



THE VAN HORNE INSTITUTE

Summer Newsletter

Ready at a Moment's Notice Conference

About:

This conference will focus on the expertise developed by government and civilian agencies, industry and the Military, in supply chain and logistics as applied to field deployment and emergency preparedness.

Ideal for:

- Supply chain and logistics community to learn how the logistics practice of emergency preparedness organizations and the military applies to their business.
- Companies and agencies involved as first respondents to local and international emergencies.
- Governments and companies implementing emergency response plans.
- Regular and reserve armed forces personnel .
- International development NGOs, consultants, academics, and the media, to broaden their knowledge and share the experiences in the logistics of military and emergency response agencies.

<http://readyatamomentsnotice.eventbrite.ca>



October 16 and 17, 2014

MacHall A & B

424 Collegiate Blvd NW,

University of Calgary

2500 University Dr. NW

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

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Day 1 Conference: 8:00 AM– 5:00

PM (MacHall A)

Reception & Dinner: 5:00 PM– 7:30

PM (MacHall B)

Day 2 Conference: 8:00 AM– 1:55

PM(MacHall A)

The Calgary Region as a Transportation Hub



BE PART of an informed and diverse group of professionals drawn from governments, educational institutions and business over two and a half days, in Calgary, to explore the opportunities that will be driven by our rapidly developing trade networks.

The program will be kicked off by a reception on the evening of November 18th, to be held at the Royal Canadian Pacific Pavilion. On November 19th, an event, unique to Calgary, will be held in Enmax Conservatory with the first NASCO (North American Strategy for Competitiveness)

regional conference. NASCO is a tri-national coalition of governments, businesses and educational institutions driven by a common interest in collaboration along key freight, energy and trade networks. At NASCO, they believe that the best strategy for North American

competitiveness lies in freight logistics and operational efficiencies, innovative supply chain

technologies, and skilled workforce training programs. NASCO believes that the only way to achieve results and success is from the grassroots level, with the local, state and provincial governments partnering with industry expertise. Those public and private partnership and connections across the continent are what NASCO does best.

That evening, the Van Horne Institute will present Janet Holder, Executive Vice President, Western Access for Enbridge and the Northern Gateway Pipeline Project Lead. Ms. Holder will address the topic of "Having the Courage To Do the Right Thing". Ms. Holder will be following in a tradition of senior executives offering their perspective as a part of the Institute's Women in Supply Chain Distinguished Speaker Dinner Series.

On November 20th, the Van Horne Institute will lead a discussion by a series of Distinguished Speakers on the topic of "The Calgary Region as a Transportation Hub". This conference is

designed to provide attendees the opportunity to engage with leaders from the transportation, supply chain, logistics and distribution industries to share a vision of the future economy of the Calgary region. Participants will be encouraged to help develop a future blueprint for the

transportation, infrastructure and policy changes required to ensure that the Calgary region maintains its competitive advantage as Western Canada's distribution hub.

<http://hubconference14.eventbrite.ca>

Two and a Half Day Regional Conference

November 18, 2014 Opening

Reception:

- *Royal Canadian Pacific Pavilion*

November 19, 2014 NASCO Regional

Summit:

- *Enmax Conservatory, Calgary Zoo*

November 19, 2014 Women in Supply

Chain Distinguished Speakers Dinner

Series:

- *Safari Lodge, Calgary Zoo*

November 20, 2014 The Calgary Region

as a Transportation Hub:

- *Safari Lodge, Calgary Zoo*

The View From Washington:

WHY CANADA MAY ALREADY BE A LOSER IN THE 2014 AMERICAN ELECTIONS



I am writing this sitting at my dining room table in Alexandria, Virginia on Wednesday, June 11. All of the talk around town today is about the defeat, in yesterday's Virginia Republican primary, of the U.S. House of Representatives Majority Leader Eric Cantor. It is fair to say that no one saw this coming; even yesterday's Washington Post said that the election would be a non-event. This week's Economist includes an article about difficult Republican primaries, and there is no mention of Cantor. Indeed, in

the wake of the defeat of many establishment Republicans by Tea Partiers in the last two election cycles, establishment Republican success against the Tea Party so far this year had been seen as a sign things had changed for the better. No more.

What does this have to do with Canada? What does this have to do with the United States and Canada working more closely together on a range of projects including transportation, energy, security and so forth? Plenty, I would argue. And I would also state that Canadians should not be surprised, though I know they will be.

Six years ago I attended a Canadian Airports board meeting. I could see how involved my Canadian friends are in U.S. politics; many of the questions during the three days I was there involved whether I thought then -Senator Obama would win the election, to be held the following week. They knew as much about the "horse race" part of the election as most of my American friends (and this was confirmed in 2012 when I was in Ottawa right before that year's presidential election, and I fielded some good questions from the wait staff at the little restaurant near the departure gate once they found I am an American).

But during that meeting in 2008, I listened to a presentation by a noted Canadian political analyst who reviewed some polling they had done on various issues. One part of the polling had to do with American attitudes toward Canada. It was a rosy picture.

Being one of two Americans in the room (my wife was the other) I listened with interest, but also with concern. I debated raising my hand. Finally, I did.

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