



# NATIONAL CENTER FOR WOMEN'S EQUITY IN APPRENTICESHIP AND EMPLOYMENT

## Women in the Infrastructure Workforce Initiative

### CONVENING

Wednesday Sept 21, 2022, 2- 5 pm

**Beacon Hotel**  
1615 Rhode Island Ave., NW, DC  
Beacon Room

#### Agenda

- 2:00-2:10     **Welcome**  
Lauren Sugerman, Director, CWIT's National Center for Women's Equity in Apprenticeship and Employment
- Solidarity Pledge**  
CWIT Board President Cristina Barillas
- Purpose of Convening and Overview of the Afternoon's Program**  
Lauren Sugerman, CWIT
- 2:10-2:20     **Greetings from Key Federal Partners**
- Wendy Chun-Hoon, Department of Labor Women's Bureau, Director
  - Asma Mirza, Deputy for Infrastructure Implementation Management, White House Infrastructure Implementation Team
- 2:20-2:25     **Video Greetings by President Eric Dean, Ironworkers**
- 2:25-3:10     **Meet the State/Local Teams:**
- Nontraditional Employment for Women, New York City, NY
  - Heartland Women in Trades, Kansas City Metropolitan Area, MO/ KA
  - Building Pathways, Boston, MA,
  - Women in Nontraditional Careers (WinC), Philadelphia PA
  - Texas Women in Trades, San Antonio, TX
  - West Virginia Women Work, Morgantown, WV
  - NOLA Women in Skilled Trades and Manufacturing Careers, New Orleans, LA
  - Vermont Works for Women, Winooski, VT
  - Tradeswomen Inc., Bay Area, CA
  - Central Ohio Women in Trades, Columbus, OH
  - Chicago Women in Trades, Chicago, IL

- 3:10-3:25      **Introduction of Federal Infrastructure Project Funding Agencies**
- Paige Shevlin, Department of Transportation Office of the Secretary
  - Nell Abernathy, Department of Commerce
  - Amy Peterson, Department of Energy
- 3:25-4:15      **Panel: How to Exceed Workforce Goals with Demand Strategies**
- Elizabeth Skidmore, Policy Group on Tradeswomen’s Issues and North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters, Boston
  - Maggie Drouineaud, UMass Building Authority, Boston
- 4:15-4:50      **Panel: Building a Coalition: Case Study of Philadelphia’s Women in Nontraditional Careers (WINC)**
- Gwen Gibson, SEPTA (Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority)
  - Sue Hoffman, Philadelphia Works
  - Lark Jackson, Associate Director, CWIT’s National Center for Women's Equity in Apprenticeship and Employment
- 4:50-5:00      **Wrap-up and Review**
- 5 pm            **Adjourn**
- 5:30 – 7:00    **Reception/Light Dinner**  
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