

# Chair & Co-Chair Report on Sustainability

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## Chair & Co-Chair Message

Hello everyone! We are well into the holiday season, and we hope you all have your shopping done (or at least ordered by now). 😊

The Sustainability Working Group has had an AWESOME year – everything from pertinent discussions and restart of the newsletter, purposeful webinars on Sustainability Certifications and GSE, and spearheading cross-working group collaborations during joint ACI-NA sessions at Reno. We want to acknowledge all the hard work done by all who have participated! And we want to thank all of you who have listened in, asked questions, and offered ideas. We wouldn't be successful without you.

This newsletter is packed with updates and information along with details from some of our 2021 accomplishments. We provide tips and tricks for Young Professionals to engage with the ACI-NA working groups, catch up with the ACRP team's sustainability related projects, and learn more about FAA's pilot programs, among other things.

We have even more planned for 2022. And to that end, if you have ideas or suggestions for the 2022 work plan, please be sure to let us know before the new year. You can find the 2021 work plan [here](#).

We truly wish you all the best as 2021 winds down and 2022 begins. May health, family, fun and friends surround you every day in the new year. And as for those presents, we think the homemade ones are best.

Happy holidays to all!

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## What's Happening at Headquarters?

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### Airport Sustainability Planning Program

Authorized under 49 U.S.C. 47102(5), Sustainability Master Plans and Airport Sustainability Plans use baseline assessments of environmental resources and community outreach to identify sustainability objectives that will reduce environmental impacts, realize economic benefits, and improve community relations. These have been leveraged for a wide array of planning activities from waste reduction, energy efficiency, and resilience to extreme weather impacts. FAA has issued over \$20 million in Airport Improvement Program grants to 48 airports for comprehensive airport sustainability plans.

FAA's Office of Airports (ARP) has initiated a research and development project through the Volpe Center to develop a resilience framework to address climate and extreme weather impacts to vulnerable NPIAS airports. This project may include case studies on infrastructure and operational disruptions.

ARP is also exploring whether its Sustainability grants program should be augmented to emphasize infrastructure resiliency (e.g., extreme weather), including impacts to energy, drainage, and pavement systems, in addition to traditional sustainability topics, such as renewable energy and water quality.

### Voluntary Airport Low Emission (VALE) and Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Program Update

The VALE and ZEV programs had a banner year in 2021 for issuing grants. The FAA issued the most grants for the combined VALE/ZEV program than had been issued in any prior year (20 grants total—12 VALE and 8 ZEV). In addition, the total value of the grants exceeded any prior year for the Environmental Set-Aside program (\$46.1 million). For the second year in a row in 2021, FAA contributed the matching share for the sponsor (an additional \$12.1 million through supplemental funding) for a total of \$58.2 million invested in VALE and ZEV projects. The emission reduction programs also had a number of firsts: the ZEV program had its first grant for a Florida airport—Tampa International Airport—and its first grant for a general aviation airport—Springfield Beckley Municipal Airport.

Presently, it is not expected that FAA will continue to fund 100 percent of project costs in 2022; however, with Congress' attention on emission reductions, the potential exists for these programs to change in the future.

While no new changes to the programs have occurred, people continually ask if the VALE and ZEV programs will continue in the future and how much money will be allotted to the programs. The VALE and ZEV programs will continue; there are no plans to sunset these programs. The programs are funded each year out of the Environmental Set-Aside, which also funds the Noise Program. Funding for the Environmental Set-Aside is based on calculations that are provided in statute and can fluctuate year-over-year based on a number of variables.



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#### For more information:

[Visit the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Sustainability website](#)



The best advice that FAA can offer airport sponsors is to submit your applications for consideration by the imposed deadlines. Only those who have submitted on time will be considered. Airports are not limited in size or number of projects. However, priority consideration is given to applicants that will achieve the greatest air quality benefits measured by the amount of emissions reduced per dollar of funds expended under the program.

### **Environmental Mitigation Pilot Program, Section 190**

In response to Section 190 of the Reauthorization Act of 2018, the FAA provided the Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Environmental Mitigation Pilot Program, 86 Federal Register 25060, on May 10, 2021. The notice explained that FAA was accepting pre-applications from eligible airports and consortia for the Environmental Mitigation Pilot Program to fund up to six projects that will measurably reduce or mitigate aviation impacts on noise, air quality, or water quality at an airport or within five miles of the airport.

