# Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

RTPO Technical/Policy Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 09, 2019
10AM - 2PM
Shiprock Chapter
NM-64, MP23 - Bldg. 5548
Shiprock, NM

# AGENDA

1.	Call to Order and IntroductionsJeff Irving, NWRTPO Chair, or Dave Deutsawe, Vice Chair
II.	Agenda – Review & Approval
III.	Minutes of 9/11/19 – Review & Approval
ACTIC	ON ITEMS: none this meeting
DISCU	ISSION / PRESENTATION ITEMS:
IV.	Annual Member Survey
V.	LGTPF Funding Awards Process & Schedule?
VI.	Reports, Updates & Announcements:
	RTPO Report: Regional News & Updates
	<ul> <li>NWRTPO Regional Work Program Status Report / Monthly RTPO Staff Report</li> </ul>
	Annual Member Survey: 10 members submitted this year out of 14 who most regularly attended; thanks to our RTPO members for a much better response this year than in previous years!
	<ul> <li>Title VI Training is available to MPO's and RTPO's from Lisa Neie – Civil Rights Manager for FHWA New Mexico. These trainings can be customized to address member concerns and issues for their regions, if provided to her in advance. Based on training length, we could provide it at one of our meetings.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>FHWA Value Capture Webinar Series – commenced in June, completed in November – staff will distribute hard copies</li> </ul>
	UNM-LTAP Training Opportunities
	Local Member Issues, Reports & Updates  NWRTPO Members

# • State DOT Reports

- 1. Planning/Government-to-Government Unit (Neala Krueger)
- 2. Tribal Liaison (Ron Shutiva)
- 3. District 5 (District 5 Staff Stephen Lopez)
- 4. District 6 (District 6 Staff JoAnn Garcia)
- 5. Santa Fe Administration / Central Regional Division

# VII. New Business/Open Floor - Members & Guests

Gadiahii Chapter project presentation – Chapter Leaders and Larry Joe

# VIII. Review Calendar & Announcements / Training & Funding Opportunities:

- FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty / Human Environment Digest: Weeks of 9/03/19, 9/09/19, 9/23/19, and 9/25/19 emailed to members as they came out
- Govt. to Govt. Updates: Week of 9/09/19 emailed to members as they came out.
- AASHTO Publications Updates: Weeks of 9/05/19, 9/12/19, 9/20/19 and 9/20/19 (two separate reports on the same date) emailed as they came out.
- LGTPF Awards Public Notice: RTPO staff provided a public notice template sent to members on August 20, with another reminder on August 27 to thank our Governor and State Legislators via newspaper or radio. The only members who sent a copy of public notice to this effect was Mr. Siow of the Pueblo of Laguna and Mr. Jaramillo of the City of Grants (!!!) The total award from the state to our region was over \$12 million dollars (!!!!) that's almost three times what our region receives from the federal government on a biennial basis! It's not too late at this point for any of us to still get a public notice appreciating our state leaders, for providing this funding opportunity! Staff also understand that some of you may indeed have gotten out a public notice, but please send staff a copy (via email), so we can have a record of our appreciation for the northwest part of the state in which we all reside!
- <u>NMDOT / UNM-LTAP</u>: Provides a very robust collection of training opportunities staff forward news to members as it comes out from this source reference at <u>ltap.unm.edu</u>
- <u>Tribal Safety Summit:</u> November 21-22, 2019; Institute of American Indian Arts 83 Avon Nu Po Rd., Santa Fe.
- TTAP Safety Training Oct. 15 18: BIA Southwest Regional Office 1001 Indian School Road, Albuquerque
- <u>Transportation Research Board Webinar</u>: Understanding and using Census Data for Tribal Transportation October 17 3:00 4:30 pm Mountain Time.
- Annual RTPO Member Survey: As of September 30, eight RTPO members have responded on Survey Monkey, and two other members responded directly via email to the hard copy survey emailed out. That's 10 out of 14 members who regularly attended meetings – the best response we've had in years!
- <u>US DOT announces \$321.4 million in "Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects"</u>: (NSFLTP) this funding will support maintenance repair or new construction for roads and bridges serving tribal or federal lands.
   <u>https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/fhwa1519</u>
- National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Impact Award: The NWNMCOG will receive an "Impact Award" from NADO at the 2019 NADO Annual Training Conference, for the ongoing development of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains of McKinley and Cibola Counties; this is the only award to New Mexico.

# IX. Next Meetings:

- November 13: Milan Parks & Recreation Office, 409 Airport Road, Milan, N.M.
- December 11: Ramah Navajo Chapter, 434 BIA Rt. 125 4 miles south of NM53 intersection, Pine Hill, N.M.
- January 8, 2020: Cibola Convention Center, 515 High Street, Grants, N.M.

## X. Adjournment:

Motion: Second:



# **NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization**

Joint Policy & Technical Committee NWRTPO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday September 11, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Acoma Tribal Auditorium 33 Pinsbaari Drive, Pueblo of Acoma, NM

# ATTENDANCE:

# **Local & Tribal Governments:**

Pueblo of Acoma Vice Chair – Dave Deutsawe

Pueblo of Laguna Gaylord Siow
Pueblo of Zuni Royce Gchachu,

Navajo Nation Eastern Navajo: Larry Joe – absent (emailed report)

Northern Navajo: Larry Joe – absent (emailed report)

Ramah Navajo Shane Lewis

Farmington MPO Vacant at this time

City of Grants Don Jaramillo

City of Gallup Stan Henderson, Alicia Santiago - absent Village of Milan Jack Moleres, Denise Baca – absent

Cibola County Judy Horacek
McKinley County Chair – Jeff Irving

San Juan County Scott Martin, Nick Porell - absent

# **Technical Agencies:**

Govt. to Govt. Liaison: Neala Krueger

**DOT District 5: Steve Lopez** 

DOT District 6: Marticia Holliday, Bill Santiago

DOT Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva

DOT - Admin:

# **NWRTPO Administration:**

Northwest Regional Planning Organization: Robo

**Robert Kuipers** 

**Guests:** 

 Elouise Johnson, Louise Gleason – Twin Lakes Chapter, Monica Felipe – Acoma, Angeline McCray, Paulene McCabe – Manuelito Chapter, Roselyn John – Chichiltah

Chapter, Priscilla Lee – Navajo DOT

**TOTAL ATTENDANCE:** 

7 Members, 0 alternate members, 5 NMDOT, 1 RTPO Staff,

7 guests - TOTAL: 20

- ı.
  - Mr. Irving called the meeting to order at 10:15 am, welcomed those in attendance, and proceeded with introductions and approval of agenda and minutes. The meeting was hosted by the Pueblo of Acoma with special thanks for coffee, snacks and lunch provided.
- II.
  - Motion to Approve: Don Jaramillo Grants; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gaylord Siow Laguna; all in favor, none opposed.
- III. Approval and Review of Minutes for 8/14/19 meeting: ......Jeff Irving - RTPO Chair
  - Motion to Approve: Dave Deutsawe Acoma; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Royce Gchachu Zuni, all in favor, none opposed.

**ACTION ITEMS:** none this meeting

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

IV. Annual Member Survey......Robert Kuipers

# BACKGROUND

- Why? On an annual basis the NWRTPO conducts a survey to gauge the quality of program services and consider new priorities going forward
- Purpose. Staff seek to refine and improve RTPO management for local government transportation services and infrastructure development along with supporting cross-jurisdictional collaboration in the NWRTPO three county / four tribe region
- Discussion/Finalization. Members will be provided the survey via hard copy and survey monkey

#### **CURRENT WORK**

Provide survey options so members can complete and submit no later than 9/30/19

# **ANTICIPATED WORK**

Staff will summarize survey results and provide back to members and DOT staff in October

# **ATTACHMENTS**

FFY2019 Member Survey Form

# **BUDGET IMPACT**

None.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

N/A. Based on member feedback, staff will consider and develop recommendations for FFY2020

Discussion: RTPO staff provided a summary of annual survey responses from 8 members who submitted out of 14 members / alt. members who regularly attended meetings. Requested that more members who regularly attended meetings respond by the end of September.

V.

# **BACKGROUND**

- Why? Rural areas and small towns in New Mexico are suffering with deteriorating infrastructure, including transportation needs, with inadequate funding to even maintain what they have, never mind developing new infrastructure
- Purpose. This fund was established by the state to address rural needs in the area of transportation, to compliment the Local Govt. Road Fund and help ensure that our small towns and rural areas can support local transportation infrastructure including that which does not qualify for federal funding.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** NWRTPO members have pursued this opportunity with a short time frame.

#### **CURRENT WORK**

RTPO members have submitted applications to fund local projects thru this source. They can apply the
funding to those cited in the RTIPR, or for other / new local roads or infrastructure, with justification
for the local need. RTPO and DOT staff will clarify as needed the process going forward.

## **ANTICIPATED WORK**

RTPO members have completed their applications, including PFF and PPF submissions, along with
project maps, supporting resolutions or letters from their leadership. These have now been awarded
funding based on NMDOT Transportation Commission selection at their August meeting. The statewide
MPO's and RTPO's will await guidance for implementing projects as this funding rolls out.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

LGTPF Awarded Projects from the Transportation Commission.

# **BUDGET IMPACT**

• This fund will add capacity for local priorities, including those that don't qualify for federal funding

# **ACTION ITEM**

N/A.

#### Discussion:

- This was a rare occasion where RTPO staff scolded RTPO members for the lack of appreciation expressed in local newspapers or radio media. RTPO staff put out a number of reminders and a public notice template, urging members to appreciate our state leaders in local media for this funding opportunity which provided two to three times the funding we get from the federal government every two years! Out of 12 member governments only two (Laguna and Grants) got articles into local newspapers, and one other (Cibola County) submitted to their newspaper. Staff recommended that the rest of the members use the public notice template and modify it as they choose, to get a public notice into their newspaper or radio media, thanking our state governor and legislative leaders for creating this fund, which provided just over \$12 million to our northwest region. Our new transportation commissioner Charles Lundstrom did a great job of equitably spreading the funding to most of the RTPO member governments and the Farmington MPO as well.
- Ron Shutiva NMDOT Tribal Liaison indicated that LGTPF contractual agreement templates are anticipated next week from NMDOT. Ron suggested that many of our member governments need to exercise better communication with the state; Navajo Nation for example has provided no response to state inquiries regarding funded capital outlay projects that have been "sitting on the shelf" for too long. Ron also suggested that tribal leaders should challenge the state for not being eligible to apply for the matching fund waiver on the LGTPF funding, and inform the N.M. Indian Affairs committee of this as well.
- There was also much discussion around the accelerated time frame for this funding our local governments need to "stay on their toes" to meet deadlines as this funding roles out. There were quite a number of guests at today's meeting from Navajo Chapters with interest in the roll out of this funding.

