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* November Only Virtual Sessions - \$100

* Full Conference - \$300 for 1st attendee, \$275 additional attendees
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Don't miss your chance to win \$10,000! Purchase your ticket(s) today from one of your AGC Board Members or AGC staff. Tickets are \$100, with only 500 tickets being sold. Thank you for your support of the construction industry! ***For your convenience, AGC Staff is happy to come and pick up your PAC ticket sales, to save you some time!***



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Professional Development Training Opportunities

Project Manager Development Program Course



AGC of Alaska in cooperation with AGC of California and Oregon Columbia Chapters is hosting the AGC of America program, Project Manager Development Program (PMDP), with Procore. This construction-specific training curriculum is developed, updated, and field-tested by and for contractors. The five-unit program covers the essentials of project management for emerging project managers and provides a solid foundation for long-term career development, taking participants through the management of the entire lifecycle of a construction project.



When: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, every Tuesday and Thursday, beginning November 16 and ending December 16th. *(Work around for Thanksgiving Week will take place on first day of class)*

Where: This class will be hosted online by Procore via Zoom video conferencing. (Deadline for registration, November 8)

Cost: \$1045 for AGC Members | \$1445 for Non-Member (Fee does NOT include the 5 textbooks at \$50 each in digital format.) **(TO GET MEMBER PRICING, USE THE PROMO CODE AGCAK)**

Click below on the title to purchase the book from Amazon for the Unit: (Total for all 5 books: \$250)

- * Unit 1: [Introduction to Project Management](#)
- * Unit 2: [Initiating and Planning, Part 1](#)
- * Unit 3: [Initiating and Planning, Part 2](#)
- * Unit 4: [Executing](#)
- * Unit 5: [Monitoring and Controlling, and Project Closeout](#)

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Scheduling in Oracle Primavera P6 for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Projects

Most capital construction projects for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) require a schedule in Primavera format. This schedule is the baseline from which all progress is measured, provides the foundation for Pay Applications, and is the integration point with USACE's Resident Management System (RMS 3.0). This course will discuss typical USACE contract requirements, and how to successfully meet those requirements using Primavera P6.

Upcoming Class dates: December 8 - 9 & January 12 - 13.

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Upcoming AK-CESCL Initial & Refresher, CQM & Project Manager Development Program (PMDP) Course Training Classes.

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Upcoming Conference Sessions

Full Conference Registration includes both November *Virtual Sessions* & January Networking, Educational & Excellence Events. Register Today!

WEDNESDAY - NOV. 10 - AGENCY DAY

8:30 - 11:30 am — **Department of Defense Updates:** Join the Alaska District USACE, JBER 673rd, Fort Wainwright & Eielson, to hear about program overviews and upcoming projects and procurement updates.

11:45 am - 12:45 pm — **Lunch & Learn: CMMC.** Join **Joshua Rabe, Stratus Services, & Zach Curley, AT&T, as well as representatives from the USACE**, to learn more about what CMMC is, how the maturity levels work, what the certification process looks like, and common sticking points/recommendations on how to prepare for it.

1:00 - 4:00 pm — **DOT & PF:** DOT&PF presents info about upcoming projects and issues of interest to members

4:00 - 5:00 pm — **Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)** with updates.

THURSDAY - NOV. 11 (MORNING SESSIONS)

HAPPY VETERANS DAY!

TRACK 1

8:15 - 9:15 am — **Transportation & Logistic Challenges During a Pandemic** - Come hear from **Paul Friese, Lynden, Gideon Garcia, NAC, Dale Wade, Alaska Railroad, Bal Dreyfus, Matson & Joe Michel, Alaska Trucking Association** on the challenges of moving freight during the COVID Pandemic and what we might expect in the coming months/year.

9:30 - 10:30 am — **Port of Alaska Modernization Program Update** with **Steve Ribuffo & Sharen Walsh, Port of Alaska**

10:45 - 11:45 am — **Alaska Workers Compensation and COVID-19 – How Workers Compensation in Alaska is responding to the pandemic** with speakers **Johanna B Kalal & Lynne Seville, Parker, Smith & Feek & Michael Budzinski, Meshke Paddock & Budzinski, P.C.** The presentation will focus on answering key questions about the purpose of workers compensation and whether COVID-19 is compensable under the Alaska Workers Compensation Act.

TRACK 2

8:15 - 9:15 am — **Hiring & On boarding: The tactics that save you time, money, and frustration** with **Jennifer Bolding, Bradison Management Group & Alaska Executive Search, Inc.** As certified staffing consultants, our team understands just how important hiring and on boarding can be for not only your employee, but your company's success. Join our session to identify key steps you can take that develop trust, keep employees around, and save you time and money in the long haul.

9:30 - 10:30 am — **Communicating through change: Navigating tricky issues with your workforce** with **Sarah Erkmann Ward, Blueprint Alaska.**

"The only constant is change." Never has this statement been more relevant than in the last two years. If the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us anything, it's the need to communicate well and often with our most important audience- employees. From vaccine mandates to masking policies, how you communicate with your workforce can make or break a company's reputation and ultimately impact employee retention. Blueprint Alaska President Sarah Erkmann Ward, APR, will discuss best practices and offer advice for ensuring your efforts to inform and engage employees are successful. Other pertinent issues such as leadership transitions will also be discussed.