Submittals were due July 9, 2021. FAA is currently reviewing all applications received. It is anticipated that grants will be awarded out of the Environmental Set-Aside of the Airport Improvement Program in FY22.

### **Deployment of Zero Emissions Technology Program, Section 192**

Section 192 of the Reauthorization Act of 2018 also contained a provision that would facilitate the deployment of commercially viable zero-emission airport vehicles, technology, and related infrastructure; and minimize the risk of deploying such vehicles, technology, and infrastructure.

The FAA anticipates issuing a request for proposals this year to implement this program. The program allows for the selection of up to three geographically diverse eligible organizations to conduct zero-emission airport technology and infrastructure projects. For more information, please see the language under Section 192 at [PUBL254.PS \(house.gov\)](https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/arp/offices/app/app400/).

Check the staffing lists provided on FAA's Airport Planning and Airport Environmental Branch webpages for new hires at FAA HQ.



Learn more here: [https://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/arp/offices/app/app400/](https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/arp/offices/app/app400/)

# TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD

## Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) Project Updates

Contributed by Joe Navarrete, ACRP, Transportation Research Board

### ACRP Launches Project Teaming Opportunities Campaign

The Transportation Research Board recognizes that an inclusive and diverse environment enhances innovation and creativity in all areas. Research contractors are likely to be most successful and produce results relevant to all users when they bring diverse perspectives and experiences to their teams and research plans. To help potential proposers develop teams that provide the expertise and diversity needed to conduct ACRP research, we've launched the ACRP Project Teaming Opportunities Campaign. [Log into IdeaHub](#) and select "ACRP Project Teaming Opportunities" to see our new projects. If you can provide a needed expertise or diversity, or if you are looking for a particular expertise or diversity, click on the project and leave a comment and provide contact information.



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### FY 2022 Requests for Proposals to Conduct ACRP Research to Be Posted Starting in November

ACRP's FY 2022 research projects were selected by the program's Oversight Committee in late July, and many are related to sustainability.

ACRP PROJECT	TITLE
01-52	Championing the Airport System—Challenging the Paradigm
02-91	Updates to ACRP Airport Environmental Reports 11, 43, 147, and 160
02-98	ACRP Project 02-98, Airport Energy Resiliency
02-99	Use of Equity and Environmental Justice Data to Support Airport Decision Making
02-100	Pathways to Airport Net Zero Carbon Emissions
02-101	Airport Employee Onboarding Environmental Guidebook
03-68	Integrated Contingency Planning for Small and Non-Hub Airports

Be on the lookout for RFPs to be posted in November and December 2021. To receive notification of RFP postings, new publications, and opportunities to engage with ACRP, be sure to subscribe to our Listserv by sending an email to: [LISTSERV@LSW.NAS.EDU](mailto:LISTSERV@LSW.NAS.EDU) and type: SUBSCRIBE ACRP\_ANNOUNCE in the body of the email.

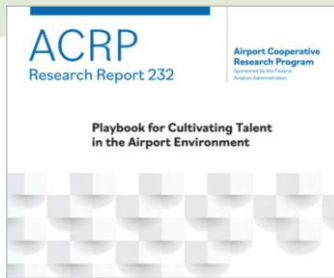
### Sustainability-Related Projects Underway

Sustainability-related topics continue to be researched through ACRP. Current projects are listed below.

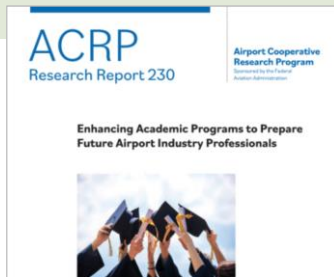
ACRP PROJECT	TITLE
ACRP Synthesis 11-03/Topic S10-17	Agricultural Operations on Airport Grounds
ACRP Synthesis 11-03/Topic S10-18	Improving Native and Honey Bee Foraging on Airports
02-89	A Primer and Framework for Considering an Airport Noise and Operations Monitoring System (NOMS)
02-90	Development of Airport Construction Emission Inventory Tool (ACEIT), Version 2.0
02-91	Development of PFAS Source Differentiation Guidelines for Airports
02-92	General Aviation Airports and Resilience Complete Toolkits for Self-Directed Planning
02-93	Guidebook for PFAS Management at Airports
02-95	Update ACRP Report 135: Understanding Airport Air Quality and Public Health Studies Related to Airports
03-51	Electric Aircraft on the Horizon—An Airport Planning Perspective
03-59	Airports and the Homeless
04-24	Airport Contributions to the Study, Investigation, and Interdiction of Human Trafficking
04-25	Airports and Pandemics—Reducing the Spread of Communicable Diseases

# TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD *(continued)*

## Recently Published Sustainability-Related ACRP Products



*ACRP Research Report 232: Playbook for Cultivating Talent in the Airport Environment* provides inspiring, proven, and readily implementable techniques for airport leaders and managers to use to enhance talent cultivation and knowledge transfer within airport organizations.



*ACRP Research Report 230: Enhancing Academic Programs to Prepare Future Airport Industry Professionals* provides guidance to assist academia in preparing graduates for careers as airport industry professionals.



*ACRP Research Report 228: Airport Microgrid Implementation Toolkit* addresses site-specific criteria for airports of all types and sizes. The implementation toolkit is a suite of reference materials, including an online tool that can be used to obtain an analysis and determine feasibility of a microgrid for your airport.

## Don't miss the upcoming, in-person TRB Annual Meeting January 9-13 in Washington, DC!

The matrix of events most relevant to aviation is available here: [TRB2022AviationMatrix](#) (subject to minor changes).

The full schedule can be found on the TRB website: [TRB2022AM](#).

In addition to the Environmental Issues in Aviation Committee and associated Sub-Committee Meetings, be sure to catch the **“Aviation GHG Emissions and 2050 Goals”** session featuring airports, the USDOT Secretary’s Office, and the private sector. Stick around to hear **Transportation Secretary Buttigieg** speak on Wednesday at the Chair’s Plenary Session.

Register at: [Registration | Annual Meeting \(trb.org\)](#)



Learn more here:  
<https://www.trb.org/Publications/PubsACRP/Publications.aspx>

# ACI-NA ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2021: RENO

## ACI-NA Environmental Affairs Committee Workshop



Contributed by Lisa Reznar, ENV SP, Ricondo & Associates, Inc.

In November, the ACI-NA Environmental Affairs Committee convened its first in-person workshop since the start of pandemic at the ACI-NA Annual Conference in Reno. The two-day workshop comprised discussions of attendee-selected topics—PFAS and ESG reporting, summarized below—and a series of joint OPSID-Environmental Affairs presentations on the topics of Section 163, digital twins, and resiliency.

The **PFAS** discussion recognized challenges with firefighting foam use, including lack of certified alternatives and potential equipment needs to support the transition to a future foam alternative, once approved. A GRR case study highlighted the challenges of PFAS investigations. Various ACI-NA committees are involved in addressing airport PFAS challenges. Technical conversations are held in conjunction with the Water Quality Working group calls. If you would like to be part of those calls or to learn about the resources that ACI-NA has prepared, please get in touch with Melinda Pagliarello.

*Thank you to PFAS discussion leads:* **Mat Knutson**, Terracon; **Jeff Longworth**, Barnes & Thornburg; and **Casey Ries**, Gerald R. Ford International Airport Authority

**ESG Reporting** is becoming an increasingly important consideration by financial investors evaluating airport bonds. While ESG reporting draws from data often included in airport sustainability plans, it is targeted to an investor audience and includes issues identified as material to the airport's financial performance by investors. A cross-functional ESG Task Group (comprising airport sustainability professionals, Finance Committee members, and others) is working to improve understanding and to influence future ESG requests of airports. To join the ESG Task Group, please reach out to Melinda Pagliarello.

*Thank you to ESG discussion leads:* **Katherine Preston**, HMMH; **Mary Ellen Eagan**, HMMH; and **Carly Shannon**, Linx Strategies

### Congratulations to the ACI-NA 2021 Environmental Achievement Award Winners!

ACI-NA was pleased to present the 2021 Environmental Awards at the Annual Conference and will be hosting a project showcase in the near future to celebrate these recipients.



Lisa Reznar, Ricondo & Associates, Inc.

