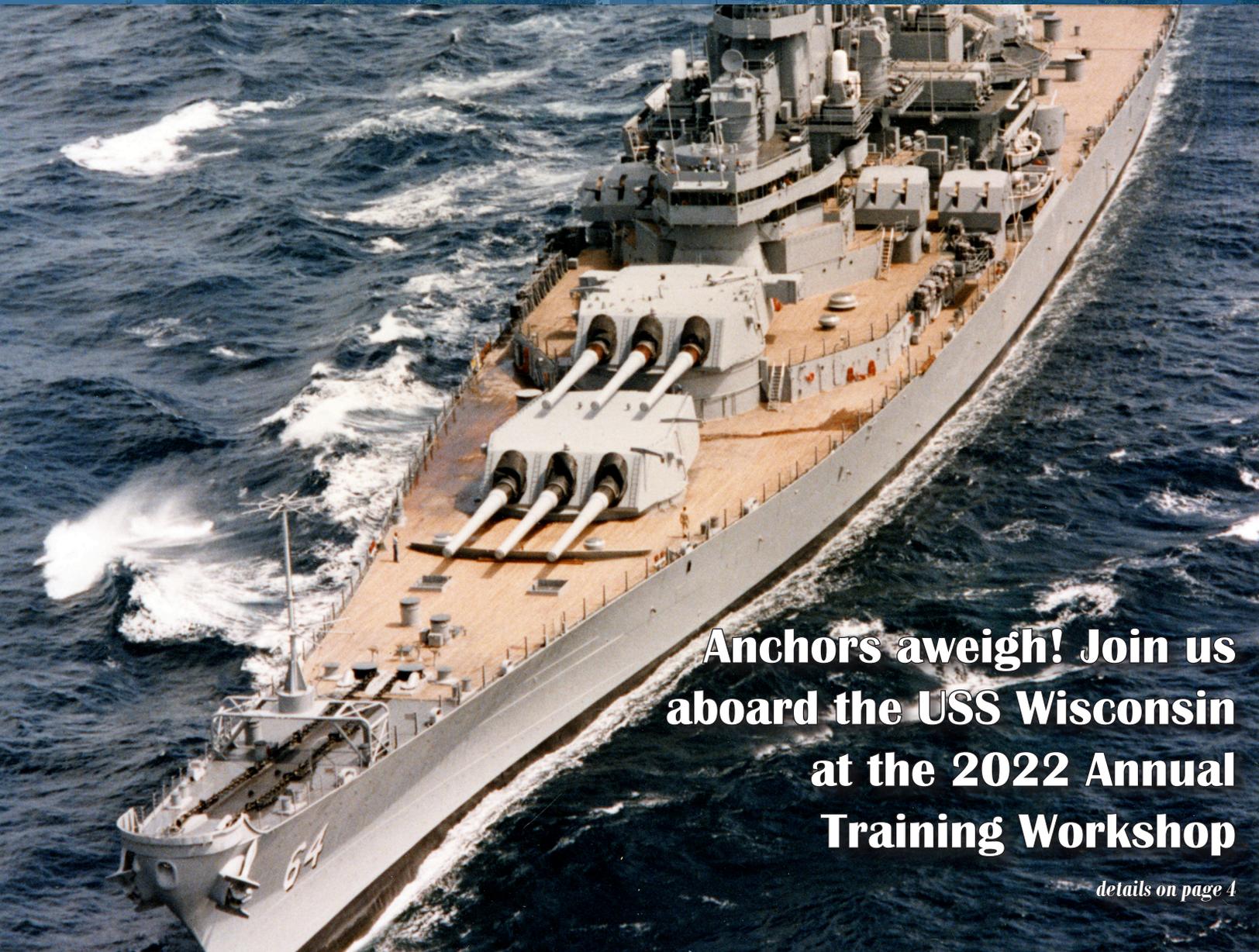




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**Anchors aweigh! Join us
aboard the USS Wisconsin
at the 2022 Annual
Training Workshop**

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Saying Goodbye

Dear FPD Members,

It has been an honor serving the Federal Planning Division with all of you. I want to thank all members of FPD and Executive Committee for giving me two great years as the chair. We have accomplished several things in two years: held three virtual workshops and monthly webinars, increased paid membership by 28 percent, increased funds for future events by 45 percent, established new positions in the EC, rebooted the scholarship program, restarted the newsletter, and started a new FPD website, to name a few. We met the challenges of COVID head-on by thinking out of the box, communicating virtually, delivering great training to members, and highlighting federal planning accomplishments. Thank you for playing an active role in these activities as we continue to further the mission of the division.