# VI. Reports, Updates & Announcements:

#### **BACKGROUND**

- Why? Update RTPO members on news, training, funding, and other items of special interest
- Purpose. Keep RTPO members up to date on critical information from NWRTPO and NMDOT sources

## Informational Items

#### **Regional News & Updates**

- Regional Work Program Status Report
- RTPO Report
- Member Reports

# **Member Special Reports:**

None submitted prior to the meeting

## **NMDOT Reports:**

- G to G Liaison: Neala Krueger
- Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva
- District 6: JoAnn Garcia & staff; District 5: Steve Lopez
- DOT Planning Unit Govt. to Govt. Weekly Updates

# **News, Training & Funding Opportunities:**

- <u>FHWA Office of Planning, Environment & Realty / Human Environment Digest</u>: Weeks of 8/11/19 and 8/25/19 emailed to members as they came out
- Govt. to Govt. Updates: Week of 8/20/19 emailed to members as they came out.
- AASHTO Publications Updates: Weeks of 8/15/19, 8/19/19, 8/23/19 and 8/30/19 emailed as they came out.
- Reference Section VIII <u>Calendar and Announcements</u> for information on news, training and funding opportunities

# New Business / Open Floor:

None requested in advance of this meeting

# A. RTPO Report - August 2019

- Reports attached for August RTPO report along with RWP Status Report. Of significance in the past month were the LGTPF Call for Projects which resulted in the provision of just over \$12 million in very equitably distributed amounts to most of our applying local governments within the RTPO and FMPO, with much appreciation to our new Transportation Commissioner Charles Lundstrom. Also at our June meeting, for the first time in the history of both organizations the NWRTPO met with the Farmington MPO for a brief period of introductions, and discussion around future opportunities to mutually fund projects that benefit citizens within both the FMPO and NWRTPO regions.
- FHWA Planning, Environment and Realty Reports, NMDOT Planning Govt. to Govt. Reports, and AASHTO Publication Updates are regularly forwarded to members as they come out.

## B. Local Member Reports & Updates:

- 1. Pueblo of Acoma:
  - CMGC 2 Projects: (request for proposals for this new bundle of projects was published 2/10/19)
  - CMGC2-1 Transportation Office Complex Design is complete. The old EDA building has been abated and is now 90% demolished, and a new building will be built to take its place.
  - CMGC2-2 SP130 Veterans Blvd. Design is complete. Ready to issue Notice to Proceed. Have held stakeholder meetings with schools, service providers and the ACL Hospital to inform them of the construction schedule and traffic control plan. Full depth construction has begun with completion anticipated for December.
  - CMGC2- 3 Baseball Fields Design is complete; waiting on prairie dog removal before Notice to Proceed is approved and issued – now anticipated to delay construction until the Spring of 2020.
  - CMGC2-4 FEMA 4352 Large Projects (39) 10 projects have been completed; work began in the southern regions of the Pueblo. All projects to be completed by June, 2020.
  - The Pueblo is continuing on the update to their Long-Range Transportation Plan; anticipate completion by September, 2019; WH Pacific will do traffic analysis counts to contribute to the Pueblo's LRTP. The Pueblo is also updating their Transportation Safety Plan at this time. Dave Deutsawe attended the recent Tribal Safety Peer Exchange.
  - FEMA 4352: Small Projects: Recovery work has begun; the POA Public Works / Utility Authority was awarded the small projects (64) at \$2.2 million capital investment. 25 projects have been completed; 40 projects remain anticipating completion by March, 2020.
  - The Pueblo met with Cibola County on shared corridors needing maintenance and discussed right of way from I40 exit 100 to San Fidel with regard to whether this is Pueblo of County ROW?
  - The Pueblo is looking at housing and economic development opportunities along Pinsbaari Drive, as it receives improvements.
  - A TTAP survey was recently conducted and is now providing feedback to tribes nationally.
  - Sept. 2 is Acoma Feast day all RTPO members invited.
  - LGRF: The Pueblo submitted its Tribal Resolution and signed Cooperative Agreements for the recent funds.

- LGTPF: The Pueblo's to priority project SP130 Veteran's Blvd. received funding thru the LGTPF.
- Capital Outlay: The Pueblo signed and returned all IGA's to NM Indian Affairs Dept. Waiting on release of funding to commence the work.

## 2. Pueblo of Zuni:

- Royce is now also the Airport Manager. Receipt of FAA grant agreement for developing an Airport Master Plan
  for the Andrew Othole Memorial (AOM) Airport. The master plan will be developed by the Pueblo's airport
  consultant Armstrong Consultant's, Inc., and tomorrow is the kickoff for the Master Plan development.
- August 21 the Pueblo will meet with NMDOT for NM53 MP 16-18 repairs.
- The Pueblo continues to update its long-range transportation plan.
- Road crews continue demolishing the Zuni Senior Citizen facility, which was flooded, leading to condemnation
  of the facility due to mold and an unsafe facility.
- Contacted the LTAP representative for heavy equipment training to take place October 28 November 1, 2019
- The Pueblo held a meeting with Cibola County for County Road 32.

# 3. McKinley County:

- The County is finishing their Local Govt. Road Fund projects including the Thoreau Town Site project, for which the County has rented a milling machine. Certifications are complete for all LGRF projects and the County is requesting an extension till Spring 2020 to complete maintenance construction.
- TIF: \$1.2 million awarded for 10 miles of Deer Springs Road improvement project on hold until Spring of 2020 for Mexican Springs Chapter. NDOT is contributing Fuel Excise Tax funding. Funding will allow drainage improvements, five miles of gravel base improvement and three miles of chip-seal.
- TIF: \$1.3 million awarded for 18 miles of CR19 road improvement multiple Eastern Navajo Chapters; collaborating with NDOT for road repairs and renovation. NDOT is contributing Fuel Excise Tax funding. Project has commenced this month.
- The County is working on roads stabilization in the McGaffey areas.
- Jeff has a new cell phone and members / staff can contact him at 505-879-1159.

# 4. Gallup:

- Veterans Cemetery Access Road: Construction completed 5/17/19; Dedication and Opening Ceremony occurred May 27 - Memorial Day, with attendance from Federal, State, and local dignitaries. The project is in close out with the contractor.
- NMDOT presented the final Gallup Transportation Safety Plan to the City Council on August 13; where it was approved and authorized for implementation.
- The East Nizhoni Blvd. Reconstruction project was awarded LGTPF funding.
- NM118 watershed study awaiting close out with NMDOT
- The city approved and signed agreements and resolutions were forwarded to DOT Dist. 6 for execution related to:
  - MAP / COOP Coal Avenue Commons project Wilson & Co. has design at 90%; fully executed agreement was issued on July 19, 2019
  - Legislative appropriation: Coal Ave. Commons project and West Aztec Ave. drainage. Fully executed agreements were issued on July 10 for both projects. Wilson & Co. working on design for Coal Ave.
  - COOP Agreement for FFY2020 was forwarded to NMDOT Dist. 6 although the supporting resolution was issued after the 7/23 City Council meeting.

# 5. Milan: not present this meeting – previous report as follows:

- Motel Drive project continues, obtained extension through October 12 some blacktop failure is under review
- Coop funded project for drainage behind Allsups design complete, project out to bid for construction soon
- · Sand Street bridge in design
- Mirabol Park design complete Village is pursuing funding for both projects
- Haystack project Utility and parking for Elkins Park is out to bid

## 6. Ramah::

- BIA Projects Update:
  - o BIA 125 mp 18 24.6 power line clearances have been obtained along with final plans for design
  - BIA 125 MP O 4.4 Developing an updated cultural resources report to include a drainage pond and submitted a resolution for easement withdrawal; awaiting approval from NNHPO on the updated cultural report clearances.
  - o BIA 195: submitted ROW documents to RN Realty Office
  - o BIA 145 and BIA 113; Study reports will be completed soon with proposed alignments and costs to develop design documents; awaiting draft reports for review.
- Submitted a resolution for Coop Agreement for Local Govt. Road Fund support under legal review from tribal officials.
- Received a new John Deere Tractor and CAT Backhoe for roadway construction and maintenance.
- Assisting with RN Community Dev. Dept. for the Navajo Nation Rural Addressing Project
- Road crew attended the first Heavy Equipment Training hosted by UNM-LTAP in Taos, NM.
- Ongoing general maintenance for area roads, cattle guards and signage, blading and shaping, potholes and base course patching (incl. school bus routes). Cleaning and replacing roadway signs. Field fence repairs, post replacements and gate repairs. Maintenance more demanding this Winter season due to frequent and heavy snow fall.

# 7. Cibola County: not present this meeting – previous report as follows:

- ZMTP RTP trail project is funded for FFY2019 construction may have to wait until Spring of 2020.
- CR-18B and CR1 road / bridge projects are current priorities. CR-18B awarded LGTPF funding.
- Still catching up on last year's funded projects with reduced staff, along with past weather delays.
- 60% encumbered on Capital Outlay projects.
- The County is obtaining some additional heavy equipment for transportation at this time.

# 8. Grants: Not present this meeting previous report as follows:

- Riverwalk trail: Design at 100% from WHPacific, Bids opened May 3 and the project was awarded in June ground breaking ceremony scheduled for Monday Sept. 16.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Street phase 2 Washington to Adams underway, design at 90%, working on utility / environmental / ROW and Railroad certifications; out to bid and anticipating phase 3 construction for June Sept., 2019.
- First Street phase 3 Adams to Roosevelt: design at 100%, construction starts next week; added a pond and lift station on Geis Street for drainage; allotted \$1.6 million from 2019 state legislature.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street phase 4 (Washington to Adams) and phase 5 (Adams to Roosevelt): phase 4 funded at \$1,640,573 from DOT; phase 5 the City is committing around \$1 million. Design at 100%, all cert.s and PS&E complete in May, 2019 construction is now halfway complete.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Channel and Shared Loop drainage / trail project will include two bridges to the High School; these box culverts are now complete.