#### Environmental Management

San Francisco International Airport, for its *Zero Waste Concessions Program – Plastic Bottle Ban Project*

#### Outreach and Communication

San Diego International Airport, for its *Flight Procedures Study*

#### Innovation

Pittsburgh International Airport, for its *PIT Microgrid Project*

#### Mitigation

Indianapolis International Airport, for its *Tackling Embodied Carbon in Airport Improvements Project*

#### Environmental Improvement with Limited Resources

Greater Moncton Roméo LeBlanc International Airport, for its *Eliminating Bottlenecks and Enabling Growth at YQM Project*



#### For more information:

Descriptions of the programs winning Environmental Achievement Awards are available at [airportscouncil.org](https://airportscouncil.org)

2021 ACI-NA Annual Conference presentations are also available at [airports.council.org](https://airports.council.org) (ACI-NA login credentials required)

# ACI-NA SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP

## Sustainability Rating Systems: Breathing New Life into Airport Projects

Contributed by Carly Shannon, LEED AP BD+C, ENV SP, TRUE Advisor, Linx Strategies LLC

In August, the ACI-NA Sustainability Working Group convened four sustainability rating system representatives to discuss best practices and their value to airport projects. A huge thanks to the SWG leadership, Melinda Pagliarello, and Rikki Vella for their help with this great event! Below are a few takeaways, with additional details available [here](#).

**Potential for Financial Returns** – These rating systems may yield a range of financial returns, if applied correctly. **User Tip:** *Early, often, and with others, i.e., don't wait until the end of the project to consider a sustainability rating system, and engage stakeholders from the start and throughout the project.* Possible financial benefits include but are not limited to:

- Construction cost and operational savings
- Greater productivity, attendance, and retention of employees
- Differentiating projects for grants that emphasize resilience and sustainability

**Better Project Management** – As noted by ISI's Anthony Kane, "[Envision is] really about the process and good project management. Making sustainability an achievement and commitment from the beginning ensures this is a long-term goal from the start and embeds sustainability for the future." Integrating sustainability on day 1 can even expedite the design process since project teams are encouraged to ask the important questions early, thus limiting missteps or rework down the line.

**Alignment with and Other Commitments** – These rating systems should not be viewed as additional burdens; instead, they can help contribute to existing goals and commitments such as:

- **UN SDGs** – Many of the rating systems have resources available that show their alignment to the UN SDGs. **User Tip:** *Mapping how your projects contribute to the UN SDGs can help meet the growing requests for ESG information.*
- **Airport Carbon Accreditation (ACA) Program** – Applying these rating systems on projects may help reduce operational carbon emissions and thus contribute to your goals. In addition, Level 4 of ACA requires the calculation of construction-related emissions, a focus of sustainability rating systems.
- Airport-specific goals and targets – **User Tip:** *Use your goals to prioritize credits within the rating systems when coordinating with design teams so they understand what is most important to you.*

Airports can leverage the resources available with these rating systems, including free guidance and tools, third-party certification/verification, and individual coaches for projects going through certification. For more information, please contact: Carly Shannon at [carly@linxstrat.com](mailto:carly@linxstrat.com).



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There are numerous rating and reporting systems out there. We focused on four that can be used for development and improvement projects at airports.



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**Primary Focus:** Human health & well-being  
**Developed by:** International WELL Building Institute (IWBI), administered by GBCI  
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**Primary Focus:** Infrastructure  
**Administered by:** the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI)  
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**Primary Focus:** Parking structures  
**Developed by:** Green Parking Council, acquired and administered by GBCI  
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## eGSE WEBINAR

# Electric Ground Support Equipment (eGSE) Webinar Recap



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On October 12, the Air Quality and Sustainability Working Groups combined to present a webinar focusing on airports transitioning to electric ground support equipment (eGSE). The informal format allowed for airports and consultants to provide insights, lessons learned, and how to plan for converting petroleum-based GSE to electric. The benefits of eGSE is not only a reduction in greenhouse gases, criteria pollutants, and hazardous air pollutants, but is often a financial benefit with reduced fuel costs (although electricity costs will increase), lower maintenance costs, and potential funding incentives. Depending on the location of your airport, FAA and State agencies may offer grants, such as VALE or Volkswagen settlement funds, for charging infrastructure or clean fuel credits.



No emission reduction or sustainability project comes without potential issues in the planning, design and implementation phases. Some considerations include:

- **Who (airport or airlines) will own and maintain the charging equipment?** Airlines typically own and maintain the eGSE, but an airport may wish to own the charging infrastructure for standardization and to provide flexibility to accommodate airport operational changes.

