2011 Joint AASHTO Right of Way and Utilities and Design Subcommittee Meetings
May 9–13, 2011 • St. Louis, Missouri

CONFERENCE AGENDA
Monday, May 9, 2011

11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. Conference Registration

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. IRWA Course Training—Course 213: Conflict Management

2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. TRB Utilities Meeting

4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m. FHWA Meeting (Right of Way)

7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Welcome Reception Sponsored by O.R. Colan and Cardno TBE

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Conference Registration

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Joint Technical Committee on Pavements Meeting

8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Opening General Session

Keith Platte, AASHTO Liaison, Subcommittee on Right of Way and Utilities and Subcommittee on Design
National Anthem—Randell McGee, Central Visual and Performing Arts High School
St. Louis Welcome—Mayor Francis Slay, Mayor of St. Louis and Alderwoman Phyllis Young
Missouri DOT Welcome—Kevin Keith
FHWA Missouri Division—Kevin Ward
FHWA—Nelson Castellanos, Director, Office of Real Estate Services

9:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m. Alan Hartley, Special Projects Manager, DOT, Adelaide, Australia

It All Begins with an Expectation

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m. Break and Exhibit Area Open

10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. General Session (Continued)

Keynote Speaker Randy Pennington
Leading at a New Level: Move Your Organization to Be Even More Responsive, Collaborative, and Flexible

12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Lunch and Presentation—The Every Day Counts Initiative

Gregory Nadeau, Deputy Administrator, FHWA
The Deputy Administrator will provide an update on the Every Day Counts Initiative which identifies and deploys innovation aimed at delivering highway projects faster, enhancing safety, and protecting the environment.

1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSION I

Breakout 1—Region 1 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Robert Smith, Rhode Island DOT; Nelson Smith, Maryland DOT; and Chuck Schmidt, New Hampshire DOT

Breakout 2—Region 2 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Keith Purvis, Mississippi DOT; Phil Copeland, Georgia DOT; Robert Memory, North Carolina DOT; and Dan Smith, Mississippi DOT

Breakout 3—Region 3 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Jerry Zogg, Wisconsin DOT; Cheryl Cathey, Illinois DOT; and Marilyn Remer, Minnesota DOT
Breakout 4—Region 4 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Mark Neidhold, Alaska DOT; Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT; and Lyle McMillan, Utah DOT

3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m. Break and Exhibit Area Open

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSION II

Breakout 1—Utilities Directors Meeting: Round Table Discussion
Directors Only
Moderator: Chuck Schmidt, New Hampshire DOT

Breakout 2—Project Delivery: Viewing Success Through the Public’s Eye
Moderators: Kathy Harvey, Missouri DOT
Kelly Lucas, Missouri DOT
Speakers: Mara Campbell, Missouri DOT
Beth Wright, Missouri DOT
This session will provide insight into Missouri DOT’s TRACKER system, which is a tool used to assess how well Missouri DOT delivers products and services to its customers. The discussion will include how various performance measures are selected, information about specific performance measures currently in place, how individual employee performance is tied to TRACKER results, and how TRACKER results are used to make everyday business decisions.

Breakout 3—Innovative Public Outreach: State of the Practice
Moderators: Rick Land, Caltrans
Jerry Colburn, Overland, Pacific and Cutler, Inc.
Speakers: Marnie Primmer, Mobility 21
Don Toner, Texas DOT
This session details the experiences on a California Mega Project that contained multiple local municipal authorities and exercised private partnerships in an effort to expedite this project.

Breakout 4—Data Management Systems, Part 1
Moderator: Dan Smith, Mississippi DOT
Speakers: Gerry Gallinger, Former Washington DOT
Dave Leonard, BEM Systems
Vicki Schofield, AASHTO
This session previews some new and exciting tools and innovative solutions that are being implemented or will be implemented in the very near future. This is a part 1 of a 2-part session. Part 2 is on Thursday at 3:30–5:00 p.m. Breakout Session IX—Regency E.

