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## **NNE & NEA Reps Leave Joint Regional Meeting “Energized, Knowledgeable, and Well-Prepared to Serve”**

The New England (NNE) and Eastern (NEA) regions held a two-day joint regional meeting in Boston, May 5-6, with NNE Regional Vice President (RVP) Mick Devine and NEA RVP Brian Shallenberger.

President Rich Santa spoke in depth to the members for several hours about NCEPT, the NATCA Majority, the infrastructure bill, traffic management and information sharing, the pandemic and its effects, and much more.

“Regardless of the region, how big or small it is, or where it’s located, we all have similar issues and successes and can provide unique insight and solutions that others might not have thought of,” Devine said.

“We all left the meeting energized, knowledgeable, and well-prepared to serve our Union as we work to build the bench of leaders for the future,” Shallenberger said.

Read more [here](#).



## **NNE / NEA Joint Regional Meeting Boston | May 2022**

### **Professional Standards Training Triples Number of Committee Members in Alaskan Region**

Professional Standards (PS) Committee members Lydia Baune (Spokane ATCT, GEG), Patrick Carter (Dallas/Fort Worth TRACON, D10), and Christopher Keyes (Washington Center, ZDC) conducted PS Committee member training in Anchorage, Alaska, May 17-19.

“The Professional Standards Program serves an important function, and its success depends on the right members stepping up to be a part of it,” Alaskan Regional (NAL) Vice President Clint Lancaster said. “I have no doubt that this class will carry forward our proud tradition of professionalism.”

Attending the class were Lancaster and NAL ARVP Brett Lystad, as well as 18 NATCA members from Anchorage TRACON (A11), Alaskan Flight Service Station (AFSS) hub locations (Flight Service Station ENA (FS1), Fairbanks Flight Service (FS2), Juneau Local (JNU AFSS), Anchorage Center (ZAN), Merrill Field ATCT (MRI), Fairbanks ATCT (FAI), and Engineers/Alaskan Region (EAL).

“This training session tripled the number of Professional Standards Committee members in Alaska and brought together NATCA members from Air Traffic, Flight Service, and Region X,” said Lystad. “It was great to strengthen the bonds with our brothers and sisters from other bargaining units and I am excited to see them all rejuvenate the Professional Standards Program at their facilities.”



## Professional Standards Committee Training Anchorage, Alaska | May 2022

### Program Update: Airspace and Procedures Committee

The National Airspace and Procedures Committee (NAPC) serves as the Union's focal point regarding all aspects of airspace initiatives, including development, amendment, and implementation of air traffic and instrument flight procedures and airspace within the National Airspace System (NAS).

As a member of the NAPC, Procedures Article 114 Representative John Murdock works collaboratively with the Mission Support Services Policy (AJV-P), developing, implementing, amending, and interpreting air traffic policies and regulations. Murdock also works closely with other Article 114 and project representatives to assist them in developing and incorporating policy and procedures into the NAS.

Members can review the most recent news from Murdock, including what





## 2021 Region X Commitment to Safety Award Spotlight: Barry Hammer (ENE), Cindy Hirsch (ENM), Terry Washington (ESO)



The 2021 recipients of the Region X Commitment to Safety Award are Barry Hammer (Engineers New England, ENE, pictured left), Cindy Hirsch (Engineers/Northwest Mountain, ENM, pictured right), and Terry Washington (Engineers Southern Region, ESO, pictured center). They are the NATCA members who are the leads for their

respective FAA regions for the Runway Incursion Mitigation (RIM) safety-related program from the FAA Office of Airports (ARP). They are managing the RIM program on behalf of their regions, working in concert with regional and national FAA staff to execute it.

The Region X Commitment to Safety Award is given annually to a Region X member who has shown a profound dedication to ensuring the safety of the National Airspace System (NAS). Hammer, Hirsch, and Washington will receive their award during a special event in New Orleans on June 17. Reducing runway incursions at the over 500 towered airports in the NAS is a top priority for the FAA.

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