

NATCA Members Attend Transportation Trust Fund Event

NATCA President Nick Daniels, along with NATCA members Raine Ralston (Washington Center, ZDC), Taylor Warren (Potomac TRACON, PCT), and FacRep Daniel Garcia (Miami Center, ZMA), attended the Transportation Trust Fund event on June 24 in Washington, D.C.

Daniels, along with Garcia, Ralston, and Warren, were able to engage several U.S. Representatives, including Chairman of the House Committee on Infrastructure and Transportation Sam Graves (Mo.-6), Rep. Tom Barrett (Mich.-7), Rep. Rob Breshnaham (Pa.-8), Rep. Jeff Hurd (Colo.-3), Rep. Kevin Kiley (Calif.-3), Rep. David Rouzer (N.C.-7), and Rep. Nick Begich (Alaska-At Large).



The discussion between the NATCA members and Congressional leaders focused on FAA staffing levels, the need to maintain the Federal Employee Retirement System (FERS), and modernizing the National Airspace System (NAS).

NATCA Professional Standards Team Brings Training to New Zealand

NATCA's Professional Standards (PS) team recently traveled to New Zealand to deliver training to the New Zealand Airline Pilots Association (NZALPA) Professional Standards Group and Ryan Murray, Vice President of Civil Air Australia.

The NZALPA has had a PS program for the past eight years. However, it has operated without management involvement. That dynamic recently changed, and NZALPA is now working toward a collaborative model similar to the FAA/NATCA program. At the same time, Australia continues to explore how a joint approach could benefit their workforce.





"This collaboration with NZALPA and Civil Air highlights the growing global momentum behind peer-to-peer programs. Committee members are compassionate, committed, and genuinely excited to support their peers and strengthen their profession. It's a powerful reminder that the values of professionalism and safety are universal. NATCA is proud to support this shared vision, and proud to call NZALPA and Civil Air partners and friends. This work matters, and we're better for doing it together," said Professional Standards team member Lydia Baune (Spokane ATCT, GEG).

The PS team said it looks forward to continuing this partnership and reconnecting with their New Zealand and Australian colleagues at Communicating for Safety this September.

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