



***Schedule of events: 2018 WCI Washington Meetings**

**(subject to change)*

The Washington Seminar runs from 1:30-5 p.m., with an Opening Lunch at 12 Noon, on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the Watergate Hotel, 2650 Virginia Ave., NW, Washington, DC

Register for the Watergate Hotel here (by January 20):

<https://www.phgsecure.com/IBE/bookingRedirect.ashx?propertyCode=WASWH&group=021218WATW&arrivalDate=02-12-2018&departureDate=02-15-2018&numberOfNights=3>

Tuesday, February 13

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| 7:30 a.m. | Registration opens (<i>Moretti Ballroom Foyer</i>) |
| 8:00 a.m. | Buffet breakfast (<i>Moretti Ballroom Foyer</i>) |
| 8:30-11:30 a.m. | WCI Board of Directors Meeting (<i>WCI members only</i>) (<i>Moretti Ballroom EF</i>) |
| 12:00 p.m. | Opening Lunch Address TBD
(<i>Moretti Ballroom C</i>)
<i>Introduced by Mike Toohey, WCI President/CEO</i> |
| 1:15-1:30 p.m. | Break |
| 1:30-2:00 p.m. | Keynote Seminar Address by The Honorable Mark Buzby, Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration (<i>invited</i>)
(<i>Moretti Ballroom D</i>)
<i>Introduced by Tim Parker, Parker Towing Company, WCI Chairman</i> |
| 2:00-2:45 p.m. | Congressional Professional Staff Panel (<i>invited</i>)
Teri Donaldson , General Counsel, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
Ian Bennett , Staff Director, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
<i>Moderated by Tracy Zea, WCI Director of Government Relations</i> |
| 2:45-3:15 p.m. | Address by Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) (<i>invited</i>)
<i>Introduced by Rodney Weinzierl, Illinois Corn Growers Association; WCI Board of Directors</i> |
| 3:15-3:30 p.m. | Break (<i>Moretti Ballroom Foyer</i>) |

- 3:30-4:00 p.m. **Address by Rep. Bill Shuster, Chairman, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** (*invited*)
Introduced by Peter Stephaich, Campbell Transportation Co., WCI Vice Chairman
- 4:00-4:30 p.m. **Address by D.J. Gribbin, Special Assistant to the President for Infrastructure Policy** (*invited*)
Introduced by Matt Woodruff, Kirby Corporation, WCI Board of Directors
- 4:30-5:00 p.m. **Address by Senator John Barrasso (R-WY), Chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee** (*invited*)
Introduced by Dan Mecklenborg, Ingram Barge Company, WCI Board of Directors
- 5:00-5:45 p.m. **WCI Advocacy Asks: Preparation for Capitol Hill visits** (*WCI members only*), led by **Chris Johnsen** and **John Doyle, Jones Walker**
- 5:45 p.m. Adjourn
- 5:45-7:00 p.m. **WCI Opening Reception** (*The Library*)

Wednesday, February 14

- 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast (*Corning Room*)
- 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Capitol Hill Visits
- 6:00 -9:00 p.m. **WCI 17th Annual Leadership Service Award reception and dinner** (*honoree TBA*)
(*Moretti Ballroom EF*)
Waterways Counsel Award presentation to **Jeffrey McKee**, Chief, Navigation Branch, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Presentation/Retiring of the Colors by the Joint Armed Forces Color Guard from the Military District of Washington

Thursday, February 15

- 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast (*Cecchi Foyer*)
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. WCI Membership and Retention Committee Meeting (*Cecchi A*) (*by invitation only*)
- 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. National Waterways Foundation Meeting (*Foundation Trustees, Invited Guests Only*) (*Cecchi Foyer*)