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Thank you for joining us for our first-ever virtual conference and for supporting ASCE Texas Section programming. I know you are facing many of the same challenges we have experienced as we come to the close of 2020. Budget challenges, lack of time, growing our team, new leadership hurdles, and more. With these challenges, we also see a lot of new opportunities. To overcome our immediate challenges and arrive at a sustainable solution, we embarked on a fast-paced, high-tech journey. With the help of dedicated volunteer leaders, partners, and providers, we developed a new conference platform – delivering the superior continuing education and providing important relationship building opportunities that civil engineers in Texas and beyond rely upon. From planning and design, to management and implementation, it is vital for businesses and communities to develop engineers who rise above and reach further. Envisioning the future is key and the CECON 2020 program encourages this mindset in all engineers. After you've enjoyed keynote sessions by industry leaders, one of a kind panels, and wide variety of technical breakout sessions during the conference, you'll be better prepared and encouraged to continue overcoming current and future challenges. The future of civil engineering is bright!



Also, I look forward to virtually connecting with you during the conference. I encourage you to take full advantage of the conference platform's features by scheduling 1-on-1 chats and connecting with your peers and mentors, industry leaders, and future team members. Be sure to say "hi" to a student attendee and stick around for virtual bingo and receptions.

My excitement for CECON 2020 is through the roof although getting here was not easy. After the 2019-2020 ASCE Texas Section Board directed the CECON Planning Committee to hold a virtual conference this fall for the safety of our participants and the public, a lot of re-work happened... all within the span of three months. Our volunteers worked tirelessly but enthusiastically to build an engaging program and then they pivoted quickly to convert it all to 100% virtual. Please be sure to join ASCE Texas Section 2020 President Susan K. Roth PE, PMP during the Opening Ceremony as she thanks all our CECON Planning Committee members. They truly embody our vision: *Texas civil engineers are leaders in their communities building a better quality of life across the street and around the world.*

Finally, thanks again for supporting ASCE Texas Section programming. The success of our flagship, annual conference allows us to provide outstanding programming throughout the year. All these opportunities make a difference for so many civil engineers. By joining us at CECON 2020 as an attendee, collaborator, exhibitor, speaker, or sponsor, you in-turn support the ASCE Texas Student Symposium, ASCE Texas Infrastructure Report Card, ASCE Texas Legislative Drive-In, Leadership Development Weekend, *Texas Civil Engineer*, and more. We are proud to offer this amazing slate of programs and resources to serve the civil engineering community – and we couldn't do it without you! Thank YOU!

