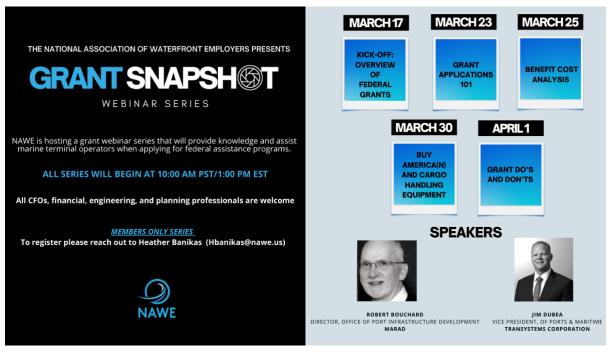


## **NAWE Meets With MARAD**

On Wednesday, March 17th, 16 of NAWE's members had the opportunity to participate in a Q&A session with the new Acting Maritime Administrator, Lucinda Lessley. Topics covered include discussion of NAWE's priorities as they relate to MARAD's role within the US DOT:

- 1. NAWE supports Port Infrastructure Development Grant funding at \$500M for FY22
- 2. We discussed the need for a Buy American Act policy change towards cargo handling equipment to facilitate the industry's ability to acquire near-zero-emission equipment sooner; doing so will support President Biden's climate priorities
- 3. Marine Highways program
- 4. Thank her for MARAD's willingness to partner on creating an Interactive Federal agency tool that will delineate the difference between the over 20 Federal entities that touch MTO.
- 5. NAWE hopes to see MTOs included on the new MTSNAC (Maritime Transportation System National Advisory Committee)
- We were invited to return when we can meet in person.

## The NAWE Grant Snapshot Webinar Series Has Taken Off!



This week NAWE kicked off its first webinar of the NAWE Grant Snapshot series. MARAD Director, Office of Port Infrastructure Development, Robert Bouchard gave a valuable presentation on helping marine terminal operators apply for federal assistance programs, eligible projects, and funding opportunities available in 2021.

The next webinar will be held March 23, 2021 1:00pm est/ 11:00am PST

This is a member-only event.

To register or for questions, please reach out to Heather Banikas (HBanikas@nawe.us)

Be In The Know: Florida's Governor is promising \$230M in stimulus funds to seaports based in the State

In a letter to Florida Senate President Wilton Simpson and Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives Chris Sprowls, DeSantis recommended nearly \$260 million be provided to seaports from federal funds the state is expected to receive from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 signed into law recently.

To Read Read More: https://spacecoastdaily.com/2021/03/port-canaveral-releases-statement-on-emergency-relief-funding-from-state-of-florida/

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UPCOMING MEETINGS



APRIL 13

NAWE ALL MEMBER GENERAL MEETING

1:00PM EST/ 11:00AM PST - VIRTUAL MEETING

APRIL 15

SPRING BOARD MEETING

1:00PM EST/ 11:00AM PST - VIRTUAL MEETING

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming NAWE Events

**April 13th: NAWE All-member General Meeting** 

10am PT / 1pm ET / 7pm CET (Central European Time)

**April 15thth: Spring Board Meeting** 





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## A New Maritime Industry Job Board on the Way

NMSA is creating a job board tailored to the Maritime Industry.

The job board will be featured on the NMSA's website where members and non-members will be able to post open job opportunities, which are then searchable by job seekers. This job board will deliver relevant job opportunities for the maritime industry and serve as a powerful tool for finding qualified applicants.

If interested, please connect your Human Resources department with Victoria Rodrigues (Vrodrigues@nawe.us) to arrange future job postings.

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