



Construction Summit Schedule

February 19-20, 2025 | St. Paul RiverCentre

WEDNESDAY, February 19

6:30 AM
7:30 AM

Registration/Breakfast with Exhibitors

7:30 AM
9:00 AM

Keynote Address: "Building Tomorrow: The Future of Construction Leadership"
Jason Kunz

9:15 AM
10:15 AM

Federal Regulatory Policy Update
Ballroom C/D | Jeff Shoaf

Construction Safety Laws*
Room 4 | Dean Thomson, Mark Becker

Are You Covered When it Comes to Equipment Operation?
Room 5 | Jay Tyrrell

Technology Adoption Made Simple: Lessons for Construction Firms at all Stages
Room 6 | Peyton Kringle, Tyler Myrom, Aalah Traub

10:15 AM
11:00 AM

Break with Exhibitors

11:00 AM
12:00 PM

Beyond Buzzwords: Government-Related Efforts to Curb Carbon in Construction

Ballroom C/D | Kevin Bright, Curt Turgeon, Tara Wetzel

DEI Developments: Navigating Latest Laws & Changes**
Room 4 | Phyllis Karasov, Amy Court

Fall-Free Zone
Room 5 | Stacy Arnold, Jon Eichman

AI Demystified: The Basics of Artificial Intelligence and its Forthcoming Role in the Construction Industry
Room 6 | Matthew Semerad

12:00 PM
1:30 PM

Lunch with Exhibitors

1:30 PM
2:30 PM

Inside and Outside the Dome: MN Political Update
Ballroom C/D | Laura Ziegler

Maximizing Your Most Valuable Asset: The Mind - Empowering Your Project and Team***
Room 4 | Jonathan Zentner, Rachel Zentner

Foundations for Safety Leadership
Room 5 | Stacy Arnold

Robots at Work: Successes and Challenges in Construction Automation
Room 6 | Kyle Wilkerson, Nancy Yaklich, Dick Zhang

2:30 PM
2:45 PM

Break with Exhibitors

2:45 PM
3:45 PM

The Opportunity Case for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) in Construction
Ballroom C/D | Kori Shingles, Taylor Boileau

Ethical Traps in the Post-COVID Construction Industry****
Room 4 | Kyle Willems, John Holper

The Case for CHASE Roundtable
Room 5 | Lisa Hollingsworth

Tools of the Trade, Tech of the Future: Engineering Safety Into Jobsite Solutions
Room 6 | Lauren Thompson

3:45 PM
6:00 PM

Networking Reception
Featuring Mick Sterling and his band!

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**1.0 Elimination of Bias CLE APPROVED

***1.0 Legal Mental Health CLE APPROVED

****1.0 Legal Ethics CLE APPROVED

THURSDAY, February 20

7:30 AM
8:00 AM

Registration/Breakfast

8:00 AM
9:30 AM

A Global and Local Perspective on Climate Change: Evidence and Consequence
Dr. Mark Seeley & Sven Sundgaard

9:45 AM
10:45 AM

Economic and Construction Market Update: Flow to Negotiations
Ballroom C/D | Nathan Menken

Construction & Conflict: Simple Ways to Resolve Disputes
Room 4 | Melissa DeLay

The Rise of the Climate Economy and How Contractors Can Benefit from Available Energy Incentives and Other Credits
Room 5 | Austin Eden, Josh Steinmetz

Evolving Through Change: Inspiring Excellence (Part 1)
Room 6 | Nicole Pillow, Jeff Williams

10:45 AM
11:00 AM

Break

11:00 AM
12:00 PM

Boom Town: The Proliferation of the Rochester Construction Market

Ballroom C/D | Brian Ellsworth, Jack Rol, Steve Sampson Brown

The Power of Email & How to Make Your Words Work for You
Room 4 | Melissa DeLay

Workplace Wellbeing: Building a Safer and Thriving Construction Industry
Room 5 | Alissa Daire Nelson

Evolving Through Change: Inspiring Excellence (Part 2)
Room 6 | Nicole Pillow, Jeff Williams

12:00 PM

Brown Bag Lunch



AGENDA ITEM KEY:

General Session

Breakout Sessions

Break / Meal / Networking Event