



# Navigating Section 4(f): Balancing Transportation and Preservation



## Lunch & Learn

March 20, 2026

NAEP-SC is excited to have David Grachen from Edwards-Pitman as our featured speaker. Prior to joining EPEI, David was an Environmental Specialist with the FHWA for over 30 years serving as a subject matter expert on NEPA, Section 106, Section 4(f), and Environmental Justice. Please join us for lunch and learning as David speaks about Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act.

### TOPICS

- Understanding Section 4(f): Purpose and Legal Framework
- Identifying Protected Resources: Parks, Recreation Areas, and Historic Sites
- Section 4(f) Evaluations and When *De Minimis* Applies
- Avoidance and Minimization Strategies for Transportation Projects
- Case Studies and Best Practices in Section 4(f) Compliance
- And more!



**WHEN & WHERE** (March 20, 2026)  
**11:45 am - 1:30 pm (Lunch provided)**

Michael Baker International\*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor - Belle Vista Room  
700 Huger St.  
Columbia, SC 29201

*\*Space may be limited. The venue is subject to change based on expected attendance.*

### REGISTRATION

Register at [www.NAEP-SC.org](http://www.NAEP-SC.org)

**You must register by Friday, March 13, 2026**

### COSTS

NAEP-SC Members - \$20

Non-members - \$40

Students - Free

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