- **What is the best way to integrate chargers into areas with space constraints while still providing accessibility to airlines and FBOs?** Several options include the centralized corral model or placement of chargers at each gate.
- **What is the appropriate eGSE to charger ratio for your airport?** Each airline may have its own policies when it is most appropriate to charge eGSE, which could affect the desired eGSE to charger ratio.
- **How will operating charging data be metered to access needed information for grant compliance, clean fuel credits, or assess appropriate electricity usage?** The various charger manufacturers have their own Battery Monitor and Identifier (BMID) system, which have different formats and reporting capabilities.



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As with any major airport construction, planning will be key in designing a charging infrastructure best suited for your airport. Begin the process by coordinating with the airlines and appropriate airport personnel to determine current operating GSE, evaluate the capacity of existing electrical infrastructure, as well as identify needed upgrades and associated costs.

Based on the discussion and feedback, this webinar will be the first of several on transitioning to eGSE. It is expected that a second follow-up webinar will be planned for 2022.



Learn more at [airportsCouncil.org](https://airportsCouncil.org)  
(ACI-NA login credentials required)



## YOUNG PROFESSIONAL SPOTLIGHT



# Meet Your Airport Young Professional (YP)

## Maggie Pryatel, Manager of Environmental Compliance Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG)

Contributed by Carly Shannon, Linx Strategies LLC

Welcome to the inaugural YP Spotlight! In 2019, ACI-NA launched a YP program to officially welcome the younger generation that will lead the industry into the future. Recognizing the connection to sustainability, each edition of this Newsletter will feature up-and-coming YPs. For the first iteration, I chatted with the Environmental Affairs Committee's Airport YP, Maggie Pryatel of CVG. Although my words could never capture her energy and enthusiasm, I hope you'll enjoy the highlights below!



### Meet Maggie

Like many of us, Maggie "fell" into aviation but quickly *fell in love* with aviation. With degrees in environmental science and ecology, the type of work captured her attention, not the airport itself. She was initially brought on to manage environmental compliance. Her role has since expanded to project management, environmental and sustainability planning, environmental governance, and more. *Sound familiar to anyone??* Another theme that may resonate is **what keeps her at the Airport – the seemingly endless opportunities that exist**. I'm going to avoid the "small city" cliché at all costs, but you know where I'm going with this...

### Why ACI-NA

As a one-woman shop, Maggie **benefits greatly from the ACI-NA network, resources, and information-sharing**. During her early days, she took a more passive role as many of us do when entering a new group, listening in to calls and soaking up everything she could. Fortunately, she was given the chance to attend Airports@Work where she met this wonderful group of people face-to-face. While Maggie is very outgoing, she still appreciates the many folks who welcomed her with open arms (shoutout to Morgan Turner!). Following the event, she began speaking up more and more during the calls and offering her own insights on topics within her wheelhouse. Before she knew it, she had the official YP role with the Committee!



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### Tips for YPs and Sustainability Professionals Alike

Having witnessed Maggie's career growth over the last three years, I asked what was most impactful to her speedy trajectory. After a few humble retorts, she shared a message that we can all benefit from: **building relationships!** Maggie may be blessed by a natural ability to connect with people, but she also takes the time to listen to and understand the concerns of her colleagues. This helps her identify issues and develop solutions that make sense for the organization. It also means she has a team of many (despite being a team of one) when environmental issues do arise so these can be addressed quickly and effectively.

Here are a few additional words of wisdom that may benefit other YPs:

**Be proactive about your own professional development.** Identify what training you want, discuss this with your supervisor, and make it happen however possible. Maggie specifically took advantage of ACI's online learning program including their environmental management and project management training.

**Speak up!** While your first call may feel intimidating, this group is anything but. Ask questions and share your own experiences so we can all keep learning from each other. As an added bonus, active engagement often leads to additional responsibilities within ACI-NA.

Maggie was fortunate that CVG values ACI-NA and brings younger staff into its fold early. This not just benefited Maggie, but also benefits the organization as she relays new ideas and opportunities arising from her ACI network. In this vein, we'd like to encourage all "seasoned professionals" to **seek out your younger counterparts and get them involved.** Find out more at the link below. And remember that ACI-NA membership applies to your entire organization – so make use of it!



