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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**  
**April 16, 17, 18, 2019**  
**Moody Gardens Hotel**  
**7 Hope Blvd.**  
**Galveston, Texas 77554**



### **Conference Registration**

Pre-registration is recommended and will help us in planning and preparing a better conference. If you pre-register, your name tag and program packet will be ready when you arrive at the hotel. The fee is \$200 through March 5, 2019. **A \$75 late fee will be added to registrations received after March 5, 2019.** You are encouraged to register online. If paying by check or money order, register online, make check payable to TTI-AVTN2019, and mail to:

Texas A&M Transportation Institute  
Event Management and Planning  
3135 TAMU  
College Station, TX 77843-3135

Only cancellations received in writing by Event Management and Planning (EM&P) by 5:00 p.m. CST on March 8, 2019 will be refunded, less a \$50 handling fee. No refunds will be issued after this date. **The last day to register online is April 5, 2019.** You may pay your registration fee by check, money order, or credit card. No Purchase Orders. The registration fee covers conference handouts, break refreshments, Tuesday's get acquainted reception, and all meals during the conference including the Wednesday Awards Banquet and Evening Social.

### **Hotel Reservations**

The Moody Gardens Hotel has a block of rooms available at a group rate of \$157. Please note to receive the state/federal per diem rate of \$99, please call (888) 388-8484 ask reservations for the "37<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Aviation Conference." Your state/federal identification is needed when checking in. Make reservation by 5:00 p.m. on March 24, 2019 to receive the discounted rates. After this date, rooms may be available at a higher rate. Moody Gardens has both complimentary self-parking and valet parking for \$20. Please visit their website for additional information.  
<https://www.moodygardenshotel.com/>

### **Special Activities**

On Tuesday, our 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament will be held at the Moody Gardens Golf Course. There will be a shotgun start at 11:00 a.m. **All golfers must be registered to attend the conference.** A get acquainted reception is planned for Tuesday evening from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Plan to join us on Wednesday evening for the Awards Banquet and Evening Social. All registered participants are encouraged to attend. Guest tickets are also available for \$50. Tickets can also be purchased online when you register for the conference.

### **Special Needs**

In compliance with ADA requirements, participants with special needs can be reasonably accommodated by contacting EM&P at 979-862-1219 or toll free at 888-550-5577, at least 5 working days prior to the conference.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Aviation Division at 1-800-68-PILOT.

# Tentative Conference Program

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## **TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019**

- 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.    **Special Events**
- 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.    **Exhibitor Setup**
- 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.    **Registration/Check-In**
- 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.    **Exhibits Open**
- 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.    **Get Acquainted Reception – Exhibit Hall**

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2019**

- 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.    **Registration Desk Open**
- 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.    **Breakfast in Exhibit Hall**
- 8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.    **Opening Session**
- Presentation of Colors**
- National Anthem**
- Welcoming Comments**  
*Dave Fulton, Director, TxDOT-Aviation Division*  
*Brian Maxwell, City Manager, City of Galveston*
- State of the Aviation Division Address**  
*Dave Fulton, Director, TxDOT-Aviation Division*
- 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.    **Aviation Advisory Committee Panel**  
*Jim Schwertner, Chairman, Austin*  
*Pete Huff, Vice Chairman, McKinney*  
*Shelly Lesikar deZevallos, Houston*  
*John White, Corpus Christi*  
*Michael Schnell, Spearman*  
*Fred Underwood, Lubbock*
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.    **Urban Air Mobility and the Future of eVTOLs**
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.    **Break in Exhibit Hall**
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.    **Keynote Address**
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.    **Luncheon**

- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Texas Airports Council Meeting**
- Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
  - Election of 2019 Officers
  - TAC Goals for 2019
  - General Discussion

### ***Afternoon Breakout Sessions***

- 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. I: Airport Manager’s Roundtable**

**II: Promoting Your Airport in Your Community and Beyond**

**III: Addressing Environmental Issues at Your Airport**

- 3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Break in Exhibit Hall**

- 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. I: Airport Planning Studies: Which One is Best for My Airport?**

**II: Airport Weather Forecasts**

**III: Pavement Maintenance and Drainage Issues at Your Airport**

- 4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Break in Exhibit Hall**

- 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. RAMP Session**

*Amy Slaughter, RAMP Grant Program Manager, TxDOT-Aviation Division*

- 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. DBE Training for Consultants (Required for Consultants Contracting with TxDOT)**

- 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Annual Banquet**

#### **Awards Program**

- *Aviation Art Contest Winners*
- *General Aviation Airport Manager of the Year*
- *Most Improved Airport*
- *General Aviation Airport of the Year*
- *Reliever Airport or Reliever Airport Manager of the Year*
- *RAMP Coordinator of the Year*

- 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Evening Social**

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019**

**8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Exhibits and Registration Desk Open**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet**

**9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. General Aviation Industry Outlook and Washington Update**

*John Shea, Interim President and CEO, NASAO*

*Jens Hennig, Vice President-Operations, General Aviation Manufacturers Association*

**10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Aviation Division Section Director's Forum**

*Kari Campbell, Director, Grant Management*

*Greg Miller, Director, Planning and Programming*

*Eusebio Torres, Director, Project Management*

**10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. TxDOT/FAA AIP Program and Listening Session**

*Dave Fulton, Director, TxDOT-Aviation Division*

*Terry Biggio, Regional Administrator, FAA Southwest Region*

*Ben Guttery, Manager, Texas Airports Development Office, FAA Southwest Region*