# 9. Pueblo of Laguna:

- The Pueblo is pursuing an FHWA grant to develop a Pueblo-wide (all Villages / roads) Safety Plan and will be seeking data sources identifying various crash incidents, and high crash incident locations; may need assistance from the RTPO or DOT with analyzing crash data. The Pueblo has a number of State Routes, where high speeds impact upon more fatal crashes.
- NM 124 Trail- Paraje to the Kawaika Center, a bike/ped path: Construction is 100% complete. Contractor is completing final punch list items for project close out. NMDOT mistakenly assigned this project to Pueblo of Acoma, causing progress reporting problems to Laguna, which is now mitigated with an extension.
- NM 124 Trail- Encinal Road to St. Rd. 279, a bike/ped path: The Construction Management services firm
  selected is Bohannan Huston Inc. Contract documents for construction bidding is complete, project was
  advertised for bids and the Pueblo received concurrence from FHWA on 9/3 to accept its recommendation of
  award.
- <u>L26 Rainfall Road from Cubero Wash to Seama bridge M108</u>: Notice to proceed was issued to Sierra Valley Construction; construction now in progress at 15% complete.
- M137 bridge at Laguna to Laguna Subdivision: Construction is complete. Closing out project with the BIA.

- Mill, Overlay, Striping & Enhancements Project: for L503 Veterans Memorial Rd, L200 Postal Road and L245 Raindrop Road. Construction is complete and the Pueblo is closing out the project.
- BIA Road Maintenance Striping Project: Routes-L22 Casa Blanca Road, L500 Central Park Rd, L200 Twin Lakes
   Rd, L200 Old Bridge Rd, L200 Porkchop Hill Rd and L200 Elizabeth Bender Rd. The project was awarded L500 roads to begin soon; L22 and L200 roads to commence in October.
- NM 124 Roundabout: The repairs to the roundabout are being coordinated by NMDOT, no start date has been determined.
- <u>L24 Rainfall Road</u>: design changed to two phases, Ph-1 Road & Trail and Ph-2 Conc Box Underpass, design is in progress and construction funded for \$1.9 million from the LGTPF fund!
- L26 Deer Dancer Road: at 100% design, working on ROW amendments and E.A.
- L243 Acorn Road design: completed 100% design and PS&E review from the BIA. Construction pending funding.
- M154 Paguate Wash Bridge: PER In progress
- M108 San Jose River Bridge-Seama: PS&E complete and ROW amendments approved; pending items include EA, FONSI and NOI. The Engineer of Record will update Estimate, for submission to BIA for construction funding.
- Planning and Design Request for Proposal: RFP for design services published for L248 Bluejay Road and L248 Blue Star Loop, proposals were received and reviewed; recommended award to design firm is complete and will be presented to Tribal Council for approval.
- The Pueblo's Safety Plan is completed.

# 10. Northern Navajo:

- NMDOT Safety Projects:
  - o 1. Hwy 64 Grant BUILD application was submitted on July 15, 2019 for highway reconstruction. Pending on announcement of Awards.
  - 2. Shiprock Chapter/Navajo DOT in coordination with NMDOT on safety project at Hwy 64 west of Hwy 491/64 intersection. Project on NM NWRTPO List. NM STIP 2023.
  - o 3. Beclabito Chapter/NDOT on safety project on Hwy 64 at MP 3.0-3.5 for street lighting. In planning stage with NMDOT Dist. 5.
  - 4. TseDaaKaan Chapter/NDOT safety project to improve Hwy 64 & N5031 Intersection. Project on NM NWRTPO list. Application was updated and submitted for HSIP funding. NM STIP 2021.
  - o 5. San Juan Chapter Bridge project connecting N36 to Hwy 64 near Hogback. The feasibility studies were completed by contractor, Wilson & Company. This project would involve coordination with NM DOT and NM State Representative State Representative, Anthony Allison and other State Legislatures to obtain additional funding for preliminary engineering studies and clearances and design.
  - o 6. Upperfruitland Chapter Safety Project at Hwy 371 & N36 Intersection for improvement. This Project was awarded through NM Capital Outlay fund to start on Design and Construction. Wilson & Company is assigned to complete the design. Navajo Gaming assisted with advocacy of funding request. Assigned San Juan County, NM as lead agency to implement the project.
  - o 7. Sheep Springs Chapter is working on safety project to improve intersection at Hwy 491/134, to reduce traffic crashes and pedestrian cross walks. Pending with NMDOT District 6.
- Road Safety Audit funding awarded to Twin Lakes, Mexican Springs and Tohatchi Chapters through the LGTPF funding opportunity from the State of New Mexico.
- Local Govt. Road Fund awards to Navajo Chapter Projects as follows:
  - Sheep Springs Chapter awarded \$50K for improvements to N5002
  - o Gadiahii-Tokoi Chapter awarded \$200K for improvements to N571
  - Preliminary planning in progress for a number of school bus routes around Little Water Chapter awarded \$60K for improvements – including TR4925, TR5313, N5016, N5005, and N5092.

#### 11. Eastern Navajo:

• 2019 Road Projects from N.M. Capital Outlay:

- C6193360 D3360 Navajo Nation CR 9 IMPROVE ROCK SPRINGS CHP
- C6193361 D3361 Navajo Nation NAVAJO RTS 52 & 98 IMPROVE NAHODISHGISH CHP
- C6193362 D3362 Navajo Nation RED WILLOW RD IMPROVE MARIANO LAKE CHP
- C6193363 D3363 Navajo Nation W TSAYATOH & SUNSET VALLEY ROADS TSAYATOH CHP
- C6193372 D3372 Navajo Nation TSE DE TAH SPRING RD SURVEY
- C6193373 D3373 Navajo Nation RED LAKE CHP ROAD DRAIN & UTLTY IMPROVE
- Bread Springs (Baahaali) Chapter awarded LGTPF funding at \$281.5 K to construct their waste transfer station access road.
- Ongoing attention from Eastern Navajo for the NM118 corridor between Rehoboth and Church Rock, around both traffic safety, road capacity expansion, economic development opportunities, and multi-modal safety options. Also a watershed study has been conducted for the NM118 corridor between Church Rock and Iyanbito to address and mitigate periodic and costly flooding of I-40 and NM118, leaving up to a foot or more of sediment on the roads, for which the DOT has to take emergency fix measures to clear these roads as quickly as possible. Wilson & Co. is working with NDOT to design roadway lighting along this corridor, and Navajo Gaming Enterprise and Church Rock Chapter have secured capital outlay funding to fund this lighting project
- Rock Springs Chapter has been awarded capital outlay funding to design improvements to the Chee Dodge School access road and intersection safety improvements.

# 12) San Juan County: (previous report)

• The Glade Run Trails received funding from the state.

# C) State DOT Reports:

- 1. Planning / Govt. to Govt. Unit Liaison Neala Krueger:
  - The final RSA report for the 2nd and 3rd Street rail crossings for Gallup is complete. District 6, Planning, and Stakeholders have an electronic copy of the Final RSA.
  - Gallup Transportation Safety Plan was approved and adopted by the City Council at their August 13 meeting.
     NMDOT priorities/study efforts are:
    - o I-40 at US-491 (Phase A/B) in approx. FFY 2020.
    - o NM-118/Route 66 Corridor (Phase A/B) in approx. FFY 2021.
    - o I-40 Pedestrian Deterrent (RSA) in two years.
  - RWP amendment requests for Q4 are due by Sept. 15
  - The NMDOT Legal Team is in the process of drafting a Rule for the LGTPF funding with the intention to
    provide more guidance and help streamline the application process should funding be appropriated in future
    years.
  - As statewide RTPOs consider Regional Transportation Plan updates during FFY2019 2020, be looking for major opportunities to include in your plans that may incorporate economic, better multi-mobility, traffic congestion, and better planned community benefits.

## 2. NMDOT Tribal Liaison - Ron Shutiva:

- Ron reported on the NM118 drainage analysis going on around and between the lyanbito and Ft. Wingate
  I-40 intersections. Need follow up on NM118 drainage study Vincent Steiner is the lead Engineer for
  Bohannan Huston. Ron indicated that stronger participation and response is needed from the Navajo Nation.
  This is retained from the August report so Navajo Nation members can pay attention / be reminded.
- Ron continues to look for funding opportunities from State and Federal sources. Ron reminded RTPO
  members that data is increasingly needed to justify transportation funding requests.
- Ron's office is now within the executive state DOT office no longer at the Planning Division.
- Tribal Safety Summit will take place Nov. 21 22, 2019, at the Institute of American Indian Arts 83 Avan Nu Po Road, Santa Fe, NM. Presently gaining statewide concerns to address from the Tribes. Major foci will include DUI, speeding and cross jurisdictional collaboration around cooperative agreements.
- There was some discussion during Ron's presentation around TIF (*Tribal Infrastructure Fund*) from the Indian Affairs Dept. vs. DOT funding from the Transportation Dept. Ron reminded members that these are two separate departments within the state, and each has its own policy regarding funding disbursement and management.

# 3. DOT District 5 – Steve Lopez:

- WHPacific is being contracted for a study on needed road and intersection improvements on US 64 MP 0 20 (which includes the Shiprock School Zone). This project will be divided into two phases funded separately and in the Dist. 5 HSIP plan for 2021 including a) primary / major Chapter or community intersections from Shiprock to the Arizona border and b) the Shiprock School Zone.
- The NM371 and N36 intersection near Northern Edge Casino is at 60% design; need ROW clearance / easement from NDOT.
- The District is looking at the need to replace the aging Shiprock San Juan River bridge.