With this progress, there is still much to be done, and it brings me great satisfaction that FPD is in good hands with the new chair, Wayne Hausser. I ask that you continue to extend the same level of support to Wayne as our organization continues to grow and stay the premier division for federal planning.

Looking forward to continuing my service and supporting all of you in the coming years.

Andrew Wright, AICP, PMP
FPD Chair 2020-21



Congratulate our Division's New AICP Members!

- J. Lawrence Frank, AICP
- Lyndsey Deaton, AICP
- Melissa Dameron, AICP
- Chelsey Nault, AICP
- Katie Merry, AICP
- Shenita Andretia McConis, AICP
- Stella A. Acuna, AICP
- James Howell, AICP
- Emily L. Kosmalski, AICP

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... And Hello

FPD Members,

I would like to acknowledge achievements of the 2021 Division Leadership and thank them for their service. This Executive Committee and the broad net of committee members have once again proven that the federal planners are one of the most hard-working Divisions in the APA. These volunteers have met the persistent challenges created by the global pandemic and expanded the activities and services for professional planners in the FPD.

All should recognize that the FPD is well organized and moving in a great direction. I thank Andrew Wright, Brett James, Joe Hart, and their predecessors for the leadership. It is also important to recognize the achievements of a countless volume of volunteers that have built the foundation of success. Whether they assume the responsibilities of an Executive Committee role or contribute to a working committee, FPD volunteers are the best!

As we get the year started, I offer my personal platform of goals for the two-year term. These interests were outlined in the candidate statement I presented during the nomination process. They are built on the experience and the perspective of almost two decades of FPD membership.

1. I will support FPD members, leaders, and volunteers to continue and improve the programs that distinguish the division. Plans are in place to return to an in-person FPD Planning Workshop in June 2022, and the committees are working to make this event better than ever. Additionally, we will continue to leverage APA resources and provide virtual continuing education programs.
2. I am eager to represent all federal planners within the larger community of professional planners. As a member of the APA Divisions Council, I look forward to expanding awareness of federal planning and the division. This effort is focused on growing the division as a diverse and values-based professional organization.
 - I plan to investigate opportunities to expand the FPD's role within the federal government. This effort includes two components.
 - We should continue the ongoing efforts to engage a broad spectrum of federal agencies. This includes incorporating planners from a broader spectrum of agencies and identifying agencies that can benefit from deliberate and effective professional planning.



Wayne takes in the view in Brasov, Romania.

- FPD membership includes subject matter experts with advanced education and diverse experience. As an organization, I believe we can offer expertise that cannot be found elsewhere in the public sector, private practice, or academia. As a non-profit and non-governmental organization, we can offer values-based planning advisory and consultation as the federal planning center of expertise.

In closing, I can attest to the value of getting involved. Some of my most valued professional experiences have been with the FPD. The invitation is open to all and any. If you have an idea to improve the organization, please come forward and let's discuss. If you just want to get involved, there are a wide variety of committees and activities that can use your talents.

I look forward to the opportunity to see people this coming year, and wish you all the best.

Wayne Hausser, PE, AICP
FPD 2022-23 Chair



2022 FEDERAL PLANNING DIVISION

ANNUAL TRAINING WORKSHOP

Norfolk, VA
6-9 June 2022



A Sneak Peek into the 2022 Federal Planning Division Annual Training Workshop – Better Together!

By Abbey Ness, 2022 FPD Workshop Chair

Like many of you, I have been eagerly awaiting the opportunity to gather together in person again for an FPD event. That is why I am so pleased to write about the 2022 Federal Planning Division (FPD) Annual Training Workshop, to be held in Norfolk, VA, from June 6-9, 2022. As the premier training opportunity for federal planners, and as our first chance to be back together in person since the San Francisco workshop in 2019, this year's workshop promises to be an exciting opportunity to catch up with colleagues and learn about the latest innovations in federal planning.

Before I dive into the details, I want to give you a heads up that all workshop information will be available on our workshop website at www.FPDworkshop.com. You can stay tuned to the website for more details as the date approaches. However, the best way to stay up to date about workshop announcements is to become a member of FPD so that you will receive regular communications from us. Visit the membership page of the FPD website for more information on how to join.

Why Hampton Roads?

