Managing Principal, Langan and Sydney Rich, Senior Project Manager, Langan  |
| <b>MEP Engineering</b>      | <b>Designing the Lunar Production &amp; Operations Center: An MEP Perspective</b><br>( <i>River Birch</i> )<br>Nathan Frymire, Senior Mechanical Engineer at Burns & McDonnell   |
| <b>Surveyors</b>            | <b>What's Next for Surveying Professionals</b> ( <i>Magnolia</i> )<br>Paul Carey, President, Medina Valley Surveys   |
| <b>Structural Engineers</b> | <b>The Contract Language Every Structural Firm Should Master</b> ( <i>Red Maple</i> )<br>Karen Erger, SVP, Director of Practice Management, Lockton Companies  |
| <b>2:30 PM – 3:30 PM</b>    | <b>Coalition Leadership Roundtables and Education</b>  |
| <b>Geoprofessionals</b>     | <b>Addressing the Impacts of the Shrinking Geoprofessional Workforce with Automation and Artificial Intelligence</b> ( <i>Winged Elm</i> )<br>Paxton Anderson, CEO, Strata, Victor Donald, Senior Principal, Terracon, Andrew Pennoni, Regional VP, Pennoni    |
| <b>Land Development</b>     | <b>Houston: A Case Study on Housing Economics</b> ( <i>Cedar</i> )<br>Lawrence Dean, President and CEO, Community Builders Advisory Services   |

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| <b>MEP and Structural Surveyors</b> | <b>Leadership Roundtable:</b> Practice Trends & Firm Strategy ( <i>River Birch</i> )   |
|                                     | <b>Leadership Roundtable:</b> Practice Trends & Professional Outlook ( <i>Magnolia</i> )   |
| <b>3:30 PM – 4:00 PM</b>            | <b>Coffee Break and Networking</b> ( <i>Live Oak Foyer</i> )   |
| <b>4:00 PM – 5:00 PM</b>            | <b>Professional Practice Sessions</b>  |
| <b>Geopersonals</b>                 | <b>Lessons From the Field: Real Cases, Real Consequences</b> ( <i>Winged Elm</i> )<br>Victor Donald, Senior Principal, Terracon                              |
| <b>Land Development</b>             | <b>Leadership Roundtable: Practice Trends &amp; Market Outlook</b> ( <i>Cedar</i> )  |
| <b>MEP Engineering</b>              | <b>MEP Practice: Tools, Trends, and Opportunities</b> ( <i>River Birch</i> )<br>Tony Vu, Principal Engineer, Managing Partner, Ph.D., P.E., INS Engineering  |
| <b>Surveyors</b>                    | <b>LiDAR &amp; Reality Capture: Turning Data into Decisions</b> ( <i>Magnolia</i> )<br>Bill Swope, Geospatial Technical Expert, Olsson                       |
| <b>Structural Engineers</b>         | <b>AI &amp; Digital Delivery: What's Next for Structural Practice</b> ( <i>Red Maple</i> )<br>Jim Jacobi, Managing Principal & CIO Emeritus, Walter P. Moore |
| <b>5:00 PM – 7:00 PM</b>            | <b>Evening Reception</b> ( <i>Outdoor Pool Terrace</i> )   |

## Friday, February 27

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| <b>7:30 AM – 8:15 AM</b>   | <b>Breakfast &amp; Networking</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )   |
| <b>8:15 AM – 8:30 AM</b>   | <b>Connecting the Dots: PAC, Policy, and Firm Success</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )<br>Ralph Guida, ACEC PAC Committee Chair and Matt Murello, ACEC PAC Vice Chair          |
| <b>8:30 AM – 8:45 AM</b>   | <b>Break</b> ( <i>Live Oak Foyer</i> )  |
| <b>8:45 AM – 9:00 AM</b>   | <b>Sponsor Presentation</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )   |
| <b>9:00 AM – 10:00 AM</b>  | <b>Higher Professional Liability Limits and What They Mean for Engineering Firms</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )<br>Roger Guillian, Senior Vice President, Greyling Insurance |
| <b>10:00 AM – 10:30 AM</b> | <b>Sponsor Presentation</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )   |
| <b>10:30 AM – 10:45 AM</b> | <b>Break</b> ( <i>Live Oak Foyer</i> )  |
| <b>10:45 AM – 11:45 AM</b> | <b>Driving Value &amp; Performance Through Pragmatic Solutions</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )<br>Josh Politte, President & CEO, ACT Velocity                                 |
| <b>11:45 AM – 12:00 PM</b> | <b>Closing Program Session &amp; Remarks</b> ( <i>Live Oak A/B</i> )  |
| <b>12:00 PM – 3:00 PM</b>  | <b>CASE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS - CLOSED</b> *CASE Subcommittee members only*   |

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