

2025 GAMA Hill Day Meetings General Suggestions

KEY THEMES

- We encourage all meetings to focus on the importance of trade policies which impact on the aviation sector's competitiveness in the international marketplace. Our main ask is for the Trump Administration to clarify that the civil aviation industry can continue to operate under the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft to maintain U.S. manufacturing and export success.
- These meetings are an opportunity to provide policymakers with insight and expertise on aviation safety. Given recent accidents and incidents, underscore the need for investment in the U.S. air traffic infrastructure, and the importance of funding and timely implementation of key provisions from the 2024 FAA Reauthorization particularly those related to aircraft certification and the industry and FAA workforce.
- If the Research and Development tax credit and Immediate Depreciation tax incentive is important to your company, you should feel free to highlight that as well.
- You are encouraged to use these meetings to highlight your company, its products, and contributions to the local community. This is underpinned by the fact that general aviation is a key contributor to the U.S. economy, supporting 1.3 million jobs and \$339 billion in economic output annually. Congressional offices want to hear why this issue is important to your company and their district and state.

BACKGROUND

We have tried to connect your meetings with at least one team member that has a facility in the state or district of the Senator/Representative. Please ensure that this team member has the chance in meetings to discuss their facility, its employees, and their work.

An invitation for the Member of Congress or staff to visit a facility, particularly for those who are new to the 119th Congress, is useful for furthering discussion and the relationship.

Many meetings are scheduled with Senators and Representatives. However, schedules may fluctuate based on votes or committee obligations which can necessitate staff facilitating the meeting - these conversations can be equally if not more valuable.

In the context of highlighting your company product and general aviation contributions, we encourage you to underscore that general aviation manufacturing supports highly skilled, good-paying jobs in an industry that encourages safety and technological innovation.

We have also created a GAMA Hill Day leave-behind that highlights the important contributions general aviation manufacturing and maintenance provides. Team Leaders will have copies of this, as well as GAMA State Data Sheets, for each meeting.