Enjoy the conference,

Lindsay A. O'Leary PE, CAE, LEED AP, M.ASCE
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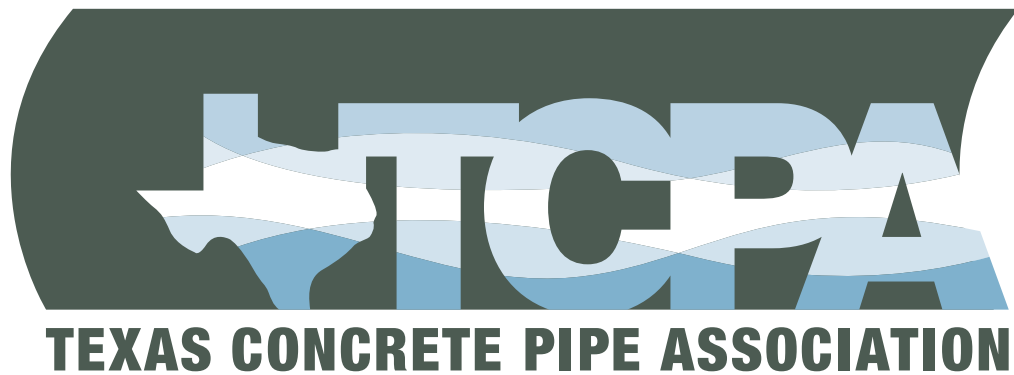
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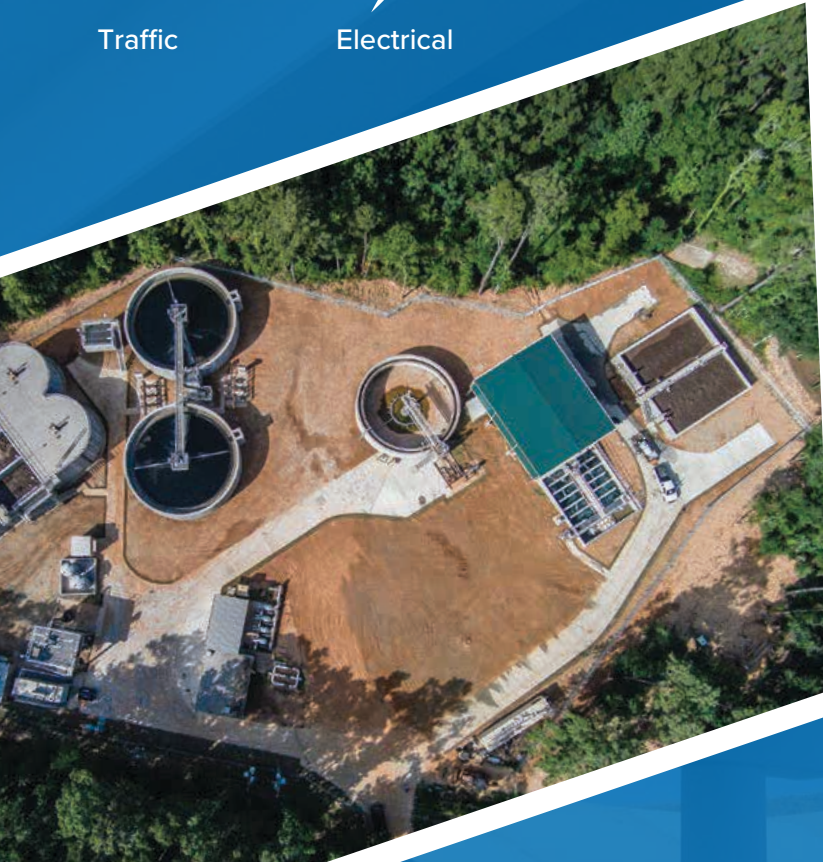
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

10:15 AM -11:35 AM.....**Opening Ceremony
with Keynote: ASCE Future World Vision**
See page 17 for session itinerary.

K.N. Gunalan PhD, PE, D.GE, F.ASCE
ASCE President 2020
Senior Vice President, Transportation Alternative Delivery
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11:35-11:55 AM..... Break

11:55 AM-1:00 PM.....**Keynote
A 2020 View of Transportation and TxDOT**

Marc D. Williams PE
Deputy Executive Director
TxDOT

1:00 PM – 1:15 PM..... Break

1:15 PM – 2:15 PM..... Breakout Sessions

***Estimate of Long-Term Water Availability for a
Reservoir in Texas***
John Zhu PhD, PG

***Contract Terms for Engineers and the Agency
Problem***
L. Wayne Edgar PE, MBA, Attorney at Law

***Properties and Applications of Cement-Stabilized
Subgrade***
Greg Halsted PE

Attracting and Retaining Top Talent
Blake Pellerin

2:15 PM – 2:30 PM..... Break

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM.....Panel
A TxDOT Divisions Town Hall

Dan Harmon (Aviation)
Graham Bettis (Bridges)
Marisabel Ramthun (Design)
Carlos Swonke (Environmental Affairs)
Martin Rodin (PEPS Professional Engineering
Procurement Services)

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM.....Exhibit Hall Break

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM..... Breakout Sessions

***FHWA Performance Engineered Mixture (PEM)
Initiative & Mobile Technology Concrete Center***
Jagan Gudimettla
Mike Praul