This year's workshop will be the first time that FPD has hosted its annual workshop separately from the APA National Planning Conference (NPC). This is an approach that numerous iterations of the Executive Committee have mused about trying but never pursued – that rather than hosting the workshop in the locations where the APA National Planning Conference is held, we would target locations that are convenient to our members and can feature relevant federal-centric content. This approach also gives FPD the opportunity to host its workshop in locations that are more

affordable than the large cities that traditionally host NPC, allowing more attendees to be able to afford to attend the FPD workshop.

The city of Norfolk, located in the Hampton Roads region, is home to a large number of federal planners and sites. By hosting the 2022 Annual Training Workshop in Norfolk, we will be able to capitalize on the region's unique learning environment to offer content that will stretch the bounds of federal planning and equip you with the tools and resources you need to bring innovative strategies to the federal properties with which you work.

The Hampton Roads region is one of the most progressive in the country when it comes to regional collaborations for climate change mitigation and hazard planning. Federal, state, and local leadership, both public and private, have worked together to devise creative strategies to combat sea level rise, recurrent flooding, and land subsidence using natural and manmade approaches. Attendees of the 2022 FPD Annual Training Workshop will have the opportunity to hear directly from leaders involved in these partnerships about how they resolved conflicting interests and manage ongoing risks.

The region's large military presence means that we will also have lots of content featuring creative partnerships between military, other federal, and local planners, including exciting and effective transportation and land use management planning projects. This content will be supplemented by sessions focusing on transportation, health, equity, technology, and professional development, among other topics.

Because of all of this quality educational content, we have set up the workshop schedule so that local and regional planning content will be featured on one day and multi-

agency partnerships on another. We hope that this model will draw in local government and diverse federal agency attendees who cannot attend the full duration of the workshop. The schedule will be finalized once registration opens in early March 2022.

Special Events

In addition to crafting tailored session content, our workshop committee has been hard at work planning a series of special events for attendees that will elevate your workshop experience. Here are a few highlights:

- Thanks to a partnership with the City of Norfolk, FPD will be hosting its opening reception on the decks of the USS Wisconsin. This decommissioned battleship, which served in the Pacific Theater in World War II, the Korean War, and Operation Desert Storm, is now permanently docked along the downtown Norfolk waterfront as part of the Nauticus National Maritime Center, just a few blocks from the workshop venue.
- The 2021 FPD Awards ceremony will be wrapped into the closing reception and will be free for all attendees! We look forward to a night of celebration as we highlight the best federal planning initiatives from the past few years.
- Attendees will have the opportunity to receive both the new resiliency and equity AICP CM credits (*more about this on page 8 of this newsletter*) at the workshop – more details to be announced.
- Mobile tours around the Hampton Roads region will give attendees the chance to view innovative planning initiatives up close and personal.
- We have special plans to involve students in this year's workshop, allowing them to learn about federal planning from seasoned practitioners. More details to be announced – contact Steve Baird, the Student Committee Chair, at BairdJS@bv.com to get involved.

Schedule Information

Schedule information will be finalized in early March when registration opens. Keep an eye on the workshop website www.fpdworkshop.com for more information. Preliminary information is provided in the red box at top right.

How to Get Involved

The deadlines have passed for session proposals and awards nominations. Session proposal points of contact should be notified by the end of February as to whether their proposal was accepted. Award winners will be announced at the workshop.

Volunteer

Our workshop committees have already been meeting throughout the fall, but we welcome volunteers at any time. We have a particular need for volunteers to help with the workshop app – no coding experience required, just familiarity with Excel and data entry. We also welcome folks to help on site at the workshop with various tasks. Please email Abbey Ness at FPDworkshopchair@gmail.com.

Preliminary Schedule

- Monday, June 6th
 - Agency-led sessions in the morning (invite only)
 - Mobile tours in the afternoon
 - Opening reception in the evening
- Tuesday, June 7th
 - Educational sessions all day
 - Keynote luncheon
 - No evening event
- Wednesday, June 8th
 - Keynote breakfast in the morning
 - Educational sessions all day
 - Closing reception and awards ceremony in the evening
- Thursday, June 9th
 - General session in the morning
 - Mobile tours following the general session

Sponsorship

FPD would not be able to offer quality educational content to our members without the generous contributions of our sponsors. There are a range of ways that your organization can help support this year's workshop, but opportunities are limited, so don't delay! The sponsorship packet will be posted on the workshop website in the next few weeks. For more information, please contact the Sponsorship Committee chair, Rachael Richter, at rrichter@mbakerintl.com to make a commitment.

