

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER

11.00am	Toowoomba Showcase and Tour
1.00pm	Heavy Vehicle Manoeuvring Demonstration
5.00pm	Welcome Drinks: Cobb & Co Museum

THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER

9.00am	Opening Address: ALGA President
9.20am	Keynote Address: Martin Matthews , former Ministry of Transport Chief Executive, New Zealand
10.00am	CSIRO's Transport Network Strategic Investment Tool (TraNSIT), Andrew Higgins
10.30am	MORNING TEA
11.00am	Partnerships for improved infrastructure: Regional Road Planning Initiatives
12.30pm	LUNCH
1.30pm	Partnerships for improved infrastructure Panel » Infrastructure Australia, Adrian Dwyer , Executive Director Policy and Research » National Heavy Vehicle Regulator, Sal Petrocchitto » CSIRO's Transport Network Strategic Investment Tool (TraNSIT), Andrew Higgins » Department of Infrastructure and Transport
3.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3.30pm	National Infrastructure Investment: Inland Rail
4.00pm	Workshop: How prepared is your council to engage in regional road planning?
5.00pm	Close
6.30pm	Congress Dinner: Picnic Point

FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER

9.00am	Emerging Policies » Austroads Data Harmonisation, Angus Draheim » Austroads Road Safety, David Bobbermen » State of the Assets Update » Federal Policy Update
10.00am	Opposition Address: The Hon Anthony Albanese MP , Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development
11.00am	MORNING TEA
11.30am	Government Address: The Hon Darren Chester MP , Minister for Infrastructure and Transport (invited)
12.00pm	Panel Session: National Supply Chain Strategy
1.00pm	The local government transport agenda & President's Close
1.30pm	Close

CALL FOR CASE STUDIES

Local Government Regional Cooperation on Regional Transport Plans

ALGA is calling for case studies of regional transport planning to be used by ALGA in advocating for additional support for councils seeking to unlock the increased productivity of their regional freight routes.

It is expected that these case studies will be published demonstrating the capacity of councils to collaborate and play an essential role in regional economic development and national productivity. Councils submitting case studies will also have the opportunity to raise their road plans and priorities with Senior Executives from the Commonwealth Government during discrete briefing sessions.

If your council or group of councils would like to have your Plan included in ALGA's advocacy resources, contact ALGA on 02 6122 9400.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Martin Matthews



One of the key decision-makers in transport from New Zealand will address Roads Congress this year. Local roads underpin the freight movement and productivity of our nation. Effective road financing and appropriate asset management are critical to the successful management of our local roads.

Martin Matthews brings a wealth of knowledge from his eight years as the Secretary of Transport in NZ, responsible for advice to the government on policy, regulation and investment across all modes of transport. During this time, he encouraged the Ministry to take a more strategic long term view about the future of mobility and transport, and the role that technology will play in bringing about a paradigm shift in the coming decades.

The Congress will hear directly from Martin on his insights into how "Governments and roading agencies need to get their heads around the opportunities to solve transport public policy challenges in completely different ways."

HEAVY VEHICLE MANOEUVRING DEMONSTRATION

On Wednesday 9 November a heavy vehicle demonstration will be provided to increase the awareness among councilors and council staff of the productivity and safety features of high productivity heavy vehicles. Delegates will gain an appreciation of the enhanced manoeuvring, access and safety capability that high productivity vehicles can provide. There will be a variety of higher productivity heavy vehicles running through their paces. This demonstration, accompanied by expert commentary, will also assist the certainty with which councils can make decisions about access to their local road networks. High productivity heavy vehicles can deliver the same amount of freight with the added benefit of reduced emissions, fewer trips and lower impact on local roads.

The demonstration is being hosted by Toowoomba Regional Council in partnership with the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator, industry participants, the Local Government Association of Queensland and ALGA.

