

2025 ACEC-SC/SCDOT Annual Meeting

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

DRAFT AGENDA

8:30 AM - 9:20 AM	Welcome Julie Barker, PE, SCDOT and Raven Gambrell, PE, HDR ACEC-SC/SCDOT Partnering Committee Co-Chairs Morning Address FHWA Representative Justin Powell, SCDOT Secretary of Transportation		
9:20 AM - 10:10 AM	Morning Keynote The Role of AI in the Engineering Industry Joe Bates and Daphne Bryant, ACEC Research Institute		
10:10 AM - 10:30 AM	Networking Break with Exhibitors		
Moderators	Mitchel Cooper, PE, Kimley-Horn	Lindsey Keziah, PE, Davis & Floyd	Lauren Restivo, PE, Schnabel
10:30 AM - 11:20 AM	Hurricane Helene: Repairing I-40 through CMGC Approach Matthew Cook, PE, RK&K Greg Goins, PE, RK&K Mimi Sweitzer, PE, RK&K	SCDOT Bridge Maintenance Program Update Joe Winfield, PE, SCDOT Scott Betz, CBI, PE, KCA Sam Cullum, PE, KCA	Geotechnical Seismic Considerations: AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications (LRFDBDS-10) Abdul Fekrat, PhD, PE, Terracon
11:25 AM - 12:15 PM	Raising SC 22 above Waccamaw River Flood Conditions Maher Almassri, PE, CHA John Hunt, PE, Ayres Associates	Logistics of Design-Build Bridge Packages Michael Pitts, PE, SCDOT Phillip Hutcherson, PE, HDR	Strategic Highway Safety Plan Update (2025-2029) Gene Taylor, PE, SCDOT Emily Thomas, DPS Rick Reiff, PE, Kimley-Horn
12:20 PM - 1:55 PM	Lunch Keynote Engineering Possibility: A DRIVE for Innovation, Resilience & Leadership Richie Parker		
Moderators	Jordan Jolly, SCDOT	Franklin Fulmore, SCDOT	Mickey Queen, PE, SCDOT
2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	Expanding the I-77 Express Lanes Network Carly Swanson, NCDOT Brett Canipe, PE, NCDOT Bobby Lewis, HNTB	Disaster to Delivery: Accelerated Collaboration for Rapid Response Tyler Clark, PE, Assoc. DBIA, SCDOT Ethan Brown, PE, DBIA, Wright Brothers Construction Co	What's Next for NEPA? Inside the Latest FHWA, FTA, and FRA Revisions Chad Long, SCDOT Shane Belcher, Michael Baker International
2:55 PM - 3:45 PM	Delivering the Corridor: A Snapshot of Brent Spence Progressive Design-Build Craig Klusman, PE, SE, AECOM	Becoming Software Agnostic: Getting More Value out of Our Data Seth Lown, PE, SCDOT Andrew Poszich, PE, RS&H	Project Delivery Panel Discussion with SCDOT, Consultant, Contractor and CEI Jonathan Thrasher, PE, S&ME
3:45 PM - 4:00 PM	Networking Break with Exhibitors		
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	Afternoon Keynote SCDOT Program Update John Boylston, PE, SCDOT Chief Engineer for Project Delivery Rob Perry, PE, SCDOT Deputy Secretary for Engineering		
4:45 PM - 6:00 PM	Reception		