Thermal Integrity Profiling
Brandon Phetteplace PE

***Missouri City Pavement & Sidewalk Management
Program***
Shashi K. Kumar PE

State Flood Plan
Reem Zoun PE, CFM, ENV SP

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM.....Exhibit Hall Break

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM.....Networking Reception
Happy Hour with ASCE Texas Section Leaders

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM..... Engineering Ethics Session*
Proposed Watershed Changes to ASCE Code of Ethics
*Qualifies for ethics PDH

Steven Starrett PhD, PE, D.WRE, F.ASCE, F.EWRI
LeTourneau University

Carlos Bertha PhD
United States Air Force Academy

AGENDA

8:30 AM – 9:00 AMExhibit Hall Break

9:00 AM – 10:00 AMLightning Rounds

Projected Reservoir Rating Curves Based on Sedimentation Surveys by John Zhu PhD, PG

Texas Water Management: A Fourfold Solution by Jim O'Brien PE, CFM

The Future of Houston by Eva Schexnider EIT

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Breakout Sessions

Getting the Most from Your SUE Deliverables
Ronke Osibajo PE, CFM

Burnout Proof Your Leadership
Michael Levitt

Ductile Iron Pipe Restrained Joints & Horizontal Directional Drilling
John Simpson PE

10:00 AM – 10:45 AM.....Exhibitor Hall Break

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM..... Breakout Sessions

Evapotranspiration (ET) Cover System for Landfill Closure
Md Jobair Bin Alam PhD

Flood Monitoring
June Wolfe PhD
Kevin Balke PE

11:45 AM-12:00 PM..... Break

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM.....**Keynote**
The Role of AI in Tomorrow's Organizations

Toby Cappello
Vice President for Watson AI Expert & Delivery Services
IBM

1:15 PM – 1:30 PM..... Break

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM.....**ASCE Region 6 Assembly**
Spaceport America: From Concept to Development to Operation

William M. Gutman PhD
Director of Aerospace Operations
Spaceport America

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM.....Break

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM..... Breakout Sessions

I-35 Waco
Blake Axen PE

Crockett Street Bridge Historic Truss Preservation
Brian Kuehl PE

Full-Depth Repairs of Jointed Concrete Pavements
Tim Martin PE

Geohazard Management for Oil and Natural Gas Pipelines
Rodolfo B. Sancio PhD, PE, D.GE

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM.....Exhibit Hall Break

4:00 PM – 5:15 PM.....**Legislative Panel Discussion**

Texas Representative Dennis Paul PE
Texas Senator Bryan Hughes
Texas Representatives John P. Cyrier
Texas Representatives Sarah Eckhardt
Texas Representatives Donna Howard
Texas Representatives Dade Phelan

5:15 PM – 6:00 PM.....Exhibit Hall Break

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM.....**ASCE Texas Awards Ceremony & CECON Gala Reception** featuring a virtual bingo game
See pages 18-19 for session itinerary.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Breakout Sessions

Subsurface Utility Engineering for Municipalities

Bobby Nagel PE

Emerging Technology: Public Health through Soil Vapor Mitigation

John Sepich PE

Truck Transport and Lifting Design Criteria for Onshore Modular Pre-assembled Units

Ms. Silky Wong PhD, PE, SE, Ceng MICE, LEED AP

Is Your Organization Normal? Leadership/Ethics

Therese Baer PE

Don Everett

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM Break

9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Breakout Sessions

Chemical Grouts: A Useful Tool for Civil Engineers

John M. Ziebell

Construction Site QC & Special Inspections in Texas

Bryan M. Sy PE

Russell Gibson PE

Volumetric As-Built Determination of Concrete Structures

Todd Allen

Winning Communication: Strategies to Connect and Convince

Alan Hoffer

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM Breakout Sessions

The Evolution & Use of Highly-Modified Asphalt Binders

Gary Fitts PE

Construction: Critical Thinking

Cliff Schexnayder PhD, PE

Deja Vu We've Been Here Before

Rebecca Cummins PE

Educating the Next Generation of Civil Engineers

John Schemmel PhD, PE, FACI

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM Break

11:45 AM – 1:30 PM **Business Meeting & Keynote**

Building a More Resilient Texas: Flood Mapping, Planning, and Mitigation

See pages 20-21 for session itinerary.

