

NITL Engage Policy Forum
October 6 – 8, 2025
National Press Club Washington, DC
 (All Sessions are at the National Press Club, unless noted)
 529 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC
Developing Schedule of Events

Monday, October 6, 2025	
12:00 pm – 6:00 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge	NITL Registration Open
12:00 pm – 5:30 pm The Press Club: The Zenger Room	NITL Emerging Leaders Luncheon and Program (NELP) <i>Additional Registration is required.</i> Partner: Armada
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm Thompson Hine Office, 1919 M Street, N.W., Suite 700 Washington, D.C. 20036-3537	NITL Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge	NITL Chair’s Welcome Reception Join us for an in-person opportunity to network with the shipping industry’s leaders in the supply chain! Graduation of the Inaugural Class of NITL Emerging Leaders Partner: CIT Rail
Tuesday, October 7, 2025	
8:00 am – 5:00 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge	NITL Registration Open
8:00 am – 9:00 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge	NITL Networking Breakfast – “The Road Ahead: Understanding the Impact of the Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act” <i>Speaker:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>John Drake, Vice President, Transportation, Infrastructure, and Supply Chain Policy, US Chamber of Commerce</i> Partner: AMTR

<p>9:00 am – 9:15 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Welcome to NITL Engage Policy Forum 2025 - Opening Remarks and members only vote on the new NITL Board of Directors</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>NITL's Chair Sheldon Ellis</i> • <i>NITL's Executive Director Nancy O'Liddy</i>
<p>9:15 am – 10:15 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: The Future of Global Shipping: Insights from the Journal of Commerce</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mark Szakonyi, Executive Editor, Journal of Commerce</i> <p>Partner: CHS, Inc.</p>
<p>10:15 am – 11:15 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: The Surface Transportation Board: Priorities, Policies, & Progress</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chair Patrick Fuchs, Surface Transportation Board</i> <p>Partner: Lansdale Warehouse Co., Inc.</p>
<p>11:15 am – 12:15 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: The Federal Maritime Commission: Priorities, Policies & Progress</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Commissioner Rebecca Dye of Federal Maritime Commission</i> <p>Partner: Port of Long Beach</p>
<p>12:15 pm – 1:15 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>NITL Engage Networking Luncheon</p> <p>Partner: Trinity Rail</p>
<p>1:15 pm – 1:30 pm</p>	<p>Networking Break</p>

<p>1:30 pm – 2:30 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: <i>Combating Cargo Theft: Legislative and Regulatory Action</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dora McCann, Director, Advocacy, Transportation Intermediaries Association</i> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nick Tabori, World Shipping Council, Director of U.S. Regulatory Affairs</i> • <i>Jeff Tucker, CTB, CEO, Tucker Company Worldwide, Inc.</i> • <i>Kaitlyn Holmecki, Senior Manager, International Trade and Security Policy, American Trucking Association (ATA)</i> <p>Partner: Tucker Company Worldwide</p>
<p>2:30 pm – 3:00 pm The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: <i>Driving Growth: The Economic Outlook for Transportation and Logistics</i></p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bob Costello, Chief Economist & SVP, International Trade & Security Policy</i> <p>Partner: Arthur J. Gallagher</p>
<p>3:00 pm – 4:00 pm travel time to the U.S. Capitol Building</p> <p>4:00 pm – 5:30 pm – Tour Time U.S. Capitol Building</p>	<p>Join us for an exclusive Private Tour of the Capitol led by the U.S. Capitol Historical Society, offering a unique glimpse into the rich history and significance of this iconic landmark. Bus transportation to be provided with limited seating, Attendees may also arrange Uber or rideshare transportation to the Capitol.</p> <p><i>Pre-Registration is required.</i></p> <p>Partner: International Paper</p>
<p>5:30 pm – 9:00 pm The Capitol Hill Club 300 First Street, SE, Washington, DC 3rd floor</p>	<p>NITL Engage Policy Forum: Private Reception and Dinner</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Laura DiBella, Nominated for a Commissioner Seat at the Federal Maritime Commission</i> <p>Partner: Open</p>

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

<p>8:00 am – 11:30 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>NITL Registration Open</p>
<p>8:30 am – 9:30 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: A Networking Breakfast: Strength in Numbers: The Power of Membership in Shaping Transportation Policy</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ann Warner, Ann Warner LLC, NITL’s Senior Policy Advisor</i> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Julie Alsup, Director, Government Relations and Public Affairs at International Paper Global Cellulose Fiber</i>• <i>Andrew Okuyiga, Vice President, Public Affairs, UPS</i>• <i>Wes Lujan, Government & Industry Affairs Rail North America, GATX</i> <p>Partner: GATX</p>
<p>9:30 am – 10:30 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: Implementation of Tariffs – The Effects to the Supply Chain</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Jon Gold, Vice President, Supply Chain and Customs Policy, National Retail Federation</i> <p>Partner: The Greenbrier Companies</p>
<p>10:30 am – 11:30 am The Press Club: The Holeman Lounge</p>	<p>Title: NITL Engage Policy Forum: How Data Drives Politics – What Happens in November</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Brenda Gianiny, President Axis Research Inc.</i> <p>Partner: Open</p>
<p>11:30 am – Conference adjourns</p>	<p>If shutdown continues there will be no meeting on the Hill. Schedule and attend meetings with representatives on Capitol Hill at your convenience to advocate for key industry issues. NITL will not be scheduling these meetings on your behalf, we have scheduled this time to allow you to schedule and meet at your convenience. If you find you need help, please reach out to Ann Warner.</p>