More information:  
[Young Professional Committee Participation - Airports Council International - North America](#)



# AIRPORTS GOING GREEN 2021

## Annual Conference



Contributed by Aaron Frame, Chicago Department of Aviation, Deputy Commissioner of Planning, Noise, and Environment

The 14th annual Airports Going Green conference was held virtually in November, for the second year in a row. Founded by the City of Chicago's Department of Aviation in 2008, Airports Going Green remains an important forum on airport sustainability. This year's agenda focused on many of the industry's leading sustainability topics of interest.



### 2021 AGG Discussion Topics

- Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Reporting and Green Financing
- Decarbonization
- Electrification

Top airport sustainability leaders and private sector expertise shared their collective knowledge and experiences and provided a vision for a sustainable future. Attendees learned about current and emerging airport initiatives, innovative financing of sustainability projects, and cutting-edge innovations and technology.

Highlights included a welcome address by Chicago's Department of Aviation Commissioner Jamie Rhee, comments from City of Chicago's Chief Sustainability Officer Angela Tovar, and Chicago's Comptroller Reshma Soni, who led a panel on green financing. Speakers represented a wide-range of airports—Dallas-Fort Worth, San Francisco, Seattle, San Diego, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Salt Lake City, Denver, and Vancouver—supplemented with expertise from representatives of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, United Airlines, FedEx, and RMI to name a few.

Each year, AGG recognizes the industry's sustainability achievements. AGG awards were established with the belief that industry recognition is a key element in fostering sustainability achievements and innovations.

## Congratulations to this year's Airports Going Green award winners!

### Outstanding Sustainability Program

San Francisco International Airport, *Research, Stakeholder Engagement, and Active Deliveries of Sustainable Aviation Fuel*

### Development

San Francisco International Airport, *SFO AirTrain Project*

Allegheny County Airport Authority, *PIT Microgrid at Pittsburgh International Airport*

Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, *Integrated Operations Center*

### Outstanding Tenant, Concession, or Vendor Program

US Supply House, *Cracking the Plastic Code*

### Honorable Mentions

#### *Outstanding Individual Leadership*

Dan Mann, Executive Director, Louisville Regional Airport Authority

#### *Outstanding Sustainability Program*

Philadelphia International Airport

In addition, **Robert Horton**, Vice President of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability, Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, received this year's **James M. Crites Pioneer in Aviation Sustainability Award**. The Pioneer in Aviation Sustainability Award recognizes the leaders among us, the visionaries who created airport sustainability as we know it today.

Interested in sharing and enhancing your airport's sustainability goals? **Plan to attend AGG in 2022 in Chicago!**



More information on AGG, 2021 speakers, and award winners at: [www.airportsgoinggreen.org](http://www.airportsgoinggreen.org)



# See You in 2022!

## Upcoming ACI-NA Events

### Airports@Work

April 25–28, 2022

Lowes Kansas City Hotel • Kansas City, MO

### Business of Airports

June 6–8, 2022

JW Marriott Desert Ridge • Phoenix, AZ

### Annual Conference & Exhibition

September 17–20, 2022

Minneapolis, MN

## Highlights from the 2021 ACI-NA Annual Conference



Roy Fuhrmann, Naomi Pesky, and Bridget Rief (Metropolitan Airports Commission) and Kevin Burke (ACI-NA President and CEO)



Chad Willis (Allegheny County Airport Authority) and Kevin Burke (ACI-NA President and CEO)

## Thank you to our SWG Newsletter team and contributors!

The Sustainability Working Group newsletter is a 100 percent volunteer effort, thanks to stories provided by you. We are excitedly entering our second decade of this newsletter with publication of the 20th edition! Consistent with the first issue in June 2011, the newsletter serves as a forum to share our stories in our own words, to inspire and learn from one another and foster creativity, and to connect us as indispensable resources to one another!

True to the complex and multi-faceted nature of airports, airport sustainability covers a wide range of topics and involves many stakeholders. Airports continue to embrace sustainability, are champions for change, and serve as leaders and examples for other industries.

The SWG newsletter reaches a wide audience via Centerlines Today and is sent directly to the Environmental Affairs, Operations & Technical Affairs, Small Airport, Finance, Commercial Management, Human Resources, and Business Diversity Committees, as well as the ACI World Environmental Committee. The newsletter is also posted on the Environmental Affairs Committee website and the “news” tab on the ACI-NA website.

Many thanks to all those who contributed content to this newsletter and to Lisa Reznar and Brian Notz of Ricondo for their efforts in preparing this newsletter.

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