# 4. DOT District 6 - Marticia Holliday, Bill Santiago:

#### THIS MEETING:

For Local Govt. Road Fund projects – the District needs certifications for all projects – many RTPO members
are not following LGRF guidance for project development and are trying to close out projects without having
reported progress to the DOT or following what the program requires – this could jeopardize funding, and
DOT Dist. 6 urges follow up with their staff (!!!!) Have contractors apply to be on the State list as pre-qualified
contractors. Using a non-state-qualified contractor could also jeopardize project funding!

# VII. New Business / Open Floor – Members & Guests:

None for this meeting

# VIII. Review Calendar & Announcements:

- NWRTPO / FMPO Coordinated Public Transit Plan: emailed to members 8/2/19; public comment period ended August 30 for the NWRTPO and FMPO region.
- NMDOT / UNM-LTAP: Provides a very robust collection of training opportunities staff forward news to members as it comes out from this source reference at <a href="https://linear.ncbi.nlm
- Tribal Safety Summit: November 21-22, 2019; Institute of American Indian Arts—83 Avon Nu Po Rd., Santa Fe.
- <u>Innovation Exchange Webinar Value Capture for Local Agencies</u>: covering how transportation development
  can leverage the value of local property thus creating more infrastructure investment appeal to funding
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- <u>LGTPF Awards Public Notice</u>: RTPO staff <u>provided a public notice template</u> sent to members on August 20, with another reminder on August 27 to thank our Governor and State Legislators via newspaper or radio. Only 3 of our member governments attempted to provide this public notice to date, including Grants, Laguna, and Cibola County. It's not too late at this point for any of us to still get a public notice <u>appreciating our state leaders</u>, for providing this funding opportunity! Staff also understand that some of you may indeed have gotten out a public notice, but please send staff a copy (via email), so we can have a record of our appreciation for the northwest part of the state in which we all reside!
- Annual RTPO Member Survey: As of September 2, only seven RTPO members have responded to the survey

   at least on Survey Monkey; staff are aware of several other members who responded directly via email to
   the hard copy survey emailed out. Please respond to the survey even if you're an alternate member who
   attends meetings once in a while.
- FHWA Change Order Training: Scheduled for September 18 at NMDOT Headquarters 1120 Cerrillos Road in Santa Fe; correct registration form emailed to members on 8/27/19 with appreciation to Steve Lopez.
- <u>US DOT Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Transportation Technology (T3) Webinar</u>: scheduled for Sept. 5, 11:00 am ~ 12:30 pm our time (1pm – 2:30 pm Eastern Time) – emailed to members 8/20/19.
- <u>US DOT announces \$321.4 million in "Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects"</u>: (NSFLTP) this
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- National Transportation in Indian Country Conference: forwarded from Royce Gchachu on June 12 emailed to members (with apologies!) from Bob K. on July 2; conference takes place in Big Sky, Montana Sept. 16 – 19.
- Intelligent Transportation Systems Professional Capacity Building Update: emailed to members 8/20/19
- <u>NM Economic Development "Fund It" Announcement:</u> emailed to members 8/20/19 applications due Sept. 13 include transportation infrastructure; a potential matching fund from our State, for federal funded projects?

<u>National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Impact Award:</u> The NWNMCOG will receive an
"Impact Award" from NADO at the 2019 NADO Annual Training Conference, for the ongoing development of
recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains of McKinley and Cibola Counties; this is the only award to New
Mexico.

# IX. Next Meetings:

- Oct. 9: Shiprock Chapter, US Hwy 64, milepost 23 Bidg. 5548, Shiprock, NM
- Nov. 13: Milan Parks & Recreation Office, 409 Airport Road, Milan, NM
- Dec. 11: Ramah Chapter, 434 BIA Rt. 125 off NM53 intersection, Pine Hill, NM

# X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm: motion – Gaylord Siow, Laguna; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dave Deutsawe, Acoma; all in favor - none opposed. Appreciation to the Pueblo of Acoma for refreshments and lunch!

# **MEETING ACTIONS:**

#### **RTPO Members:**

- With a broad and fair distribution of funding to most of our local governments for the LGTPF Local Government
   Transportation Project Fund Grant Opportunity; members are requested to: a) credit and thank your
   jurisdiction's state legislative representatives (House & Senate) in writing from your top leaders, b) plan and
   gear up to execute the projects effectively and efficiently within timelines as funding becomes available, c)
   issue a press release for each funded project that appreciates the state administration for the funding, and
   summarizes the transportation and other benefits it will provide to citizens of the surrounding region.
- Follow up with your respective NMDOT Districts on LGRF projects, as DOT District 6 is discovering that many of our local governments have serious deficiencies in the required process for executing the projects, which could jeopardize their funding.

#### **RTPO Staff:**

- Assist as needed on process, information, or DOT guidance for Local Government Transportation Project Fund (LGTPF); follow up with members on progress, provide Special Call for Projects Guide to RTPO members.
- Ongoing: Distribute the schedule developed that provides annual or multi-year deadlines for all RTPO
  deliverables including reports quarterly and annual, RTIPR Call for Projects cycle, Regional Work Program
  updates or amendments, and governing document updates (*Bylaws, Open Meetings Act Resolution, Title VI Plan, Public Participation Plan, Official Membership Roster*)
- Continue to update the Reg. Trans. Plan tracker instrument and pursue relevant information.
- Maintain appointment forms as members transition.
- Keep an eye on federal funding for public transportation, and inform our regional 5310 & 5311 providers and RTPO members of any pending changes

# **NMDOT Staff:**

- Continue to press for LTAP "cradle to grave" comprehensive project development training.
- Assist in arranging a presentation on the new HSIP process.
- Continue to assist with information on the latest Transportation Bill, and the NMDOT Funding Formula.
- Technical assistance with locating data sets for RTP performance measures.



Thanks to Pueblo of Acoma for hospitality



# NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

# Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

# Agenda Item #IV: Annual Member Survey

Subject: Annual RTPO member survey of program services and priorities

Prepared for: August 14, 2019 RTPO meeting with a September 30 deadline

Date: Sept. 30, 2019

## **BACKGROUND**

- Why? On an annual basis the NWRTPO conducts a survey to gauge the quality of program services and consider new priorities going forward
- Purpose. Staff seek to refine and improve RTPO management for local government transportation services and infrastructure development along with supporting crossjurisdictional collaboration in the NWRTPO three county / four tribe region
- **Discussion/Finalization.** Members will be provided the survey via hard copy and survey monkey

# **CURRENT WORK**

Staff received 8 surveys via Survey Monkey and 2 surveys via email by 9/30/19. This
represents 10 out of 14 members who regularly attended meetings – the best response in a
long time.

# **ANTICIPATED WORK**

Staff will summarize survey results and provide back to members and DOT staff in October.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

• FFY2019 Member Survey Form

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

None.

## **ACTION ITEM**

 N/A. Based on member feedback, staff will consider and develop recommendations for FFY2020

# **Survey Monkey Responses:**

# 1) Training attended during FFY2019 (Oct. 2018 – Sept. 2019)

UNM-LTAP / TTAP: Local Tech. Asst. /Tribal Tech. Asst. Prgm.	<ul> <li>LTAP Grant Writing Training – 6/12/19_2 members</li> <li>TTAP Into to Hwy Construction Inspection – 7/16/19</li> <li>TTAP Const. Contract Admin. / Force Account Work – 7/19/19</li> <li>T/LPA Handbook Training – March, 2019_3 members</li> <li>TTAP Safety Plan Development – June, 2019_2 members</li> <li>Project Mgmt., Contractor Selection, Innovative Financing</li> </ul>
National Highway Institute:	
FHWA Fed. Hwy Admin.:	<ul> <li>2 CFR200 Training – May, 2019</li> <li>Change Order Training – Sept./2019</li> <li>FHWA TTP Southwest Workshop</li> </ul>
Other:	<ul> <li>National Transportation in Indian Country Conf. – 9/15-19/19</li> <li>CMGC (Const. Mgr. / Gen Contractor)</li> <li>FEMA: Grants mgmt, Pre-disaster Assessments, Interagency mgmt, Document handling &amp; retention</li> <li>Environmental Permits, certifications and licenses</li> <li>Emergency Relief Projects</li> <li>NMDOT LGRF Handbook</li> </ul>

NOTE: Most respondents did not indicate the source of the training – therefore staff can not indicate whether any of the trainings cited in the "Other" category came from FHWA or NHI

# 2) Interest for RTPO Orientation in upcoming year:

Local Government:	In compliance until:	Local Government:	In compliance until:
San Juan County	5/29/20	Northern Navajo	1/15/21
McKinley County	5/08/20	Eastern Navajo	1/15/21
Cibola County	9/27/20	Pueblo of Acoma	4/27/20
Gallup	2/27/20	Pueblo of Laguna	6/09/20
Grants	3/05/20	Pueblo of Zuni	4/10/21
Milan	4/11/20	Ramah Navajo	3/26/20

• All eight (8) responses indicated a high preference for an orientation in the upcoming year (FFY2020)

# 3) Rate RTPO Services over the FFY2019 Period:

Rating	Comments:
✓ Excellent	3 – staff provide good guidance on regional & statewide events, and advocate to bring training and funding opportunities.
✓ Good	5 – organized and informational – excellent collaboration
✓ Fair	
✓ Needs Improvement	

# 4) Presentations of Interest at RTPO meetings Going Forward:

- · Cradle to Grave project phased development training
- Project Development on Tribal Lands
- Soil stabilization and dust control

- Pedestrian and/or Bike Trails
- Roundabouts pro's & con's
- BIA-State-FHWA Road Classification
- TLPA Handbook training / Local Govt. Road Fund certification requirements
- Lighting and Maintenance Agreements
- Construction Project Management
- Road Safety Audits
- ADA Compliance
- Access to crash data

# 5) Issues / Ideas to improve RTPO service to our local governments:

- Add more training to monthly meetings (as reasonable within the agenda time constraints)
- Project site visits where / when appropriate
- Discussion on best practices
- Funding opportunities and assistance

# 6) Ideas to strengthen rural positioning for transportation resources, using data and performance measures:

- Cameras on NM602 and NM53 for weather related activities and road condition updates.
- Website for local agencies to share regional data (RISTRA Panoramic?)
- Data Fact sheet periodically updated around transportation issues
- Opportunity for RTPO's / MPO's to share their most critical issues with the NMDOT Secretary or State Transportation Commission on a periodic basis?

