2026 TT&S ANNUAL CONFERENCE & VENDOR SHOWCASE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY
February 17

Registration 12:00 - 4:00 pm 3:00 pm INTRODUCTION: Seth Amdorfer, DCN CEO Missouri Ballroom

KEYNOTE: ND State Broadband Office, Partnering with North Dakota's Carriers on Delivering Last-Mile Broadband to 100% of all North Dakotans Brian D. Newby, Broadband Program Director of NDIT

Accompanied by Brian Nybakken, Broadband Program Manager of NDIT

4:00 - 6:30 pm VENDOR SOCIAL

Dakota Ballroom

7 - 8:30 am BREAKFAST Courtyard

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7 - 8:30 am	BREAKFAST	Courtyard				
		MISSOURI BALLROOM				
	Governor's Room (General/Office)	Heart Room	Sheyenne Room	Cannonball Room	Dakota Ballroom	
8 - 8:50	Managing and Leading Small Projects	XGS PON Drivers and Considerations / Keeping it Simple: FTTH & OTDR Fundamentals with Smart Assistance	7 Habits of Highly Effective Wi-Fi in Ubiquiti Networks	The What, How, and When of Access Control		
9 - 9:50	Carla Hixson (TrainND)	Mark Vreeland (Calix) Jeff Harmon (Viavi)	Eric Weber (wifi-u)	James Anderson (Core4 Technologies)		
10 - 10:50	Likable Leadership in Everyday Work: Warmth and Competence in Action	Fiber Topic	New Features in Appsuite	Power Over Ethernet (PoE)	SESSIONS:	
9 - 9:50	Lisa Parry	Sean Kelly (Light Brigade)	John Patterson (NISC)	James Anderson (Core4 Technologies)	Hands-On Fiber Optics Stations	Services
11-11:50	From Burnout to Bandwidth: Protecting Your Energy at Work Lisa Parry	Futurepath Microduct Blake Rhoads/Jake Irwin (Dura-Line)	What to Expect From iVue Connect Cathy Fuller (NISC)	811 in North Dakota: What Excavators and Utilities Need to Know Ryan Schmaltz (ND One Call)		the World Broadband Sei
12 - 1 pm	12 - 1 pm LUNCHEON Courtyard					cting t
1 - 1:50	Guiding Change at Work: Finding the Human Advantage Lisa Parry	Fiber - What's Next? Mike Lamb (Lightera)	Troubleshooting Wi-Fi Network Issues - A Step-by-Step Workflow Andrew Walding (Cellstream)	The Math of Making Al Work Dr. Terry Pilling (U of Mary)	Hands-On Fiber Optics Stations (continued) - Sean Kelly (Light Brigade); Andrew Degidio (Sumitomo); OTDR by Steve Wolles (AFL) or Jeff Harmon (Viavi)	TRS Connecting Introduction to Careers in
2 - 2:50	Effective Use of Al in the Workplace: a Practical Guide (TrainND)	Looking to the Future – Fiber to the Edge Justin Foth (Clearfield)	Are Speed Tests Accurate in 2025? Andrew Walding (Cellstream)	Utility Locating Technology Changes with Centimeter Mapping Accuracy Dylan Daugherty (Ditch Witch)		
3 - 3:50	Effective Use of Al in the Workplace: a Practical Guide	Introduction to Ribbon Fiber and Splicing Best Practices		Cybersecurity Topic		
	(TrainND)	Andrew Degidio (Sumitomo)		(TrainND)		
4:00 - 6:30 p	m VENDOR SOCIAL - Cornhole Tournament			Dakota Ba	allroom	

THURSDAY
February 19

7:30 - 9:00 am	BREAKFAST	Lamborn (Dakota Ballroom)
9:00 am	Roadway Safety, NDHP	Lamborn (Dakota Ballroom)
10:00 am	"If Only" from Dawn Chisholm	Lamborn (Dakota Ballroom)
11 pm	Closing Remarks	Lamborn (Dakota Ballroom)