Jeff Walker

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1:30 PM – 1:45 PM Break

1:45 PM – 3:45 PM **Project Virtual Tour**

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Opening Keynote: *Future World Vision*

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ASCE Texas Section Update & CECON Committee Recognition

Susan K. Roth PE, PMP, M.ASCE
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>> Break <<

Keynote Introduction

Susan K. Roth PE, PMP, M.ASCE
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A 2020 View of Transportation and TxDOT

Marc D. Williams PE
Deputy Executive Director
Texas Department of Transportation

Keynote Q&A

ASCE TEXAS SECTION AWARDS CEREMONY

November 5, 2020 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Welcome

Presidential Remarks by Susan K. Roth PE, PMP, M.ASCE

ASCE Award Recipients

Recognition of Texas members honored in 2020

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Professional Service to Students Award

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History & Heritage Award

President's Special Recognition Award

John A. Focht Jr. Citizen Engineer Award

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Recognition of CECON Gala Planning Subcommittee

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Virtual Bingo

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BUSINESS MEETING

November 6, 2020 | 11:45 AM – 1:30 PM

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Lindsay O'Leary PE, CAE, LEED AP, M.ASCE
ASCE Texas Section Executive Director

Call to Order, Recognition of Life Members, & State of the Section Report

Susan K. Roth PE, PMP, M.ASCE
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Society Report & Installation of Texas Section Officers

K.N. Gunalan PhD, PE, D.GE, F.ASCE
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Keynote

Building a More Resilient Texas: Flood Mapping, Planning and Mitigation

Jeff Walker, Executive Administrator
Kathleen Jackson PE, Board Member
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Keynote Q&A

CECON 2020 Closing Remarks & Invitation to Technical Tour

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Texas employs 28,000 civil engineers (2.25 per thousand jobs.)*

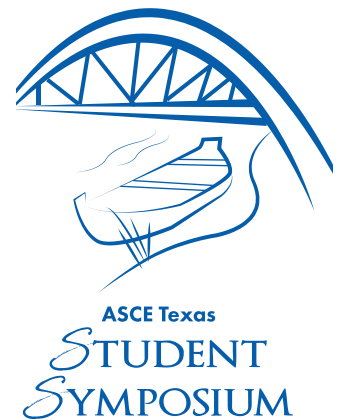
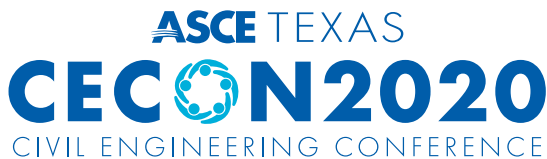
The Texas Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) represents nearly **10,000 members** Statewide. Headquartered in Austin, the Texas Section unites 15 Branches and Student Chapters each major Texas university. ASCE Texas Section belongs to ASCE's Region 6, which includes the Mexico Section. ASCE has 150,000 global members.

Civil engineers are constantly presented with the challenge of improving the nation's infrastructure. In order to fulfill our mission to protect the public health and safety**, civil engineers must be involved in the policy making process at all levels of government. We want to be your resource for infrastructure policy making!

ASCE TEXAS SECTION:

★ **PUBLISHES** an **Infrastructure Report Card** approximately every four years evaluating the State's infrastructure with grades A-F. The 2017 Update resulted in a GPA of C- for the state's infrastructure. Visit TexASCE.org/irc to learn more.

★ **HOSTS** the **Texas Civil Engineering Conference (CECON)** in partnership with the Texas Concrete Pipe Association, every Fall, in San Marcos. The Texas Section also hosts a **Student Symposium** and career fair every Spring, gathering the best and brightest civil engineering students from over 20 universities from Texas and Mexico for professional development and networking.