5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Design Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m. Subcommittee Executive Board Meeting/Breakfast
Executive Board Members Only

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Joint Technical Committee on Pavements Meeting

8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Technical Committee on Non-motorized Transportation Meeting

8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m. BREAKOUT SESSION III

Breakout 1—Right of Way Directors Meeting
Directors Only
Moderator: Matt Delong, Michigan DOT

Breakout 2—Preliminary Right of Way and Utility Cost and Impact Analysis
Moderators: Phil Copeland, Georgia DOT
Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT
Speakers: Florence Green, North Carolina DOT
Drew Markewicz, The RBA Group
This session will provide a historical perspective how the transportation industry perceives the utility process; observations and lessons learned while working “on both sides of the fence” (transportation agencies and utility companies); and the effect the needs and requirements of the respective organizations have on the transportation project and utility process. Examples and tools to improve the transportation and utility coordination process will be presented.
Breakout 3—Looking Beyond the Surface: New Tools to Keep Projects on Track
Moderator: Nelson Smith, Maryland DOT
Speakers: Jim Anspach, J.H. Anspach Consulting
Edgar Kraus, Texas Transportation Institute
This session will examine promising new technologies and processes, like SUE PLUS, available to identify underground structures, and the innovative use of that data, both contributing to the larger goal of finding solutions for utility conflicts and avoiding project delays.

Breakout 4—Research Resources: Analysis and Implementation
Moderator: Keith Platte, AASHTO
Speakers: Mara Campbell, Missouri DOT
David Reynaud, NCHRP
Jon Obenberger, FHWA
This session will provide a basic overview of the research programs available to AASHTO members. It will focus on the description of the programs, the processes, the selection, management, and the implementation efforts of multiple research programs.

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m. Break and Exhibit Area Open

10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSION IV
Breakout 1—Region 1 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Robert Smith, Rhode Island DOT; Nelson Smith, Maryland DOT; and Chuck Schmidt, New Hampshire DOT

Breakout 2—Region 2 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Keith Purvis, Mississippi DOT; Phil Copeland, Georgia DOT; Robert Memory, North Carolina DOT; and Dan Smith, Mississippi DOT

Breakout 3—Region 3 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Jerry Zogg, Wisconsin DOT; Cheryl Cathey, Illinois DOT; and Marilyn Remer, Minnesota DOT

Breakout 4—Region 4 Meeting
Discussion Facilitators: Mark Neidhold, Alaska DOT; Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT; and Lyle McMillan, Utah DOT

Breakout 5—FHWA Design Discipline Meeting
Discussion Facilitator: Jon Obenberger, FHWA
Participation is limited to FHWA employees participating in the Design Discipline's quarterly meeting.

12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Lunch—On Your Own

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSION V
Breakouts 2, 3, and 4 may extend past 2:30 p.m.
Buses will depart from the 4th Street entrance by the elevators.

Breakout 1—Advancing Utility Practices: Research and Development Needs, Priorities, and Opportunities
Moderator: Jon Obenberger, FHWA
This session will review and discuss current and planned utility-related research and technology transfer initiatives. This initial discussion is expected to initiate an ongoing dialog within the highway industry to identify future research and technology transfer needs and initiatives to advance utility practices nationally.

Breakout 2—Field Trip Mississippi River Bridge Project
Andrew Gates, Missouri DOT
Group 1: Departs at 1:00 p.m.
Group 2: Departs at 2:30 p.m.

Breakout 3—Field Trip Diverging Diamond
Lee Hillner, Missouri DOT
Departs at 1:00 p.m.

Breakout 4—Golf Outing
The Courses at Forest Park
Not included in registration fee; additional fee required.
Thursday, May 12, 2011

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast  
Regency CD

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.  Subcommittee Executive Board Meeting/Breakfast  
Executive Board Members Only  
Sterling 6

8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m.  BREAKOUT SESSION VI

Breakout 1—Outdoor Advertising
Moderator: Joyce Musick, Missouri DOT
Speakers: Matt Delong, Michigan DOT  
Janis Gramatins, FHWA
This session will provide information relating to the Outdoor Advertising International Scan as well as provide FHWA’s perspective of current issues relating to outdoor advertising.

