The Red River Delivers

Thanks to our local hosts:
Caddo-Bossier Port Commission, Red River Valley Association and Red River Waterway Commission

Wednesday, September 17

2:00pm – 6:00pm – Registration – Paradise Theater
2:00pm – 2:30pm – NWC Nominating Committee – Bird of Paradise (2nd Floor)
2:30pm – 3:00pm – NWC Membership Committee – Bird of Paradise (2nd Floor)
3:00pm – 4:00pm – NWC Legislative Policy Committee – Bird of Paradise (2nd Floor)
4:00pm – 5:00pm – NWC Legislative Executive Committee – Bird of Paradise (2nd Floor)

1:30pm – 3:30pm – IRPT Board of Directors Meeting – Location TBD

5:30pm – 7:30pm – Welcome Reception – Pool Bar & 2nd Floor Margaritaville
   Welcome Remarks: Mayor Lorenz “Lo” Walker, Bossier City;
   Mayor Cedric Glover, City of Shreveport.

Note: Attire for the program is business casual.

Thursday, September 18

7:00am – Buffet Breakfast - World Tour Buffet

8:30am – Opening Session – Paradise Theater
   Welcome – Jim Oliver, General Manager, Tarrant Regional Water District; Chairman, National Waterways Conference, Inc.

   Major General John W. Peabody, Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

   Mr. Steven L. Stockton, Director of Civil Works, USACE

   Mr. Mark Mazzanti, Director, Programs Integration, USACE

9:15am – Spouse Event – Meet at Main Lobby

10:00am -10:15am – Beverage Break
10:15am – 12:00pm – Session Two – Infrastructure Funding Options and Opportunities

Richard Ornitz, Founder and Principal, Infralinx Capital; Senior Counsel, McKenna, Long & Aldridge

Mike Steenhoeck, Executive Director, Soy Transportation Coalition

Tom O’Hara, Senior Program Manager, Water Market, CH2M Hill

12:00pm - 1:30pm – Lunch – Margaritaville Restaurant

1:30pm – 2:45pm – Session Three – WRRDA – Perspectives on Implementation

John Anderson, Staff Director, House Transportation and Infrastructure Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee

Rob Rash, Executive Vice President, Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association

Timothy D. Feather, Ph.D., Vice President, CDM Federal Programs, CDM Smith

2:45pm – 3:30pm - NWC General Membership Meeting

3:30pm – 5:00pm: The MV Fred Lee and the USACE Vicksburg District will be conducting inspections along the Red River. Attendees will have the opportunity to board the inspection barge to learn more about the Red River and meet Mississippi Valley Division Commander, Major General Michael Wehr, and Vicksburg District Commander, Col. John Cross. (Flat-soled, close-toed shoes required)

6:00pm – Buses depart from the front of the Margaritaville Hotel for transport to Caddo-Bossier Port for evening event

Until 10:00 pm – Dinner and evening entertainment

Dinner Welcome: Eric England, Executive Port Director, and Captain Thomas F. Murphy, Board of Commissioners, The Port of Caddo-Bossier

Band: Chucky C and Clearly Blue

First buses will depart at 9:00pm, estimating last bus between 10:00pm and 10:30pm.

Friday, September 19

7:30am - NWC Board of Directors – Bird of Paradise (2nd Floor)

7:30am – Buffet Breakfast - World Tour Buffet
9:00am – 12:00pm  Session Five – Paradise Theater

   Introduction of new Officers and Directors

   Closing Session

   The Honorable Mary Landrieu, United States Senator (D-LA) (video remarks)

   The Honorable David Vitter, United States Senator (R-LA) – (video remarks)

   The Honorable Sherri Smith Buffington, Member, Louisiana State Senate (District 38)

   Don Parrish, Senior Director, Regulatory Relations, American Farm Bureau Federation

   Chance McNeely, Policy Advisor, Office of Governor Jindal

   Gary D. Joiner, Ph.D., Professor of History, Chair, Department of History and Social Sciences, Louisiana State University Shreveport

12:00pm – Adjourn

Optional Golf Tournament - *pre-registration is required