COVID Policies

Should a rise in COVID cases or other force majeure coincide with the timing of the workshop, we will host the workshop as planned, but in a virtual format. The cost of registration will not change if we change to this format, so there will be no benefit in waiting closer to the workshop to register to attend, although you may want to wait to make travel arrangements depending on your ability to cancel reservations. We plan to be able to make a final decision by early May 2022 as to the format of the workshop.

Should the event be held in person, the current plan is to recommend masks for all attendees. We anticipate having a wristband system that will indicate whether people are comfortable being approached for conversations. This information will be finalized once registration is opened in early March.

Questions?

We look forward to seeing you in Norfolk! Please reach out to FPDworkshopchair@gmail.com with any questions!

Abbey Ness, AICP
2022 FPD Workshop Chair
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Virtual Fall Training Workshop

The Federal Planning Division hosted a Virtual Fall Workshop on November 4, 2021. The “Infrastructure Forward” themed workshop offered free 4 AICP CM credits to members, students, and non-members. The event was hosted by more than 20 thought leaders in the federal planning practice. From workshop kick-off to wrap-up, audiences of 80-100 professionals in planning, architecture, and engineering disciplines listened and participated in each virtual session.

FPD wishes to thank event hosts for developing curriculum, creating engaging virtual content that educated us through powerful data, thought-provoking questions, technical analysis, personal stories, and a variety of training activities. On behalf of our membership, we thank our hosts:

- Mark Gillem, Barry Gordon, and Tricia Kessler (Urban Collaborative) for conducting an interactive design studio on “Rethinking the Regulating Plan” (1 CM).
- Richard Littlefield (HDR) for hosting a session on “Prioritizing Roadway Sea Level Rise Mitigation in the Florida Keys” (0.5 CM).
- Eric Haase (ESA), Celeste Werner (The Matrix Group), Andrea Kuhn (Retired), Mark Carpenter (KTUA), Tricia Kessler (Urban Collaborative), and Brett James (NAVFAC) for hosting an interactive ethics workshop “Ethics Cases of the Year 2020” (1.5 CM).
- Kyle Fisher, Aaron Causey, Scott Stewart, Herman Taitt, Nekisha McGill, and Cynthia Mendoza-Karl (MARFORRES and HDR) for sharing technical content and first-hand accounts of a devastating natural event, “Impacts of Hurricane Ida on New Orleans” (0.5 CM)
- Ya-Chi Huang (NB San Diego), Kristin Camper (MCAS Miramar), and Anna Shepherd (NB Coronado) in presenting land use best practices in “Metro San Diego Encroachment Challenges” (0.5 CM)
- Jessica Conquest (King County) for hosting the “APA Member Spotlight” event and to featured members: Alan Hachey (Jack Faucett Associates), Jim Riordan (Weston and Sampson), Katie Merry (U.S. Air Force, Joint Base San Antonio), and Ricqui Brager (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)

Special thanks go to FPD volunteers Ras Cannady, Heather Mendenall, and Rena Schlachter for event promotion and to our large and active audience. Although we are still being impacted by COVID safety measures and physical distancing, seeing 80 people attend and actively engage in each session sends a powerful message. Despite the challenges of a global pandemic, our social connections to each other remain strong. Through FPD monthly and Fall Workshop virtual events, we can be physically distanced, and socially connected.

Elizabeth Perales, AICP
FPD Vice Chair





FALL TRAINING WORKSHOP "INFRASTRUCTURE FORWARD"

NOVEMBER 4 • 2021
8:00AM-2:00PM PT
10:00 AM-4:00 PM CT
4 AICP CM CREDITS

APA FPD OPENING REMARKS	8:00 AM PT / 10:00AM CT
RETHINKING THE REGULATING PLAN (1 CM)	8:15-9:15 AM PT 10:15-11:15 AM CT
PRIORITIZING ROADWAY SEA LEVEL RISE MITIGATION IN THE FLORIDA KEYS (0.5 CM)	9:20-9:50 AM PT 11:20-11:50 AM CT
IMPACTS OF HURRICANE IDA ON NEW ORLEANS LA (0.5 CM)	10:00-10:30 AM PT 12:00-12:30 PM CT
APA ETHICS CASES OF 2020 (1.5 CM)	11:00- 12:30 PM PT 1:00-2:30 PM CT
METRO SAN DIEGO ENCROACHMENT CHALLENGES (0.5 CM)	12:30-1:00 PM PT 2:30-3:00 PM CT
NETWORKING EVENT-APA MEMBER SPOTLIGHT	1:00-2:00 PM PT 3:00-4:00 PM CT

2022 Professional Development Updates

Webinars: For the start of 2022 we are continuing our mini webinar series, which highlights the 2020 FPD Awards. We have reached out to the other winners to schedule the next webinars for February and March. We will then shift our focus to a new webinar theme for the second half of next year.

