

AMPP Western Conference Tackles the Challenges of Protecting Infrastructure in Extreme Environments

Professionals will explore solutions for corrosion control, coatings performance and asset integrity across land, maritime and offshore infrastructure.

RENTON, WA, UNITED STATES, September 2, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Harsh temperatures, corrosive marine exposure, remote locations and demanding operating conditions can push infrastructure and the systems designed to protect it to their limits. The 2026 [AMPP Western Conference](#) will bring corrosion and coatings professionals together Nov. 16–18 in Renton, Washington, to examine how materials, technologies and protection strategies perform under anything but routine conditions.



AMPP Western Conference

Hosted by the AMPP Greater Puget Sound Chapter, the conference will focus on Extreme Environments: Managing Challenges for Land, Maritime and Offshore Infrastructure. Owners, operators, engineers, contractors, inspectors, manufacturers and technical specialists will share practical approaches to corrosion control, coatings performance and long-term asset integrity across challenging operating environments.

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“Extreme environments expose weaknesses quickly, whether you’re dealing with marine exposure, difficult access, remote assets or demanding operating conditions,” said Conference Chair Peter Harkins of Mobiltex. “This conference gives people who face those challenges an

opportunity to compare experiences, learn what is working in the field and make connections with others solving similar problems across different [industries](#).”

Technical Program Connects Challenges Across Industries

Rather than examining extreme environments through the lens of a single sector, the Western Conference will bring together experience from across land-based, maritime, offshore and industrial infrastructure.

Technical sessions will address cathodic protection and corrosion management; coatings, linings and inspection; fleet readiness and maritime and offshore challenges; materials selection, weld integrity and cracking; drones, robotics and advanced technologies; power generation, rail and industrial infrastructure; workforce development and safety; and regional challenges.



“The conditions may be different from one asset or industry to another, but many of the fundamental materials performance questions are shared,” said Technical Chair Tim Harding of TC Energy. “The technical program is designed to connect field experience with practical solutions and emerging technologies so attendees can take useful ideas back to the assets and programs they manage.”

Full conference registration includes technical sessions, networking breaks, two exhibit hall networking receptions, lunch and Professional Development Hours (PDHs).

The conference will also feature a co-located rectifier course on Nov. 16, led by Don Olson of Mobiltex Data Inc. The course combines instruction with hands-on troubleshooting to cover rectifier operation, functions and basic troubleshooting.

Connecting the Corrosion and Coatings Community

The Hyatt Regency Lake Washington will serve as the conference venue, bringing technical programming, exhibits and networking activities together in one location.

Advance conference registration is available through Oct. 19, 2026, and the conference hotel reservation deadline is Oct. 26, 2026.

The AMPP Western Conference is open to professionals from across North America and around the world; attendance is not limited to those located in the Western region.

For conference information and registration, visit the AMPP Western Conference webpage, <https://ampp.org/events/western-conference>.

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