# 7) NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan Goals:

- 1) Operate with Transparency and Accountability
- 2) Improve safety and health for all system users
- 3) Maintain transportation assets for the long term
- 4) Provide multi-modal connectivity and access
- 5) Respect for NM cultures, environment, history and Quality of Life

# Actions or strategies within these goals that could use more focus toward from RTPO staff and members:

- Affordable transportation infrastructure, and feasible ways to fund infrastructure
- More focus on maintaining transportation assets for the long term (as new construction or full replacement is so expensive).

TOTAL RESPONSES: Eight (8) via survey monkey and 2 via hard copy = 10 out of about 14 members who regularly attended meetings. That's one of the best response rates we've had in a number of years from our members.



# NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

# Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

Agenda Item #V: Local Govt. Transportation Project Fund

Subject: New State fund established to support rural transportation

development

Prepared for: Sept. 11 RTPO meeting discussion

Date: 9/30/19

## **BACKGROUND**

- Why? Rural areas and small towns in New Mexico are suffering with deteriorating infrastructure, including transportation needs, with inadequate funding to even maintain what they have, never mind developing new infrastructure
- **Purpose.** This fund was established by the state to address rural needs in the area of transportation, to compliment the Local Govt. Road Fund and help ensure that our small towns and rural areas can support local transportation infrastructure including that which does not qualify for federal funding.
- **Discussion/Finalization.** The NWRTPO members have pursued this opportunity with a short application time frame

#### **CURRENT WORK**

RTPO members have submitted applications to fund local projects thru this source. They can apply the
funding to those cited in the RTIPR, or for other / new local roads or infrastructure, with justification
for the local need. RTPO and DOT staff will clarify as needed the process going forward.

#### **ANTICIPATED WORK**

- RTPO members have completed their applications, including PFF and PPF submissions, along with
  project maps, supporting resolutions or letters from their leadership. These have now been awarded
  funding based on NMDOT Transportation Commission selection at their August meeting. The statewide
  MPO's and RTPO's will await guidance for implementing projects as this funding rolls out.
- The NMDOT Admin. is requesting public hearings on LGTPF awards; the NWRTPO / DOT District 6 will
  conduct the public hearing for our region at the Dist. 6 Auditorium on November 20. These hearings
  are to establish the rules for LGTPF funding going forward, and will not affect current awards.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

LGTPF Awarded Projects from the Transportation Commission.

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

This fund will add capacity for local priorities, including those that don't qualify for federal funding

## **ACTION ITEM**

N/A.



**Evan J. Williams** Executive Director

Robert Kuipers RTPO Program Manager

August 19, 2019

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# NM Transportation Commission Awards \$50M in Critical Local & Tribal Projects

RUIDOSO – On August 15<sup>th</sup>, the New Mexico Transportation Commission approved \$50 million worth of local and tribal transportation projects throughout the State of New Mexico. The funding was appropriated by the New Mexico Legislature and signed into law by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. During the 2019 Legislative Session, Representatives Patricio Ruiloba (D-12, Bernalillo) and Patricia Lundstrom (D-9, McKinley & San Juan) introduced and passed House Bill 694, which created the Local Government Transportation Project Fund that allows the State to invest in a wide range of local transportation project types, at all stages of readiness, and only requires a minimum local match.

A special call for projects was announced in April, and the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs), and New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) reviewed applications for various entities throughout the State. Ultimately, NMDOT Cabinet Secretary Michael Sandoval provide a final list of recommendations to the Commission for approval. The NMDOT received 166 applications statewide and selected 57 for award totaling \$42.4 million. Remaining funds were invested into US Highway 82 and hardship waivers. Tribal entities were awarded just shy of \$7M. Special thanks to our District 6 Commissioner Charles Lundstrom from Grants, New Mexico.

Projects funded in Northwest New Mexico and the counties of Cibola, McKinley, and San Juan included:

District	Entity	Project Title	State	Entity	Total
5	City of Bloomfield	East Blanco Bridge Project Phase II	\$90,250	\$4,750	\$95,000
5	City of Farmington	San Juan Boulevard Resurfacing Project	\$546,250	\$28,750	\$575,000
5	San Juan County	County Road 5500 Bridge Replacement Project	\$2,375,000	\$125,000	\$2,500,000
6	Cibola County	County Road 18B	\$902,500	\$47,500	\$950,000
6	City of Gallup	East Nizhoni Blvd Reconstruction Project	\$332,500	\$17,500	\$350,000
6	City of Grants	Washington Bridge Replacement	\$1,425,000	\$75,000	\$1,500,000
6	McKinley County	Manuelito Canyon Bridge and Road Improvements	\$2,850,000	\$150,000	\$3,000,000
6	Village of Milan	Haystack Phase II	\$120,248	\$6,329	\$126,577
6	Navajo Nation – Baahaali Chapter	Baahaali Transfer Station Access Road Improvements	\$281,437	\$14,813	\$296,250
6	Navajo Nation - Bahastl'ah Chapter	Highway 491 Roadway Safety Audit	\$142,500	\$7,500	\$150,000
6	Navajo Nation – Mexican Springs Chapter	Navajo Route 30 and US Highway 491 Safety Audit	\$19,000	\$1,000	\$20,000
6	Navajo Nation – Tohatchi Chapter	Highway 491 Roadway Safety Audit	\$71,250	\$3,750	\$75,000
6	Pueblo of Acoma	SP 130 Veterans Blvd Roadway Project	\$1,136,912	\$59,837	\$1,196,749
6	Pueblo of Laguna	Interstate 40 Concrete Box Underpass	\$1,900,000	\$100,000	\$2,000,000
		TOTAL	\$12,192,847	\$641,729	\$12,834,576



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#### NORTHWEST NEW MEXICO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

# Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NWRTPO)

Agenda Item #VI: Reports, Updates & Announcements

**Subject:** Discussion / Presentation Items **Prepared by:** Robert Kuipers, NWRTPO

**Date:** 9/30/19

#### BACKGROUND

- Why? Update RTPO members on news, training, funding, and other items of special interest
- Purpose. Keep RTPO members up to date on critical information from NWRTPO and NMDOT sources

#### Informational Items

# **Regional News & Updates**

- Regional Work Program Status Report
- RTPO Report
- Member Reports

# **Member Special Reports:**

None submitted prior to the meeting

# **NMDOT Reports:**

- G to G Liaison: Neala Krueger
- Tribal Liaison: Ron Shutiva
- District 6: JoAnn Garcia & staff; District 5: Steve Lopez
- DOT Planning Unit Govt. to Govt. Weekly Updates

# **News, Training & Funding Opportunities:**

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- <u>TTAP Safety Training Oct. 15 18</u>: BIA Southwest Regional Office 1001 Indian School Road, Albuquerque
- <u>Transportation Research Board Webinar</u>: Understanding and using Census Data for Tribal Transportation October 17 3:00 4:30 pm Mountain Time.
- <u>LGTPF Awards</u>: just over \$12 million awarded to the NWRTPO region (!!) Members are <u>strongly advised</u> to use the
  public notice template provided by RTPO staff to appreciate our state leaders and governor thru local newspapers or
  radio for initiating this fund in hopes it will continue in future years!
- NADO Impact Award: The NWNMCOG was the only New Mexico recipient of this forthcoming award from the National Association of Development Organizations for the ongoing development of recreational trails in the Zuni Mtns.

## **New Business / Open Floor:**

None requested in advance of this meeting



# NWRTPO | Northwest Regional Transportation Planning Organization

# Monthly Report - September, 2019

- A. Local Government Transportation Project Fund: The State of New Mexico recently announced a new LGTPF fund to support transportation needs across New Mexico, complimenting the ongoing Local Govt. Road Fund. This fund provides \$50 million statewide and is not restrained by federal functional classification requirements. A total of 22 projects were submitted from the NWRTPO, along with 2 from the SWRTPO and 4 from the MRRTPO for the DOT Dist. 6 region. At the August N.M. Transportation Commission meeting in Ruidoso, the NWRTPO region was awarded just over \$12 million (three times the average amount of federal funding our biennial RTIPR provides to our region) for projects from 8 of our member governments along with 4 Chapter projects within the Navajo Nation and the Farmington MPO. Members are strongly encouraged to place articles of appreciation in their respective local media (newspapers / radio) for our state leaders who created this fund. Use the template that staff provided on August 20, which cites all our region's awards.
- B. GIS Data Gathering, Mapping and Compiling Work: RTPO staff need to follow up with our three Pueblos Laguna, Acoma and Zuni regarding the opportunity to include their transportation mapping and data into our regional portfolio, based on what each Pueblo is willing to share. COG staff continue to provide technical assistance and GIS mapping for development of 66 new miles of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains in McKinley and Cibola Counties during FFY18 FFY20; and continue contributing GIS mapping for regional transportation infrastructure. The NWCOG was the only New Mexico recipient of a NADO Impact Award for the ongoing development of recreational trails in the Zuni Mountains of McKinley and Cibola Counties.
- C. NWRTPO Regional Transportation Plan: RTPO staff have conducted annual updates to our R.T.P. at this time, and anticipate more updates in the year ahead, as the NMDOT (State plan) is coming into the 4-year major update cycle. Our RTPO may not need major updates to our plan, as we constantly update it on an annual basis.
- **D.** Annual Member Survey: The NWRTPO has completed its annual member survey at this time hard and electronic copies have been distributed to members. A total of ten members responded (2 via hard copy, 8 via Survey Monkey) and staff have distributed a summary analysis of responses to members. Staff will use this survey to guide meeting discussion and potential transportation initiatives going forward.
- **E.** <u>News, Training and Funding Opportunities</u>: The following training and funding opportunities have recently emerged:
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# RESEARCH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2019

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# Welcome to the Summer 2019 edition of the FHWA's Office of Planning, Environment and Realty's (HEP) quarterly research newsletter.