★ **HOSTS** discipline-specific institute chapters and technical groups. ASCE is the leading publisher of civil engineering information - producing more than 55,000 pages of technical and professional content each year.

★ **PROVIDES** a platform to fulfill our state's ever-growing STEM workforce needs through a variety of pre-college outreach events and programs. Our Branches work with local schools and venues such as science museums to engage students in fun engineering activities. We highly recommend **Dream Big**, a film now available on Netflix.



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*Source: U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2019. **ASCE code of Ethics, Fundamental Canon #1.

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE FAQs

What to Expect Virtually

Experience the speakers, build relationships, and visit with exhibitors - without the travel. We will virtually deliver all the content and entertainment right to your home offering new, innovative ways to participate and collaborate. Our exhibitors and sponsors also have great surprises in store for you. You will be able to interact with them and get their information as if one of their representatives was standing in front of you.

Virtual Special Events

Our Board of Direction and Younger Member Committee will host virtual receptions—so join the party. The can't-miss event this year is our **virtual bingo session** during the Thursday evening CECON Gala & ASCE Texas Section Awards Ceremony. These events are included in your registration.

What if I miss a keynote, panel, or breakout session?

Don't worry – we understand you might have to take a call from a client or step out for an important meeting that conflicts with our conference. CECON content will be available on-demand for six (6) months following the conference dates, for all registered attendees. All sessions will be released on or about November 9, 2020 except for the Legislative Panel with Texas State Senators and Representatives. The Legislative Panel will only be available live, on Thursday, November 5, 2020 starting at 4:00 PM Central.

What do I need to attend the virtual conference?

To attend the virtual conference, you need a good internet connection, your tablet or computer, and a valid registration. You can join the conference using your smart phone, but we think you will have a higher quality experience using a tablet or computer. You will receive login details through our conference platform – check your inbox for an email from “CECON 2020 <no-reply@pathable.com>”. Don't see it, please check your spam or junk folder. If you need help, call the ASCE Texas Section office at 512-472-8905 or contact support@gowithlive.com.

Accessing the Platform via Web Browser

Please note the conference platform does not work using Internet Explorer. We recommend using Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Mozilla Firefox.

How can I ask questions at the virtual conference?

Discussion groups will be created for each session once they begin. You will also be able to participate in conversations with all attendees. You can add to an existing conversation or start a new one. When using the conference platform, hover your cursor over “Conversations” in the main menu, then click on “Public Forums” or “Inbox.” Note, your inbox will contain any direct messages sent by other CECON attendees.

Most of our speakers will join the discussions as well as address the questions posted during live Q&A!

I need Professional Development Hours (PDHs) for my engineering license. When will I receive a certificate of attendance?

A certificate of attendance will be available after completing the conference survey. All attendees will receive the survey following the conference and you will then be able to download your certificate as well as notate which specific CECON 2020 sessions you virtually attended. The Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (TBPELS) does not pre-qualify courses or presentations for Professional Development Hours (PDHs). Please refer to the [TBPELS rules](#) to determine the adequacy of CECON programing and requirements for keeping your records.

How can I provide conference feedback, suggest speakers and topics for 2021, or join the committee?

We want to hear from you! All CECON attendees will receive a conference survey following the event. If you'd like to share additional feedback with a CECON Planning Committee Co-Chair, for items outside of our survey topics, you may do so by emailing txcecon@texasce.org.

Have an idea for next year's conference?

Please use our [Google Form](#). Any ideas collected in 2020 will be considered for future years.

We love fresh, new ideas and could always use a hand in planning, executing, and celebrating all our programs. If you'd like to join the CECON Planning Committee or learn more about other volunteer opportunities within ASCE Texas Section, please visit us at www.texasce.org/resources/volunteer/.

Who do I contact with other questions?

If you have any questions, please select an option [here](#).



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