FPD PDO Webpage: We are working on creating the webpage and hope to launch in the spring. This webpage will provide the membership additional professional development resources, allow members to submit other resources, and have the recordings of the monthly webinars.

Spring AICP Training: We are reviewing the trainings/materials from previous years. We have reached out to several members to help update the content and organize this training session. We will advertise this to the membership in the early spring as well.

Nikki Boler
FPD Professional Development Officer

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion as part of AICP Certification

As part of society's current reckoning with legacies of systemic racism, exclusion, and lack of diversity, the planning profession has had to consider its own role, including an examination of how past and current planning practices have contributed to and continue to perpetuate this history. Calls have arisen within the profession for recognizing this legacy and for taking action to ensure that the policies, practices, education, and ethics that guide the profession respond to persisting inequities and calls for change.

A key element in these efforts is to ensure that the profession's professional certification program, the AICP, not only welcomes and supports certification of planners from diverse backgrounds but also takes responsibility for ensuring all AICP members are cognizant of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) concerns and have the tools to address them. As outlined in an article by AICP President and past APA President Mitchell Silver, FAICP, in the July 2021 Planning magazine, AICP is taking several steps to support diversity and equity, including the following:

- Revisiting the AICP certification exam to ensure EDI, based on the AICP Fair Exam Goals
- Offering prospective AICP members from under-represented groups the opportunity to apply for financial assistance administered by APA Chapters and the AICP Certification Diversity Scholarships
- Evaluating the certification process to ensure it is inclusive of a diversity of people and the many roles that make up the Planning profession
- Adding two new mandatory credit topics to the Certification Maintenance (CM) continuing education requirements for AICP members, including an equity credit and a targeted topic to reflect emerging issues that communities face (see below)
- Updating the AICP Code of Ethics to place a greater emphasis on equity

Members were able to begin earning and logging the two new mandatory credit requirements on January 1, 2022. One credit is required for each of the mandatory credits (Law, Ethics, and the two new mandatory credits), and the total number of credits is unchanged.

The Equity credit can be earned by participating in an educational activity that addresses EDI (see those terms as defined on the AICP CM page) including topics such as race/anti-racism, and EDI within housing, criminal justice, law enforcement, police reform, and planning history/historical context.

The targeted topic credit will enable the AICP commission to rotate the specific topic requirement to address evolving professional development needs. For the period beginning January 1, the topic is Sustainability and Resilience (S&R), reflecting the need to respond to and prepare for issues such as climate change, sustainable development, and

Existing APA Resources on EDI

- Planning for Equity Policy Guide
- Social Equity Knowledge Base Collection, which provides background and examples of local planning recommendations
- Centralized list of upcoming EDI-related events and educational programming
- Videos of first-person accounts of planners who have made EDI central to their work
- Reading list of research publications and APA materials on topics of EDI

Search "diversity" on the APA website for these and more

hazard resilience. According to the CM criteria, "Planning for sustainability means balancing social, economic, and environmental resources, incorporating resilience, and linking local actions to regional and global concerns. Planning for resilience means supporting the capacity of individuals, communities, and systems to survive, adapt, and thrive in the face of chronic stresses and acute shocks and even transform when conditions require it." Courses eligible for these credits must build knowledge of at least one of 12 topics within five categories, including Disruptors of S&R, Addressing Climate Change, Strategies Advancing S&R, Tools & Mechanisms for S&R, and Multidimensional Interaction for S&R.

Complete descriptions of the criteria are available on the AICP pages of the APA web site at <https://www.planning.org/cm/credits/>, and as with the previous mandatory credits, course listings on the AICP CM page indicate the courses that are eligible for the credits. Self-reporting is also allowed for these credits, using the criteria provided.

Melanie Fosnaught
FPD Communications Committee

How Can We Do Better?

Please fill out the survey linked [here](#) (or scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to access it) to share your thoughts on how our Division can better serve a more diverse group of planners and promote EDI through our work.



Feel free to email federalplanning@gmail.com with suggestions for EDI-related topics we can cover in future newsletters.

Katie Benzel
FPD Communications Committee

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