This issue of the research newsletter focuses on innovative efforts to enhance traditional public involvement strategies by using virtual public involvement tools. The Virtual Public Involvement (VPI) initiative launched in 2018 by the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Every Day Counts-5 program seeks to engage the public more effectively by supplementing face-to-face information-sharing and gathering with new technologies. The use of virtual public involvement tools enhances and broadens the reach of two-way communication efforts by making participation more convenient, affordable, and enjoyable to a larger audience. Bringing more people to the table earlier in the transportation decision-making process can help State Departments of Transportation (SDOTs), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and local public agencies' (LPAs) reduce project



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delays, enhance transparency, and lower staff time and costs per person engaged. The tools and strategies promoted by VPI are applicable to both the development of transportation planning products and project development, particularly during environmental review.

The initiative groups VPI tools and strategies into eight categories, including mobile applications, project visualizations, virtual town halls, and more. The FHWA VPI team, comprised of staff from FHWA's Offices of Planning, Project Development and Environmental Review, and Human Environment, along with support staff from the VOLPE Center developed a VPI website that houses key information and resources including, fact sheets, best practice case study videos, and recordings of VPI-related webinars. The third webinar is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, features story maps, online in the field, and virtual meeting techniques. The VPI team offers technical assistance opportunities to SDOTs, MPOs, and LPAs in the 38 States that have adopted the initiative. Technical assistance may include peer exchange workshops, virtual peer exchanges, providing relevant case studies and information, connecting applicants with peers for direct technical assistance, conference presentations, or other forms of assistance. Although the first, technical assistance application period concluded in June, the VPI team plans to open a second application period in January 2020. For more information on the initiative, please visit the website.

Speaking of innovation congratulations to the 2019 Excellence in Right-of-Way award recipients who were recently honored for exceptional advances that improve the real property acquisition process while ensuring that property owner and tenant rights are protected. Read about the Peer of the Year winner's leadership during the Philo Bridge early acquisition process. Other articles in this issue report on new analysis for managing curbside technology, recent and upcoming events.

Our regular features draw attention to ongoing research projects and transportation meetings and conferences that might interest you. I encourage you to explore these resources, consider contributing to them, and help identify future research needs.

Scott Allen

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# Resources for Managing Mobility Options at the Curb

New mobility concepts and solutions, from micro-mobility and car sharing systems to innovative demand response bus services, are providing travelers with new, flexible and tailored transportation options. The "curb" is a frequent intersection point of these options, requiring more management by local jurisdictions. These developments already are impacting the accessibility and mobility of both traditional mobility options and emerging ones. This research project is to develop additional curb space management resources that will allow communities to make informed decisions on how to best manage their curbs. The tools, case studies and pilot projects created will help communities assess the resources they have and the mobility options using them. In the near term, the products will give jurisdictions tools and guidance to assess current resources while considering option usage. In the long term, this work can help communities develop strategies that address identified conflict points and to pursue desired curb usage and policies.

Excellence in Right-of-Way biennial awards honor exceptional innovations that improve the real property acquisition process while ensuring that property owner and tenant rights are protected. Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Real Estate Administrator Laura Philabaum received the Peer of the Year award for leading the Philo Bridge Early Acquisition team. Under her leadership, the entire team leveraged its expertise, experience, and willingness to carry out innovative early acquisition of right-of-way on all of the parcels associated with the Philo Bridge, making the project team the very first in the country to utilize a change made to 23 CFR Part 710. That 2016 change allowed ODOT to begin the acquisition process before final NEPA clearance, providing additional time for more than 40 individuals to move their personal property. The structurally deficient Philo Bridge was built in 1953 and is located within the boundary of ability to work collaboratively likely saved taxpayer's time and money on this important project. Other recipients were recognized in four categories: Accelerating Project Delivery, Innovation, Leadership, and Stewardship.

# International Sustainable Cities Roundtable

Urban planners, architects, engineers, and educators from 22 countries participated in a roundtable discussion on creating more sustainable cities by including resilient transportation principles and practices into project development and strategic planning. Held in May, the roundtable was hosted by the USDOT Office of the



Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy and facilitated by the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program. During the meeting FHWA representatives from the Office of Human Environment and Office of Infrastructure shared resources on sustainable asset management and multimodal connectivity.

# Flexible Design Workshop

FHWA coordinated with the AASHTO Center for Environmental Excellence and the TRB Subcommittee on Context Sensitive Solutions to conduct a half day Flexible Design Workshop in July at the Joint Committee on Design/Active Transportation Council mid-year conference. The three key takeaways from the 100 participants were: Interdisciplinary/Interagency project groups should consider benefits and risks of flexible design; Regional Peer Exchanges are needed to better incorporate best practices into design process manuals; and there is a need to better integrate planning and design in early project scoping to achieve multimodal outcomes.

#### Webinars of Interest

# **Extending Our Reach Virtual Public Involvement Webinar Series**

The second webinar in the VPI series held in June featured, "Building a Social Media Presence", "Targeting Online Ads", and "Virtual Town Halls." Five speakers from Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, Michigan Department of Transportation, WSP Global USA, Denver Regional Transportation District, and Colorado Department of Transportation presented their experiences using these techniques. Listen to the recording <a href="here">here</a>. The third webinar in the series is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2:00 p.m. ET will feature, "Story Maps", "Online in the Field', and Virtual Meetings Techniques". Register here. Value Capture: Joint Development, Use ROW Agreement, and Case Studies

FHWA is hosting the Value Capture: Joint Development, Use ROW Agreement, and Case Studies webinar on September 19, 2019, 1:00 p.m. The session features experts sharing their experiences in public-private-partnership air space leases, renewable energies, and fiber/broadband to leverage emerging technologies and generate revenue, cost savings, social, and environmental benefits, which may not be quantifiable in monetary terms. Register here to learn how Value Capture Joint Development Strategies can help your State and local authorities generate on-going revenue streams to fund future transportation improvements.

# Research Highlights

Environment

Planning and Design of Micro-Mobility Networks



The HEPH Livability Team in conjunction with the Pedestrian Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) is conducting a research project to determine how jurisdictions are planning and designing micro-mobility networks specifically for electric scooters. The research also looks at several case studies to provide additional observations around micro-mobility. Interviews are being conducted with large, mid-size, small communities in addition to the FHWA and the National Association of City Transportation Officials to gather perspectives on key emerging issues, challenges and potential



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guidance. Primary topics being explored include; regulation and permitting, safety, and infrastructure design. Insights and lessons learned from interviews will also be presented at the ITE conference in Austin, TX in Summer 2019. The final report will summarize consistent themes and potential next steps. **Staff Contact**: Wesley Blount, 202-366-0799.

**Planning** 

# Mobility on Demand (MOD) Planning and Implementation

market for personal mobility is rapidly changing due to evolving social and cultural trends and technological advances in shared mobility, demand-response systems, data connectivity, and information processing. New mobility concepts and solutions, from bike and car sharing systems to on-demand ride services, are providing travelers with new, flexible, and tailored transportation options. HEPP is researching current and emerging practices among public agencies to better understand how communities are achieving their visions for Mobility on Demand (MOD). This research is examining local public agencies, state departments of transportation, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), and public transportation providers to produce a reference resource on noteworthy policies and practices in the Fall of 2019. The project is a multimodal initiative under the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) MOD Program with the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Joint Programs Office (JPO) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Staff Contact: Corbin Davis, 202-366-6072.

Real Estate

# State of the Practice — Federal Lands Transfer (FLT) Process

This research updates FHWA's understanding of the current state of the FLT practice (e.g., frequency and extent of use); and develops information and tools that will enhance the ability of FHWA, Federal Land Management Agencies, and State DOTs to efficiently and effectively complete the FLT process. Staff Contact: Carolyn James, 202-493-0353.

# **Upcoming Events**

September 10 – 13

International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation, Irvine, CA

The 2019 WliT conference will focus on women's issues related to all aspects of travel and transportation, framed through the lens of insights, inclusion, and impact. FHWA is a sponsor of this year's conference and will advance themes from the 2014 conference including gender differences in transportation and mobility, responsiveness of transport systems to needs and preferences of women, transportation safety, personal security, and participation of women in decision-making and wealth creation in the transportation sector. Staff Contact: Shari Schaftlein.



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September 22 - 26

International Conference on Ecology and Transportation, Sacremento, CA

The foremost interdisciplinary, inter-agency supported conference addressing the broad range of ecological issues related to transportation systems in all modes. Experts in transportation development, related scientific study, policy issues, and administrative processes gather at ICOET to share current research, quality applications, and best practices that can enhance both the project development process and the ecological sustainability of all transportation modes. FHWA is a sponsor. Staff Contact: Mike Ruth.

#### October 21 – 25

International Conference on Ecology and Transportation, Baltimore, MD

The annual meeting brings together MPO staff, Policy Board members, federal and state employees, and consultants to share information and best practices on a variety of current and emerging MPO issues. Staff Contact: James Garland.

#### November 13 – 15

Transportation Resilience 2019, Washington, DC

TRB, AASHTO, and FHWA are sponsoring the 2nd International Conference on Transportation System Resilience to Natural Hazards and Extreme Weather Events. The conference will provide transportation professionals with information on emerging best practices and state of the art research results on how to adapt surface transportation networks to the potential impacts of natural disasters and extreme weather events. Conference topics and abstracts are being solicited at TR2019. Staff Contact: Mike Culp.

January 12 – 16

2020 Transportation Research Board (TRB) <u>99th Annual Meeting</u>, Sacramento, CA

The meeting program covers all transportation modes, with more than 5,000 presentations in nearly 800 sessions and workshops, addressing topics of interest to policy makers, administrators, practitioners, researchers, and representatives of government, industry, and academic institutions. The spotlight theme for the 2020 meeting: *A Century of Progress: Foundation for the Future*. Staff Contact: <u>Shari Schaftlein</u>.

The Office of Human Environment's Research and Financial Services Team administers research programs and financial support to HEP for research initiatives. The Team provides leadership, coordination, support, and implementation of research activities. It also works toward improving outreach, communication, and partnerships between Federal, State, and local stakeholders in managing the research programs. For more information, please contact HEP's Primary Research Coordinator: Patricia Cazenas, 202-366-4085.

