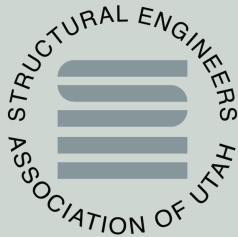


# 14TH ANNUAL SEAU EDUCATION CONFERENCE 2026



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## TRACK 1 - FEBRUARY 25TH

**8:30-9:30 AM:**  
CHANGES IN THE ACI 318-25 BUILDING  
CODE, PART 1  
*MATT SENEAL*

**9:30-10:00 AM:**  
AM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

**10:00-11:00 AM:**  
CHANGES IN THE ACI 318-25 BUILDING  
CODE, PART 2  
*MATT SENEAL*

**11:00-11:15 AM:**  
BREAK

**11:15-12:15 PM:**  
A TOOL FOR UNDERSTANDING  
REINFORCED CONCRETE: DEMYSTIFYING  
THE STRUT AND TIE METHOD  
*TIM STRICKLAND*

**12:15-1:15 PM:**  
LUNCH BREAK/VENDORS

**1:15-2:15 PM:**  
MASS TIMBER STRUCTURAL DESIGN:  
CASE STUDIES  
*TANYA LUTHI*

**2:15-2:30 PM:**  
BREAK

**2:30-3:30 PM:**  
ACHIEVING FLEXURAL DUCTILITY IN  
BRACED-FRAME BASE CONNECTIONS  
*RAFAEL SABELLI*

**3:30-4:00 PM:**  
PM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

**4:00-5:00 PM:**  
BRB CHEVRON EFFECTS – A NOVEL  
ANALYSIS AND DESIGN METHOD AND  
DESIGN AIDE  
*DOMINGO A MORAN, PHD*

## TRACK 2 - FEBRUARY 25TH

**8:30-9:30 AM:**  
MAGNA EARTHQUAKE AND SEISMIC  
RETROFIT OF THE HISTORIC  
RIO GRANDE DEPOT  
*JOEL SMITH & JEROD JOHNSON, PHD*

**9:30-10:00 AM:**  
AM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

**10:00-11:00 AM:**  
ACHIEVING RESILIENCY WITH SUPER-  
ELASTIC DEVICES  
*RUPA GARAI*

**11:00-11:15 AM:**  
BREAK

**11:15-12:15 PM:**  
SOFI STADIUM: A GRAND CHALLENGE  
*RAFAEL SABELLI*

**12:15-1:15 PM:**  
LUNCH BREAK/VENDORS

**1:15-2:15 PM:**  
PDX NEXT: EXPANSION & RETROFIT OF  
THE PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT MAIN TERMINAL  
*SETH THOMAS*

**2:15-2:30 PM:**  
BREAK

**2:30-3:30 PM:**  
THE EVOLUTION OF SALT LAKE CITY  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SLC)  
*LISA CASSEDY*

**3:30-4:00 PM:**  
PM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

**4:00-5:00 PM**  
DESIGN FOR ULTRA LOW CARBON AND  
NET ZERO ENERGY OF SAN MATEO  
COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING (500  
COUNTRY CENTER)  
*ERIC LONG*

TRACK 1 - FEBRUARY 26TH

8:30-9:30 AM:

UTAH STATE NORTH CAPITOL BUILDING  
AND MUSEUM  
*JEROD G. JOHNSON, PHD & TRAVIS  
MORTENSEN*

9:30-10:00 AM:

AM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

10:00-11:00 AM:

KEY CHANGES IN THE AISC 16TH EDITION  
STEEL CONSTRUCTION MANUAL AND 2022  
SPECIFICATION FOR STRUCTURAL  
STEEL BUILDINGS  
*YASMIN CHAUDHRY*

11:00-11:15 AM:  
BREAK

11:15-12:15 PM:

EXPANDING THE GEOMETRIC LIMITS FOR  
COMPOSITE BEAMS  
*MATTHEW EATHERTON*

12:15-1:15 PM:

LUNCH BREAK/VENDORS

1:15-2:15 PM:

OUTSIDE THE MANUAL: DESIGNING  
ATYPICAL HSS CONNECTIONS  
*BRAD FLETCHER*

2:15-2:30:  
BREAK

2:30-3:30 PM:

STEEL SYSTEMS  
*TIM PRICE*

3:30-4:00 PM:

PM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

4:00-5:00 PM:

EXPERIMENTAL TESTING OF SMF ROOF  
CONNECTIONS (RBS AND WUF-W)  
*PAUL RICHARDS, PHD*

TRACK 2 - FEBRUARY 26TH

8:30-9:30 AM:

INTRODUCTION TO LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT  
AND CASE STUDY: COMPARISON OF  
EMBODIED CARBON IN TWO FIRE STATIONS  
*EMMA ELLRICH*

9:30-10:00 AM

AM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

10:00-11:00 AM:

TOLERANCES & CONSTRUCTABILITY IN  
REINFORCED CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION  
*KEVIN BOTT*

11:00-11:15:  
BREAK

11:15-12:15 PM:

ASCE 41-23: A FIRST LOOK  
*PETER SOMERS*

12:15-1:15 PM:

LUNCH BREAK/VENDORS

1:15-2:15 PM:

ARE WE DESIGNING FOR THE CORRECT  
LEVEL OF SEISMIC HAZARD ACROSS  
THE WASATCH FAULT?  
*MOHSEN ZAKER ESTEGHAMATI, PHD*

2:15-2:30 PM:  
BREAK

2:30-3:30 PM:

INTRODUCING THE UPCOMING NEHRP  
FUNCTIONAL RECOVERY PROVISIONS  
*RYAN KERSTING*

3:30-4:00 PM:

PM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

4:00-5:00 PM:

UTAH STATE CODE AMENDMENTS  
*SEAU CODES COMMITTEE*

TRACK 3 - FEBRUARY 26TH

8:30-9:30 AM:

PE TO CEO: AN ETHICAL JOURNEY  
*RON DUNN*

9:30-10:00 AM:

AM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

10:00-11:00 AM:

DEVELOPING A MENTAL HEALTH  
WORKSHOP FOR FIRM LEADERS  
*ANDI GODFROY*

11:00-11:15 AM:  
BREAK

11:15-12:15 PM:

WHAT ARE YOU REALLY BUILDING?  
REDEFINING SUCCESS FROM THE INSIDE OUT  
*JAKE KENNINGTON*

12:15-1:15 PM:

LUNCH BREAK/VENDORS

1:15-2:15 PM:

INHERENT RESILIENCY OF  
CONCRETE MASONRY  
*CASSIE MEJIA*

2:15-2:30 PM:  
BREAK

2:30-3:30 PM:

TOPOGRAPHIC WIND EFFECTS: ASCE 7-22  
UPDATES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION  
*C. KELLY HERRICK*

3:30-4:00 PM:

PM SNACK BREAK/VENDORS

4:00-5:00 PM:

DEEP FOUNDATION AND GROUND  
IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES FOR  
CHALLENGING SOIL CONDITIONS  
*PHILLIP GALLET*