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2024 George A. Fox Conference to Host Leaders Representing USA's Critical Tunneling Projects

On February 7, 2024, tunneling and underground construction professionals and students will gather in New York, NY to identify challenges and advance strategies for tunneling in populated areas. As the most engaging one-day conference in the industry, the George A. Fox Conference boasts a technical program driven by thought leaders focused on trends and technology impacting today's tunneling professionals.

"The George A. Fox Conference is an internal venue to enrich knowledge for all attendees, including the brilliant representatives of major projects from across the country," said Underground Construction Association (UCA) Chair, Erika Moonin. "We eagerly anticipate hearing their insights regarding the many applications and emerging technologies of urban tunneling."



The 2024 Keynote Speaker is Laura Mason, Executive Vice President of Capital Delivery at Amtrak. With over \$50 billion of critical infrastructure, facility and fleet investments in planning and development, Mason leads Amtrak's efforts to turn its ambitious plans into reality. Her address will provide key insights into Amtrak's challenges and opportunities as the company and its partners rebuild critical assets and transform American passenger rail for the 21st century.

The George Fox technical program will also include sessions presented by officials representing the following projects:

- NYC DEP Shaft 17B and Shaft 18B Project – NYC
- Second Avenue Subway Phase II – NYC
- Hudson Tunnel Project* (HTP) – NY/NJ

- Frederick Douglass Tunnel – Baltimore, MD
- West Seattle and Ballard Link Extensions* – Seattle, WA
- Alexandria RiverRenew – Alexandria, VA
- BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension – Bay Area, CA

*Featured on UCA's [2023 Tunnel Watch List](#)

For more information about the conference, visit georgefoxconference.org.

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The Underground Construction Association, a Division of SME (UCA) brings together tunneling's brightest and most dedicated professionals. Global association members advance their careers with world-class technical resources, educational programs, networking opportunities and professional development tools from UCA. Our members are focused on sharing best practices in safety, environmental stewardship and technological advancements. UCA. *Inspiring tunneling professionals worldwide.*