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# RESEARCH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2019

# Welcome to the Summer 2019 edition of the FHWA's Office of Planning, Environment and Realty's (HEP) quarterly research newsletter.

This issue of the research newsletter focuses on innovative efforts to enhance traditional public involvement strategies by using virtual public involvement tools. The Virtual Public Involvement (VPI) initiative launched in 2018 by the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Every Day Counts-5 program seeks to engage the public more effectively by supplementing face-to-face information-sharing and gathering with new technologies. The use of virtual public involvement



tools enhances and broadens the reach of two-way communication efforts by making participation more convenient, affordable, and enjoyable to a larger audience. Bringing more people to the table earlier in the transportation decision-making process can help State Departments of Transportation (SDOTs), Metropolitan Planning



FHWA's Scott Allen

Organizations (MPOs), and local public agencies' (LPAs) reduce project delays, enhance transparency, and lower staff time and costs per person engaged. The tools and strategies promoted by VPI are applicable to both the development of transportation planning products and project development, particularly during environmental review.

The initiative groups VPI tools and strategies into eight categories, including mobile applications, project visualizations, virtual town halls. and more. The FHWA VPI team, comprised of staff from FHWA's Offices of Planning, Project Development and Environmental Review, and Human Environment, along with support staff from the VOLPE Center developed a VPI website that houses key information and resources including, fact sheets, best practice case study videos, and recordings of VPI-related webinars. The third webinar is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, features story maps, online in the field, and virtual meeting techniques. The VPI team offers technical assistance opportunities to SDOTs, MPOs, and LPAs in the 38 States that have adopted the initiative. Technical assistance may include peer exchange workshops, virtual peer exchanges, providing relevant case studies and information, connecting applicants with peers for direct technical assistance, conference presentations, or other forms of assistance. Although the first, technical assistance application period concluded in June, the VPI team plans to open a second application period in January 2020. For more information on the initiative, please visit the website.

Speaking of innovation congratulations to the 2019 Excellence in Right-of-Way award recipients who were recently honored for exceptional advances that improve the real property acquisition process while ensuring that property owner and tenant rights are protected. Read about the Peer of the Year winner's leadership during the Philo Bridge early acquisition process. Other articles in this issue report on new analysis for managing curbside technology, recent and upcoming events.

Our regular features draw attention to ongoing research projects and transportation meetings and conferences that might interest you. I encourage you to explore these resources, consider contributing to them, and help identify future research needs.

Scott Allen

Office of Planning - Stewardship and Oversight Team

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# Resources for Managing Mobility Options at the Curb

New mobility concepts and solutions, from micro-mobility and car sharing systems to innovative demand response bus services, are providing travelers with new, flexible and tailored transportation options. The "curb" is a frequent intersection point of these options, requiring more management by local jurisdictions. These developments already are impacting the accessibility and mobility of both traditional mobility options and emerging ones. This research project is to develop additional curb space management resources that will allow communities to make informed decisions on how to best manage their curbs. The tools, case studies and pilot projects created will help communities assess the resources they have and the mobility options using them. In the near term, the products will give jurisdictions tools and guidance to assess current resources while considering option usage. In the long term, this work can help communities develop strategies that address identified conflict points and to pursue desired curb usage and policies.

# **Excellence in Right-of-Way Awards**

Excellence in Right-of-Way biennial awards honor exceptional innovations that improve the real property acquisition process while ensuring that property owner and tenant rights are protected. Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Real Estate Administrator Laura Philabaum received the Peer of the Year award for leading the Philo Bridge Early Acquisition team. Under her leadership, the entire team leveraged its expertise, experience, and willingness to carry out innovative early acquisition of right-of-way on all of the parcels associated with the Philo Bridge, making the project team the very first in the country to utilize a change made to 23 CFR Part 710. That 2016 change allowed ODOT to begin the acquisition process before final NEPA clearance, providing additional time for more than 40 individuals to move their personal property.

The structurally deficient Philo Bridge was built in 1953 and is located within the boundary of ability to work collaboratively likely saved taxpayer's time and money on this important project. Other recipients were recognized in four categories: Accelerating Project Delivery, Innovation, Leadership, and Stewardship.

# **International Sustainable Cities Roundtable**

Urban planners, architects, engineers, and educators from 22 countries participated in a roundtable discussion on creating more sustainable cities by including resilient transportation principles and practices into project development and strategic planning. Held in May, the roundtable was hosted by the USDOT Office of the



Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy and facilitated by the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program. During the meeting FHWA representatives from the Office of Human Environment and Office of Infrastructure shared resources on sustainable asset management and multimodal connectivity.

# Flexible Design Workshop

FHWA coordinated with the AASHTO Center for Environmental Excellence and the TRB Subcommittee on Context Sensitive Solutions to conduct a half day Flexible Design Workshop in July at the Joint Committee on Design/Active Transportation Council mid-year conference. The three key takeaways from the 100 participants were: Interdisciplinary/Interagency project groups should consider benefits and risks of flexible design; Regional Peer Exchanges are needed to better incorporate best practices into design process manuals; and there is a need to better integrate planning and design in early project scoping to achieve multimodal outcomes.

#### Webinars of Interest

# Extending Our Reach Virtual Public Involvement Webinar Series

The second webinar in the VPI series held in June featured, "Building a Social Media Presence", "Targeting Online Ads", and "Virtual Town Halls." Five speakers from Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, Michigan Department of Transportation, WSP Global USA, Denver Regional Transportation District, and Colorado Department of Transportation presented their experiences using these techniques. Listen to the recording <a href="here">here</a>. The third webinar in the series is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2:00 p.m. ET will feature, "Story Maps", "Online in the Field', and Virtual Meetings Techniques". <a href="Register here">Register here</a>. <a href="Value Capture">Value Capture</a>: Joint Development, Use ROW Agreement, and Case Studies

FHWA is hosting the Value Capture: Joint Development, Use ROW Agreement, and Case Studies webinar on September 19, 2019, 1:00 p.m. The session features experts sharing their experiences in public-private-partnership air space leases, renewable energies, and fiber/broadband to leverage emerging technologies and generate revenue, cost savings, social, and environmental benefits, which may not be quantifiable in monetary terms. Register here to learn how Value Capture Joint Development Strategies can help your State and local authorities generate on-going revenue streams to fund future transportation improvements.

# Research Highlights

#### Environment

# Planning and Design of Micro-Mobility Networks

The HEPH Livability Team in conjunction with the Pedestrian Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) is conducting a research project to determine how jurisdictions are planning and designing micro-mobility networks specifically for electric scooters. The research also looks at several case studies to provide additional observations around micro-mobility. Interviews are being conducted with large, mid-size, small communities in addition to the FHWA and the National Association of City Transportation Officials to gather perspectives on key emerging issues, challenges and potential guidance. Primary topics being explored include; regulation and permitting.



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safety, and infrastructure design. Insights and lessons learned from interviews will also be presented at the ITE conference in Austin, TX in Summer 2019. The final report will summarize consistent themes and potential next steps. **Staff Contact**: Wesley Blount, 202-366-0799.

# **Planning**

# Mobility on Demand (MOD) Planning and Implementation

market for personal mobility is rapidly changing due to evolving social and cultural trends and technological advances in shared mobility, demand-response systems, data connectivity, and information processing. New mobility concepts and solutions, from bike and car sharing systems to on-demand ride services, are providing travelers with new, flexible, and tailored transportation options. HEPP is researching current and emerging practices among public agencies to better understand how communities are achieving their visions for Mobility on Demand (MOD). This research is examining local public agencies, state departments of transportation, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), and public transportation providers to produce a reference resource on noteworthy policies and practices in the Fall of 2019. The project is a multimodal initiative under the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) MOD Program with the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Joint Programs Office (JPO) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Staff Contact: Corbin Davis, 202-366-6072.

#### Real Estate

# State of the Practice — Federal Lands Transfer (FLT) Process

This research updates FHWA's understanding of the current state of the FLT practice (e.g., frequency and extent of use); and develops information and tools that will enhance the ability of FHWA, Federal Land Management Agencies, and State DOTs to efficiently and effectively complete the FLT process. Staff Contact: Carolyn James, 202-493-0353.

# **Upcoming Events**

September 10 – 13

International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation, Irvine, CA

The 2019 WliT conference will focus on women's issues related to all aspects of travel and transportation, framed through the lens of insights, inclusion, and impact. FHWA is a sponsor of this year's conference and will advance themes from the 2014 conference including gender differences in transportation and mobility, responsiveness of transport systems to needs and preferences of women, transportation safety, personal security, and participation of women in decision-making and wealth creation in the transportation sector. Staff Contact: Shari Schaftlein.



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September 22 – 26

# International Conference on Ecology and Transportation, Sacremento, CA

The foremost interdisciplinary, inter-agency supported conference addressing the broad range of ecological issues related to transportation systems in all modes. Experts in transportation development, related scientific study, policy issues, and administrative processes gather at ICOET to share current research, quality applications, and best practices that can enhance both the project development process and the ecological sustainability of all transportation modes. FHWA is a sponsor. Staff Contact: Mike Ruth.

October 21 – 25

# Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO), Baltimore, MD

The annual meeting brings together MPO staff, Policy Board members, federal and state employees, and consultants to share information and best practices on a variety of current and emerging MPO issues. Staff Contact: <u>James Garland</u>.

November 13 – 15
 <u>Transportation Resilience 2019</u>, Washington, DC

TRB, AASHTO, and FHWA are sponsoring the 2nd International Conference on Transportation System Resilience to Natural Hazards and Extreme Weather Events. The conference will provide transportation professionals with information on emerging best practices and state of the art research results on how to adapt surface transportation networks to the potential impacts of natural disasters and extreme weather events. Conference topics and abstracts are being solicited at TR2019. Staff Contact: Mike Culp.

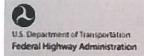
January 12 – 16

2020 Transportation Research Board (TRB) <u>99th Annual Meeting</u>. Washington, DC
The meeting program covers all transportation modes, with more than 5,000 presentations in nearly 800 sessions and workshops, addressing topics of interest to policy makers, administrators, practitioners, researchers, and representatives of government, industry, and academic institutions. The spotlight theme for the 2020 meeting: *A Century of Progress: Foundation for the Future*. Staff Contact: Shari Schaftlein.

