



November 1st – 3rd
Lakeway Resort and Spa
AGENDA

Note: 12 ½ hours of continuing education for county Commissioners

Wednesday, November 1st

- 1:00 pm Welcome Remarks
- 1:30 pm Keynote Speaker
- 2:30 pm Industry Breakout Session
- 3:30 pm Industry Breakout Session
- 4:30 pm Industry Breakout Session
- 5:15 pm Wrap Up Day 1 & Early Registration Drawings
- 6:00 pm Reception

Thursday, November 2nd

- 7:30 am Breakfast / Mix and Mingle with Members and Sponsors
- 8:00 am The Legislative Process – Part I: How to Work with Your State Member with an Impact During Session for the Community **You** Both Represent
- 8:30 am The Legislative Process – Part II: Session Really Begins in the Interim: How to Make a Difference Today
Kara Mayfield
ARCIT Executive Director
- 9:15 am Industry Breakout Session
- 10:15 am Industry Breakout Session
- 11:15 am Industry Breakout Session
- 12:30 pm Lunch Keynote Speaker
The Honorable Sid Miller
Commissioner of Texas Department of Agriculture

- 1:15 pm Break / Mix and Mingle
- 1:30 pm Agency Small Groups
- 2:45 pm Keynote Speaker The Honorable Phil Stephenson
Texas House of Representatives
- 3:45 pm Agency Small Groups
- 5:00 pm Wrap Up Day Two & Door Prizes

Friday, November 3rd

- 7:30 am Breakfast / Mix and Mingle with Members and Sponsors
- 8:00 am Video by U.S. Congressman Michael T. McCaul
Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security
- 8:30 am Agency Small Groups
- 9:45 am Agency Small Groups
- 11:00 am Check-Out of Hotel Room / Break
- 11:30 am Keynote Panel Discussion
- 12:15 pm Lunch and Keynote
Announce Raffle Winners

Keynote & Panel Guests Include:

The Honorable Sid Miller, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture - confirmed

- *Legislative Update from the perspective of a state agency and how communities will provide infrastructure if the federal government eliminates funding for the community development block grant program, new opportunities for rural and small communities, economic catalysts from Go Texan*

Video Update by Congressman Michael McCaul, U.S. House of Representatives, Chairman, House Homeland Security Committee - confirmed

Homeland Security Outlook and Terror Threat Snapshot video update

The Honorable Phil Stephenson, Texas House of Representatives - confirmed

Standing Strong for Rural and Small Communities – SB 2, Property Tax Rollbacks

Agency Roundtable Discussions Include:

Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) – Bolstering the Texas Workforce – confirmed

Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) – The Rural Water Assistance Fund Program: What Can the Program Do for You? - confirmed

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) – The Enforcement Process for Water Quality: From Violations to Actions – confirmed

Small Business Administration – How SBA Can Assist Your Community Today and in to Tomorrow - confirmed

Industry Breakout Topics Include:

IT Support: Are you getting what you pay for? Presented by: Ben Terry, McLane Intelligent Solutions

Rural Broadband Strategy: Eliminating the rural broadband gap entirely in the next five years – by July 4, 2022 Presented by: Lacy Finley, TechCumulus

Capital Cost Avoidance: How to Escape the Pitfalls of Failing Infrastructure Presented by: Schneider Electric