Breakout 2—Project Delivery Process
Moderators: Terry Abbott, Caltrans  
Phil Copeland, Georgia DOT  
Rex Harris, Utah DOT
Speakers: John Garner, Florida DOT  
Phil Meis, P.E., Utility Mapping Services, Inc.  
David Polly, Oregon DOT
This session takes a look at the project delivery process from the three aspects of right of way, utilities, and design, and asks the critical question of “What do we need to know about each other’s process by discipline?”

Breakout 3—Every Day Counts
Moderators: Russell McMurray, Georgia DOT  
Florence Green and Robert Memory, North Carolina DOT
Speakers: Virginia Tsu, Realty Specialist, FHWA  
Paul Scott, Cardno TBE  
Russell McMurray, Georgia DOT
This session speaks about FHWA’s initiative Every Day Counts, which is tasked to identify and deploy innovation aimed at shortening project delivery, enhancing the safety of our roadway, and protecting the environment. Every Day Counts is designed to use existing flexibilities in right of way, as well as utilities and design approaches to shorten project delivery.

Breakout 4—DOT Authority and Practices to Provide for Utility Corridors
Moderators: Cheryl Cathey, Illinois DOT  
Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT
Speakers: Marilyn Remer, Minnesota DOT  
Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT  
Dennis Hollahan, Hanson Professional Services, Inc.  
Chuck R. Mueller, Ameren
This session will center on how agencies complete transportation projects quicker, as resources become scarce and the role of utilities on and off right of way changes. DOT’s are now focusing on partnering with utilities to streamline projects and to share resources. DOT and industry representatives speak on innovative ideas in accommodating utilities on right of way and in the land acquisition process.

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m.  Break and Exhibit Area Open  
Regency Foyer

10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  BREAKOUT SESSION VII

Breakout 1—ODA Open Forum—Telesconference Capabilities Available
Moderator: John Garner, Florida DOT
This session will be an open round-table discussion relating to hot topics concerning outdoor advertising. If you are unable to attend in person, states are encouraged to call in as teleconferencing capabilities will be available. The call in number is 1-866-299-7945, Passcode 7101425#.
Breakout 2—Emerging Innovations in Design Build: Overlapping Design, Right of Way Acquisition, Utility Relocation, and Construction Phases in Pursuit of Faster Project Delivery

Moderator: Jay Bennett, P.E., North Carolina DOT
Speakers: David Musser, P.E., Missouri DOT
          Donald C. Toner, Jr., SR/WA, Texas DOT
          Jeff A. Sowers, P.E., Cardno TBE

This session will highlight Missouri’s Safe and Sound Bridge Improvement Program (a safe and cost-effective way to quickly rebuild and rehabilitate Missouri’s highway bridges by 2013), the management of the right of way acquisition and utility adjustment program through comprehensive development agreements by the Texas Turnpike Authority and the Trunk Highway 169/I-494 interchange in the southwestern Minneapolis, Minnesota metro area. Each speaker will discuss project delivery, right of way and utility practices, and the state’s pursuit of faster project completion.

Breakout 3—Multi-level MOU

Moderator: Jeff Baker, Georgia DOT
Speakers: Paul Scott, Cardno TBE
          Alan Hartley, DOT, Adelaide, Australia
          Jeff Tweedie, Maine DOT

This session looks at multi-level MOUs as an approach to identify, prioritize, and resolve major issues in the development of projects with stakeholders in an effort to reach desired outcomes and streamline project delivery.

Breakout 4—Better, Faster, Cheaper: Streamline Project Development/Delivery

Moderator: Keith Purvis, Mississippi DOT
Speakers: Robert Walker, Neel Schaffer, Inc.
          Dan Smith, Mississippi DOT
          Michael Kennerly, Iowa DOT
          David O’Hagan, Florida DOT

This session delves into project delivery and all the issues associated with the process for three unique perspectives: consultant charged with speeding up a fast-tracked project; discussion of an AASHTO survey on how states are moving forward, and the limitations with, streamlining projects; a sharing of the a state process (Florida DOT) and how they have tackled the issue of streamlining projects.

