



CFS 2025 Opens with Welcome from NATCA President Nick Daniels & Safety Chair John Murdock

At Communicating For Safety 2025, NATCA President Nick Daniels welcomed attendees with a message that underscored the conference's role as the world's premier aviation safety event. He emphasized CFS as a place where frontline controllers, engineers, pilots, and decision-makers connect to turn ideas into action.



Following the welcome, NATCA Safety Chair John Murdock opened the conference program by reaffirming NATCA's unwavering commitment to safety, efficiency, and modernization across the National Airspace System.



NATCA Safety Chair John Murdock Welcomes Attendees to CFS 2025

Las Vegas | Sept. 15, 2025

**"Control and Command: Leading Change Where
Safety Takes Flight" Highlights Safety,
Modernization, and Staffing**



During the first session at Communicating For Safety 2025, NATCA President Nick Daniels and FAA Administrator Bryan Bedford came together for an engaging fireside chat on the future of the National Airspace System. Their discussion highlighted three critical priorities: maintaining the highest levels of safety, advancing modernization through new technologies, and addressing staffing challenges to sustain a strong, well-trained workforce.

CFS 2025 Session "Beyond the Briefing" Explores Today's Aviation Risk Landscape



At Communicating For Safety 2025, the session "Beyond the Briefing: A 360° View of Today's Aviation Risk Landscape" brought together leaders from across the industry for a candid discussion about risk. NATCA Safety Chair John Murdock moderated a panel featuring Air Line Pilots Association International Aviation Safety Chair Steve Jangelis, Delta Air Lines Director of Flight Safety Christopher Collins, and FAA Acting Director for Safety Art Sheffield. Together, they examined how evolving challenges, from operational hazards to emerging technologies, shape aviation safety and demand collaborative solutions.

**NATCA Honors Rep. Sam Graves and Rick Larsen
with the James L. Oberstar Sentinel of Safety Award**



NATCA President Nick Daniels honored U.S. Rep. Sam Graves, Chair of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, and U.S. Rep. Rick Larsen, Ranking Member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, with our Union's James L. Oberstar Sentinel of Safety Award at Communicating For Safety 2025. A champion for aviation safety and the workforce, Rep. Graves has led FAA reauthorization, advocated for controllers and aviation professionals, and worked tirelessly to strengthen the future of the National Airspace System. Rep. Larsen's steadfast support for NATCA members, commitment to labor and safety, and bipartisan leadership on aviation policy have strengthened the National Airspace System and advanced modernization for the workforce we serve. The Oberstar Award is NATCA's highest honor for those outside of our organization who have displayed outstanding achievements in the advancement of aviation safety.

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At Communicating For Safety 2025, NATCA was honored to welcome National Transportation Safety Board Chair Jennifer Homendy to the conference main stage. A steadfast ally of aviation safety professionals, Chair Homendy shared her perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing the National Airspace System and reinforced her commitment to collaboration with labor, industry, and government.

Live Streaming CFS: Join Us From Anywhere in the World

NATCA is proud to bring Communicating For Safety (CFS) 2025 to an even wider audience through our live stream. From Sept. 15-17, more than 1,200 aviation professionals will gather in Las Vegas for the nation's premier aviation safety conference. Hosted by NATCA, CFS brings together the aviation community to collaborate, innovate, and strengthen the National Airspace System.

Through expert panels, operational case studies, and conversations on emerging technologies, CFS delivers the critical discussions that move aviation forward. Whether you are joining us in person or tuning in from anywhere in the world, we welcome you to take part in this important exchange of ideas. Follow along on the [live stream](#) and be part of where aviation safety advances.



**Live stream the
conference starting
Sept. 15 at 1 p.m. PDT**
natca.org/events/cfs

The live stream schedule is:

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2025

9 – 9:45 a.m. PDT General Session
12:30 – 2:30 p.m. PDT General Session
3:15 – 5 p.m. PDT General Session

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. PDT General Session
7:15 – 10 p.m. PDT Archie League Medal of Safety Awards Reception and Banquet

Explore the Official CFS 2025 Conference Book



A digital copy of the official event book for Communicating For Safety 2025 is now available online.

Inside, you'll find the full agenda, speaker spotlights, and features on NATCA's signature programs. The book also includes sponsor information, exhibitor details, and background on the events that make CFS the nation's premier aviation safety conference.

Access the CFS 2025 event book [here](https://natca.org/events/cfs).

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