10:45 - 11:45 am — **Vaccine Mandates**—AGC of America. Join **Jordan F. Howard, Director, Federal & Heavy Construction at Associated General Contractors of America** when he speaks on the Vaccine Mandate.

Conference Sessions—Continued

THURSDAY - NOV. 11 (AFTERNOON SESSIONS)

12:00 - 1:00 pm — **Lunch & Learn:** AIDEA Panel – Public-private partnerships & Project Updates



TRACK 1

1:15 - 2:15 pm — **A Legislative Update on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill** from the Kaitlin Schmidtke, Consumer Energy Alliance.

2:30 - 3:30 pm — **Deantha Skibinski, Alaska Miners Association**—Update on Mining Industry in Alaska

3:45 - 4:45 pm — **Kara Moriarty, President/CEO of the Alaska Oil & Gas Association (AOGA)** with an update on the Oil & Gas Industry.

TRACK 2

1:15 - 2:15 pm — **Building Strengths: How can you utilize your most valuable resource** with Katie Lauwers, Bradison Management Group & Alaska Executive Search, Inc. Identifying, building and investing in your employees is something the most competitive companies suggest you can't afford NOT to do. Today's workforce is looking to its leadership for support and trust at every stage of the employee life cycle, join our session to identify what critical steps you can take to meet your strategic goals, lower safety incidents, increase profitability, and take care of your most valuable resource.

2:30 - 3:30 pm — **Get it right at the top: How to choose and relate to a Rockstar** CEO/President/Managing Partner with Christian Muntean, Vantage Consulting. 75% of all business owners and senior executives are Baby Boomers. Most are thinking about succession - whether they plan on retiring or just moving up out of the day-to-day. The "Silver Tsunami" of senior leaders moving out of active leadership has begun. But many are finding it more difficult than anticipated.

3:45 - 4:45 pm — **Cybersecurity with Zachary Curley**, Senior Security Consultant, Cybersecurity Consulting, AT&T. This session will cover the basic components of a Cybersecurity program including asset management, security awareness, recovery plans, how to create a strategy, along with common challenges and recommendations.

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Spotlight on Mental Health in Construction – What the 2021 Industry Survey Revealed

Wednesday, November 17, 2021—10:00 AM to 11:15 AM

Join us to review the recently released national survey on [Mental Health in Construction](#) undertaken by the Center for Workplace Mental Health and three co-sponsoring organizations. This session is free for everyone, register to receive instructions to join the workshop on Zoom.

The mental health and wellbeing of workers and families have been substantially affected by stress, anxiety, depression, and substance misuse during the pandemic. Mental health is top of mind for a majority of leaders in all industries. This is true of the construction industry. Review the major findings and recommendations from the 2021 Mental Health in Construction Survey.

- Learn how to counter the stigma surrounding mental health in your company.
- Learn strategies to help administrative and craft workers seek support for mental health concerns.
- Understand how to communicate and address mental health in the workplace and on job sites.

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Get Involved - Share Your Expertise & Advance the Industry!

AGC of America is supported by a number of volunteer groups that work to address industry issues, exchange information and ideas, and lead change within the construction industry. They rely on volunteers to help advance the AGC mission.

Complete the volunteer interest form in your AGC of America member profile for an opportunity to serve in one of AGC's many volunteer roles. Several committees are currently seeking new volunteers for terms beginning spring 2022.

Want to get involved but don't have much time? There are also many opportunities available that provide you with the benefits of getting involved through quick short-term tasks.

Complete the interest form by **November 22nd to be considered for 2022 committee roles**

[Click HERE](#) to find out more about Volunteer Opportunities and some benefits of getting involved with AGC of America committees.

[Click HERE](#) to read the Contractor Magazine article from Oles Morrison Rinker & Baker, LLP member Tom Kidder on the benefits of letting your voice be heard nationally through volunteering.

[Click HERE](#) to check out the AGC of Alaska Volunteer Opportunities.



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The staff at both the AGC of Alaska and the AGC of America (AGCA) are both hard at working monitoring the Vaccine & Testing & OSHA's draft emergency temporary standard. Below is some information, and several links for additional information and resources.

We will continue to send updates out as we receive them. Your membership dues to AGC, especially at a national level, are hard at work as we continue to push for guidance related to your projects and workforce.

On October 19 and 22, AGCA met with the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to share [a host of concerns](#) about OSHA's draft emergency temporary standard (ETS). OSHA sent the draft ETS—the details of which remain unknown—to OMB for review on October 12, a signal that a final ETS could be issued within a matter of **days or weeks**. The OSHA ETS will require employers with 100 or more employees to ensure their workers are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or tested for infection on at least a weekly basis. [Click HERE](#) to read more.

AGCA is working on putting together webinars (free for members) to help them prepare for this ETS. Stay tuned, as we will share everything when finalized.

RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS:

- AGCA webinar on Ins and Outs of Federal Contractor Vaccine Mandate
For recording, [CLICK HERE](#) (if you have any issues logging in, email clare@agcak.org and she'll get you squared away)
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