

June 1, 2026

Ms. Kathi Driggs

Transportation Professional Certification Board
1627 Eye Street NW, Suite 550
Washington, DC 20006

Re: Statement of Interest for TPCB Discipline Director

Dear Ms. Driggs:

I am pleased to submit my expression of interest in serving as a Discipline Director on the Transportation Professional Certification Board (TPCB).

As one of the inaugural recipients of the Professional Transportation Planner (PTP) credential (Certificate No. 9), I have witnessed the growth and evolution of the certification program since its earliest days. Throughout my career, I have championed professional excellence, continuing education, and ethical practice within the transportation profession. Serving on the TPCB Board would provide an opportunity to give back to a program that has helped elevate the recognition and credibility of transportation as a profession.

My professional experience spans more than thirty years across the public, private, federal, and academic sectors. I currently serve as Founder and CEO of Shen and Associates, LLC and as Adjunct Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Practice at the University of Southern California (USC). Previous leadership positions include Executive Director of Eco-Rapid Transit, Chief Engineer of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, Mid-Pacific Gateway Director in the Maritime Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Director of Transportation Planning at the Port of Long Beach, and Transportation Planning & Development Manager for the City of Pasadena.

I am honored to be recognized as a Fellow of both the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). These distinctions reflect a longstanding commitment to professional leadership, mentorship, and service. Throughout my career, I have served on numerous national committees, technical advisory panels, and nonprofit boards, including leadership roles with the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies (TRB), the California Transportation Foundation, and the WTS Los Angeles Chapter. These experiences have reinforced the importance of strong governance, sound professional judgment, and stewardship of institutions that serve the transportation community.

If elected, I would bring a combination of executive leadership, a multidisciplinary perspective spanning transportation planning and engineering, governance experience, and a passion for developing future leaders. I have worked closely with professionals at all stages of their careers and have seen firsthand the value of professional certification in fostering competence, credibility, and public trust. As an educator and mentor, I also recognize the importance of introducing emerging professionals to the value of professional certification early in their careers.

The transportation profession is interdisciplinary, data-driven, and collaborative. TPCB has an important role in ensuring that professional certification continues to reflect these evolving competencies while maintaining the credibility that licensees, employers, and the public expect. Looking ahead, I am particularly interested in helping TPCB strengthen awareness of the interdisciplinary nature of transportation; engage emerging professionals; and reinforce the value of certification to the community we serve.

I would be honored to contribute to the continued success and credibility of TPCB and its certification programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric C. Shen, P.E., PTP (No. 9), F.ASCE, F.ITE



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RE: Consent to Serve as Transportation Professional Certification Board Discipline Director

This letter confirms that Shen and Associates, LLC supports the candidacy of Eric C. Shen, P.E., PTP, CPE, F.ASCE, F.ITE for election as a Discipline Director of the Transportation Professional Certification Board (TPCB).

Should Mr. Shen be elected, Shen and Associates, LLC consents to his service on the Board and will provide reasonable flexibility to allow him to fulfill the responsibilities associated with the position, including participation in Board meetings, conference calls, and related activities.

We recognize the value of professional certification and the important role TPCB plays in advancing the transportation profession. We are pleased to support Mr. Shen's continued service to the profession through this leadership opportunity.

Sincerely,

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Eric C. Shen, P.E., PTP, F.ASCE, F.ITE
Founder & CEO
Shen and Associates, LLC



ERIC C. SHEN, P.E., PTP, F.ASCE, F.ITE

Founder & CEO, Shen and Associates, LLC

Adjunct Professor of Civil & Environmental Engineering Practice,
University of Southern California

PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS

- Professional Engineer (Civil), California (No. 56116)
- Professional Engineer, Alabama
- Professional Transportation Planner (PTP No. 9), Transportation Professional Certification Board
- Fellow, American Society of Civil Engineers (F.ASCE)
- Fellow, Institute of Transportation Engineers (F.ITE)
- Certified Port Executive (CPE)

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Transportation executive, engineer, planner, educator, and consultant with more than 30 years of leadership experience across the public, private, federal, and academic sectors. Recognized for advancing multimodal transportation planning, freight mobility, infrastructure delivery, professional development, and interagency collaboration.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Founder & CEO**, Shen and Associates, LLC (2022-Present)
- **Adjunct Professor of Engineering Practice**, University of Southern California (2008-Present)
- **Executive Director** (Contracted), Eco-Rapid Transit (2022-2024)
- **Chief Engineer**, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (2020-2022)
- **Mid-Pacific Gateway Director**, Maritime Administration (MARAD), USDOT (2015-2020)
- **Director of Transportation Planning**, Port of Long Beach (2007-2015)
- **Transportation Planning & Development Manager**, City of Pasadena (2000-2007)

PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

- **Transportation Research Board, National Academies of Science**
 - Member, Technical Activities Council (2017-2019)
 - Chair, Marine Group (2015-2017)
 - Chair, Ports & Channels Committee (2009-2015)
- **Board Service**
 - California Transportation Foundation, Board of Directors (2015-2018)
 - Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade Corridors, Board of Directors (2012-2015)
 - WTS Los Angeles Chapter, At-Large Board of Directors (2009-2024)

PROFESSIONAL RELATED HONORS

- Lifetime Achievement Award, ITE Southern California Section
- Hall of Fame Inductee, UC Irvine Samueli School of Engineering
- WTS-LA Honorable Ray LaHood Award
- Distinguished Engineering Alumnus, University of California, Irvine
- Outstanding Transportation Educator Award, ITE Western District
- Outstanding Engineering Educator Award, Orange County Engineering Council

EDUCATION

- Master of Science in Civil Engineering, University of California, Irvine
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (Honors), University of California, Irvine