



Illinois Association of Regional Councils

December 5-6, 2018

DoubleTree by Hilton • 10 Brickyard Drive • Bloomington, IL 61701

Wednesday, December 5

1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

U.S. Department of Commerce

Economic Development Administration

Jeannette Tamayo, Regional Director

15-minute refreshment break

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

HR FORUM

Instructor:

Donna Rogers, MED, SPHR, SHRM-SCP
Human Resources Consultant

This HR Forum will provide timely updates that your regional planning agency needs to know regarding HR and the employment laws. The HR Forum is structured for networking with peers in an interactive and engaging format.

Thursday, December 6

General Business Meeting

We are gearing up for two great days in Bloomington.

In addition to enjoying the local sites, the annual meeting will provide you an opportunity to network with peers from across the state and learn about programs and opportunities to enhance your offices. You will also participate in policy discussions with government officials and professionals on matters that affect regional planning agencies.



Cary Minnis
President

TIME SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

AGENDA

Continental Breakfast

Welcome and Introductions / Election of Officers
Government Agency and Associate Member Reports

WELCOME PRESENTATION

McLean County Regional Planning Commission

Vasudha Gadhiraaju, AICP, Executive Director

Jennifer Sicks, AICP, Transportation Planner

Join us Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. for a casual dinner on site at TGI Fridays! Registration fee does apply.

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

City of Springfield Sewer Garage Stormwater Capture and Reuse

Lee Bloome, Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Engineer, Hanson Professional Services Inc.

The City of Springfield enlisted Hanson for its sewer garage stormwater capture and reuse project, which entailed designing and constructing a system to filter stormwater to reduce runoff and improve stormwater quality. Hanson also designed a water reuse system as part of the stormwater collection framework, which included using a hydrodynamic separator to clean out the larger debris and oils, running the water through a filter and storing it in tanks for the city's use. The project's preliminary design package included the Illinois Green Infrastructure Grant Program's best management practices application. The project received a Top Storm Water & Erosion Control Projects award from Storm Water Solutions magazine.



Opportunity Zones

Economic development for distressed communities

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Ben Young, Managing Director, Georgetown Public Affairs

An Opportunity Zone is an economically-distressed community where new investments, under certain conditions, may be eligible for preferential tax treatment. Localities qualify as Opportunity Zones if they have been nominated for that designation by the state and that nomination has been certified by the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury via his delegation of authority to the Internal Revenue Service. Opportunity Zones were added to the tax code by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on December 22, 2017. Opportunity Zones have now been designated in all 50 states

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Connecting Communities with Resources

Karen Davis, Executive Director, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Peoria Chapter

LISC is a national organization with a grassroots focus. LISC has offices in 31 cities and works in hundreds of rural communities across the country. Our collective goal is to create socially and economically vibrant and sustainable neighborhoods, with living wage jobs, local businesses, good schools, quality housing, reliable transportation and needed amenities.

Lunch

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

NADO Federal Policy and Resources Report

Mirielle Burgoyne, Director of Government Relations

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) provides advocacy, education, research, and training for the nation's regional development organizations. The association and its members promote regional strategies, partnerships, and solutions to strengthen the economic competitiveness and quality of life across America's local communities.



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