12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Lunch and Presentation

50 Ways to Lose Your Money
David Leighow, FHWA
You can follow the regulations, or you can pay the piper! Here are 50 great ways you can have Federal funds taken back from the project, unless you are willing to say “No” to them.

1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSION VIII

Breakout 1—Developing and Maintaining Critical Core Competencies Use of Internet

Moderators: Lyle McMillan, Utah DOT
            Cheryl Cathey, Illinois DOT
Speaker: Jeff Baker, Georgia DOT
Rick Barnaby, NHI
The focus of this session is how do agencies keep critical staff engaged and maintain their level of competency. This session will discuss cross training and education initiatives from three different viewpoints.

Breakout 2—Alternate Uses of Right of Way

Unanticipated Consequences, Lessons Learned:
Coordination of multiple agencies with oversight of the alternate uses of right of way.

Moderators: Dee Jones, Oregon DOT
            Nelson Smith, Maryland DOT
Speaker: Joe Gray, Oregon DOT
David Leighow, FHWA
Carson Poe, Volpe Center
This session takes a creative look at right of way with a discussion of the accommodation of alternative uses (placing technologies) within highway right of way (such as solar panels and wind turbines); a recap of FHWA’s guidance paper on utilities accommodation within the Interstate right of way and results of our recent peer review.
Breakout 3—Practical Design: How to balance costs
Moderator: Jerry Zogg, Wisconsin DOT
Speakers: Joseph Jones, Missouri DOT
Mike Shea, Missouri DOT
Ron Morris and Brian Kidwell, Missouri DOT
This session will discuss the Missouri DOT approach on practical design, practical operations, and practical innovations in design/build (I–64, KcICON). Each speaker will detail how Missouri DOT addresses the issue of balancing cost with delivery the best project/traveling experience to the public.

3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.  Break and Exhibit Area Open
Regency Foyer

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.  BREAKOUT SESSION IX

Breakout 1—LPA Monitoring and Performance Measurement
Moderators: Matt Delong, Michigan DOT
Cheryl Cathey, Illinois DOT
John Wright, Indiana DOT
Speakers: John Eckhardt, Arizona DOT
Lisa Barnes, O.R. Colan and Associates
Greg Henneke, IN American StructurePoint, Inc.
This session steps through a brief overview of NHI course offerings on local agency oversight and details performance measurement.

Breakout 2—Data Management Systems, Part 2
Moderators: Dan Smith, Mississippi DOT
JoAnn Kurts, Louisiana DOT
Speakers: Larry Ditty, Pennsylvania, DOT
Jim Anspach, J.H. Anspach Consulting
This session previews some new and exciting tools and innovative solutions that are being implemented or will be implemented in the very near future. This is a part 2 of a 2-part session. Part 1 is on Tuesday 3:30–5:00 p.m. Breakout Session II—Regency F.

Breakout 3—Utility and Transportation Projects Bridging the Gap
Moderators: Robert Lee, Alabama DOT
Speakers: Cesar Quiroga, P.E., PhD, Texas Transportation Institute
Chuck Taylor, SHRP2
This session details some early findings from SHRP2 projects and results for various research projects.

7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.  Awards Dinner at the Arch: FHWA Excellence in Utility Accommodation and Design Regional and National Awards
http://www.gatewayarch.com/Arch/
Doors open at 7:00 p.m.; TRAM open 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Friday, May 13, 2011

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
Regency CD

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.  Subcommittee Executive Board Meeting/Breakfast
Executive Board Members Only
Sterling 3

8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.  General Session and Closing
AASHTO TIG Project: UREDMS
Jesse Cooper, RPLS, Texas DOT and Chuck Schmidt, New Hampshire DOT
Regency C

9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.  Design Subcommittee Business Meeting
Design Directors Only
Regency A

9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.  Right of Way and Utilities Subcommittee Business Meeting
Right of Way and Utility Directors Only
Regency B