



**AMERICAN
GREAT LAKES PORTS
ASSOCIATION**

AGENDA

AMERICAN GREAT LAKES PORTS ASSOCIATION SUMMER MEETING - PUBLIC SESSION

August 25, 2021
PORTAGE, INDIANA

Northwest Indiana Forum Building
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana

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| 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM | WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS
<i>welcome comments from Vanta Coda, CEO - Ports of Indiana & Heather Ennis, President & CEO - Northwest Indiana Forum</i> |
| 9:15 AM - 9:30 AM | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
<i>update by Steve Fisher, Executive Director, on the Association's activities over the last 6 months and the status of key legislative issues before Congress.</i> |
| 9:30 PM - 10:00 PM | NINTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT UPDATE
<i>presentation from RADM Michael J. Johnston, Commander - Ninth District, on the Coast Guard's mission and activities in the Great Lakes</i> |
| 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM | ENHANCING ICEBREAKING SERVICES
<i>presentation by Eric Peace, Director of Operations and Communications - Lake Carriers Association, on the Great Lakes Winter Commerce Act, and ongoing efforts to build a new heavy icebreaker</i> |
| 10:30 AM - 10:45 AM | BREAK |
| 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM | ROUNDTABLE ON SYSTEM MARKETING
<i>discussion with Craig Middlebrook, Deputy Administrator; Rebecca Yackley, Director of Trade & Economic Development;</i> |

and Peter Hirthe, Regional Representative - Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

GOVERNORS' MARITIME INITIATIVE

report by Dave Naftzger, Executive Director - Great Lakes St. Lawrence Governors and Premiers, on regional initiatives in support of cruise tourism, smart shipping, trade promotion, and implementation of the Governors' maritime strategy

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

LUNCH & PACESETTER AWARD PRESENTATION

1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

AAPA INITIATIVES

presentation by Cary Davis, Senior Government Relations Director and General Counsel - American Association of Port Authorities, on key issues and advocacy for the nation's ports

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

SAFE AND RELIABLE PILOTAGE

update by Mr. Todd Haviland, Director - Office of Great Lakes Pilotage / U.S. Coast Guard, on pilotage services and current issues

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM

GREAT LAKES CRUISING POST-PANDEMIC

presentation from Bill Annand, Vice President - Victory Cruise Lines, on the company's Great Lakes operations and issues effecting post-pandemic resumption of service

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

IMPROVING COASTAL RESILIENCY

presentation by David Bucaro, Chief, Project Management Section - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District, on the Great Lakes Coastal Resiliency Study

3:00 PM

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