

State News for NSPE Members

Support Program for Manufacturers Secures Continued Funding

A Wyoming program that promotes innovation, manufacturing, and industrial competitiveness has been approved for five more years of federal funding.

Manufacturing Works (a partnership of the University of Wyoming, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, and the Wyoming Business Council) was recently told it would receive \$600,000 annually over the next five years from NIST. Later, NIST leaders added another \$100,000 annual allocation each for Wyoming's Manufacturing Works and other members of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership National Network, which has centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. MEP is administered by NIST, which is part of the US Department of Commerce.

The overarching goal of Manufacturing Works is to build a stronger and more prosperous Wyoming through enhanced economic security and improved quality of life. Services to manufacturers include broad technical assistance, engineering solutions, general business assistance, marketing assistance and financial counseling. [Read more.](#)

Wyoming in Unique Position on Coal

At the recent Wyoming Energy Summit, Governor Mark Gordon stated that his is the first state to be in a position to go carbon negative without ending coal use, according to the *Wyoming Business Report*.

"Coal may actually be one of the best ways that we can start to incorporate carbon control, carbon capture, and then be able to deliver it in a sequestered way," he said.

Environmental groups and some critics dislike the thinking behind carbon capture. However, it can be used in industries that are difficult to move away from carbon.

Some in the natural gas industry are interested in carbon capture during the conversion of natural gas and the creation of a type of low-emissions hydrogen, [the article said](#).

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NSPECon 2022 Open for Registration

Engineers from all disciplines are invited to register for the [2022 Professional Engineers Conference](#) (NSPECon 2022) in Philadelphia, August 1-3. Early-bird registration is available until June 30.

Invited speakers will address sustainability, emerging technology, the post-covid workplace and even, construction on the moon. Licensed professional engineers and those aspiring to be one are invited to join this multi-discipline community to engage with colleagues and hear more about relevant engineering topics.



Sponsorship and Exhibitor Opportunities

Prospective conference sponsors and exhibitors will see [newly created opportunities](#) to highlight their companies and organizations throughout the conference. Sponsors can welcome attendees to the “Feel the Philly Love” opening reception, support a conference education track featuring seven unique sessions, or demonstrate how their solutions help clients overcome specific challenges by exhibiting.

PE Day

On the final day of the conference, attendees can celebrate [PE Day](#) in person and raise awareness about the importance of PEs as qualified and ethical professionals. Before attending, everyone is invited to gear up with [PE Day logo wear](#) to show PE Pride at the conference.

Call for 2022-2023 Volunteers

Volunteers are the [heart of NSPE](#) and essential to helping the Society carry out its [vision and mission and meet the goals of the strategic plan](#). Volunteer positions begin in mid-August and end at the 2023 Professional Engineers Conference.

There are three types of volunteer opportunities:

- **Level 1 (Highest Engagement)–Standing Boards and Committees**
Often includes attending at least one in-person meeting. Most meetings held via video conference. Terms may be up to three years.
- **Level 2 (Intermediate Engagement)–Ad Hoc Committees and Task Forces**
Activities primarily include online correspondence and video conference meetings.
- **Level 3 (Lowest Engagement)–Ad Hoc Volunteer**
Volunteer on a project-by-project basis.

[Submit an application by July 15 to be considered for a 2022-2023 term.](#)

House of Delegates Virtual General Assembly and Annual Meeting

The House of Delegates Virtual General Assembly will be live streamed on [NSPE's YouTube channel](#) for members on **June 30** (2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST). Following the live stream of the General Assembly, NSPE members will have an opportunity to ask questions and talk with President-Elect Britt Smith, P.E., F.NSPE, and CEO Monika Schulz through a Reddit style AMA (Ask Me Anything) format in the [Annual Meeting online community](#). All members are welcome.

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