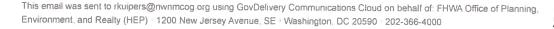
The Office of Human Environment's Research and Financial Services Team administers research programs and financial support to HEP for research initiatives. The Team provides leadership, coordination, support, and implementation of research activities. It also works toward improving outreach, communication, and partnerships between Federal, State, and local stakeholders in managing the research programs. For more information, please contact HEP's Primary Research Coordinator: Patricia Cazenas, 202-366-4085.

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# RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

The latest report from FHWA Planning, Environment & Realty.

For those interested in bike and ped. trails - unfortunately this webinar occurs in the middle of our meeting on Wednesday - so you might have one of your colleagues check it out? Hope to see most of you in Acoma on Wednesday. (My how the months fly by - yesterday we were sweating in July, tomorrow we'll be looking for Santa Clause !!)

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TMIP Webinar Reminder: Evaluation of Walk and Bicycle Demand Modeling Practice

09/04/2019



Please join us on September 11, 2019 at 2:00 PM ET for TMIP webinar - Evaluation of Walk and Bicycle Demand Modeling Practice.

# **Session Description**

Evaluation of Walk and Bicycle Demand Modeling Practice

The webinar will provide an overview of the recent report written by RSG and RAND for NCHRP and AASHTO, titled "Evaluation of Walk and Bicycle Demand Modeling Practice". The report is a follow up to NCHRP Report 770 "Estimating Bicycling and Walking for Planning and Project Development: A Guidebook". The topics covered in the report, and summarized in the webinar include (a) a review of state-of-the art research, (b) results from an on-line survey of DOT and MPO modelers into the current and desired state-of-the-practice, (c) identification of key gaps between standard practice and the newest modeling approaches, (d) specific examples of recommended modeling approaches, and (e) key directions for future research.

# **Presenters**

# Mark Bradley

Mark Bradley has been a consultant in travel demand modeling for 35 years, with over 10 years in Europe and the rest based in California. He has been one of the pioneers in developing methods for activity-based modeling and for modeling demand for various transportation modes, including air, rail, bus, walk and bicycle. Mark joined RSG in 2012, and is currently a Senior Director based in Santa Barbara, California. He has not yet tried to model the demand for surfing or skateboarding, but he is in the right place to try it.

# **Meeting Information**

Participants do not need to preregister to attend the webinar. Connections are limited to 100. First come, first served.

You can log on to the webinar at:

https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/tmipvirtualseminars/

The TeleConference Toll Free Number: 1-888-675-2535

Participant Passcode: 8344566

Meeting information has also been provided in the attached calendar invite for your convenience.

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NOTE: We are experiencing some issues with the Flash Player in Chrome and Fire Fox. You may receive a message about the Flash Plugin and may not be able to proceed to the meeting room. Until a solution is found for this issue, please use Internet Explorer.

#### **Contact Us**

If you would like to work with TMIP to share your agency's experience or if you have questions or comments about TMIP, please contact Sarah Sun, FHWA

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# Human Environment Digest 09/05/19

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#### **EVENTS**

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September 10-13,
2019: TRB's 6th International

Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation. Irvine, CA. (There is a fee)

September 15-18, 2019: TRB's

Conference on Performance and Data in Transportation Decision Making. Atlanta, GA. (There is a fee)

September 19-20, 2019: Portland State University's Transportation and Communities Summit. Portland, OR. (There is a fee)
September 22-26, 2019: Road Ecology Center's International



# Safety

# Red Light Running Crashes at a Ten Year High

The American Automobile Association (AAA) Foundation for Traffic Safety released a data analysis report on fatal crashes caused by red light running. AAA found that more than two people are killed every day in red light running crashes, including drivers, passengers, pedestrians, and bicyclists. This represents a 10-year high and a 28 percent increase since 2012. AAA recommended that local governments invest in red light cameras, which have been found to reduce the fatal red light running crash rate in large cities by 21 percent and the rate of all types of fatal crashes at signalized intersections by 14 percent.

# Report Highlights Safer Streets Projects

A new report from America Walks and the University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center (UNC HSRC)

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#### **WEBINARS**

September 5, 1:00-2:00 PM ET:

Annual Meeting, Washington,

D.C. (There is a fee for some)

Safe Routes Partnership and Vision Zero Network's Building Our Future: Engaging and Empowering Youth in Vision Zero

September 10, 3:00-4:00 PM ET:

Walk and Bike to School Day's Slowing Down Traffic Near Your School

September 11, 2:00-3:00 PM ET:

America Walks' Active and Engaged: Community Outreach Strategies for Your Health September 11, 2:00-3:30 PM ET: TRB's Lessons Learned in Transportation Scenario Planning (There is a fee for some)
September 12, 12:00-1:00PM

ET: America Walks' Moving Forward: Innovation in Active Transportation September 12, 2:00-3:00 PM ET:

TRB's Design Thinking Potential for State Departments of

highlights pedestrian safety improvement projects in communities across the country. The report showcases the work done in Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Flint, Michigan; and Richmond, Virginia as part of *America Walks* and *UNC HSRC's* Safer Systems program, which works to build local and regional capacity to assess, plan, and prioritize effective and context-sensitive pedestrian safety countermeasures to promote safety and walkability.

Study Finds Transit Bus Travel Safer Than Car Travel
The University of Montreal conducted a <u>study</u> that examined
the risk of injury along the ten busiest bus routes in Montreal.
The study found that the risk of injury for car occupants was
four times greater than that for bus occupants. In addition,
the study also found that car trips were associated with a
greater number of pedestrian injuries (four times more),
bicyclist injuries (five times more), and fatal and severe

injuries (five times more) per kilometer traveled compared to



bus trips.

# Infrastructure

**APBP Requests Proposals for 2020 Webinar Series** 

The Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) requests proposals for its 2020 monthly webinar series. APBP webinars highlight topics useful to professionals and advocates working in the field of bicycling and walking, such as planning, design, engineering, education, encouragement, evaluation, enforcement, and advocacy. Submitted proposals must contain evidence-based material. Webinar proposals may be submitted <a href="https://example.com/here-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-material-based-based-material-based-based-material-based-based-material-based-based-material-based

# Report Analyzes Transit Ridership Data to Determine Impact on Pollution

A <u>report</u> published by <u>Environmental Research</u>
Communications used public transit ridership data to
determine the emissions saved by passengers taking transit
instead of driving cars. Report authors collected and
analyzed data from the <u>Utah Transit Authority (UTA)</u> and
found that transit ridership helped to offset as much as 1.5
percent of the region's greenhouse gas emissions during
peak travel periods.



Transportation (There is a fee for some)

#### September 17, 2:00-3:30 PM ET:

TRB's Implications of Technologies for Visually Impaired Pedestrians (There is a fee for some)

September 18, 2:00-3:00 PM ET: American Trails' Justice, Equity,

Diversity, Inclusion: Part 1
September 18, 3:00-4:00 PM ET:

Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals' Can We Talk About the Street? Building Support for Controversial Projects

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# October 16, 3:00-4:00 PM ET:

ABPB's If We Build it Will They Come? Estimating Demand for Biking and Walking (There is a fee)

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American Trails' The Nature of Trail Aesthetics (There is a fee) November 5, 2:00-3:00 PM ET: American Trails' Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion: Part 2

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# University of California at Davis Publishes Paper on Mobility Data Sharing

The University of California at Davis published an issue paper examining the critical needs and challenges surrounding mobility data sharing. The report offers an overview of the current state of mobility data sharing and provides four policy recommendations to help provide planners and officials with the necessary data to make informed decisions. These recommendations focus on developing a middle-ground approach, in which data is shared in specific contexts and managed by a trusted third party to minimize privacy concerns and maximize benefits. Transportation Institute Publishes Urban Mobility Report The Texas A&M Transportation Institute released a report addressing the state of urban mobility across the nation. The report used highway inventory data from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to conduct a comprehensive analysis of traffic conditions in urban areas across the United States, finding a continued increase in travel demand on roadways across the country.



# TRB Publishes Guide on Emergency Management at State Transportation Agencies

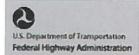
The *Transportation Research Board (TRB)* published a guide on emergency management at State transportation agencies. The report provides an update on advances in emergency management, recent changes to Federal guidance, and changing operational roles at State departments of transportation. The guide provides resources for all types of incidents and offers strategies for employing a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional, and multimodal approach by including all modes and sectors that use the highway system when developing an effective emergency response.

## **ASLA Releases Universal Design Guide**

The American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) published a new universal design guide, which provides a set of universal design principles to address the needs of people with disabilities and limited mobility. The guide's section on streets emphasizes multimodal, complete streets and designing for the safety and comfort of all roadway users.

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#### Safety

#### New Study on Child Pedestrian Safety

The Mountain Plains Consortium sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation published a study on redefining the child pedestrian safety paradigm. The report analyzes 30 years of crash data in six U.S. cities to locate areas with high child pedestrian crash and fatality rates. The findings indicate a concentration of child pedestrian fatalities in areas around parks as compared to other areas that children frequent. The study concludes by offering street-level design recommendations to make the places where children walk and bicycle safer.



#### Infrastructure

#### **FHWA Publishes Quarterly Research Newsletter**

The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Office of Planning published its <u>summer 2019 quarterly newsletter</u>. The newsletter highlights the virtual public involvement initiative within FHWA's <u>Every Day Counts-5 program</u>, which focuses on using innovative efforts and virtual tools to enhance traditional public involvement strategies. The newsletter also examines recent research highlights, including the planning and design of micromobility networks and best practices for the implementation of mobility-ondemand services.

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# Report Analyzes Impact of Transit Service Closure on Bicycle Share Demand

The Journal of Transport Geography published an article that examines how transit service closures influence bike share demand. The report uses the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region as a case study to track how rail transit closures in 2016 impacted the city's bike share system. The findings indicate a rise in bike share use during the study period, suggesting that bike share can enhance mobility and serve to complement transit during periods of limited service.

## LAB Requests Session Proposals for 2020 National Bike Summit

The League of American Bicyclists (LAB) is requesting session proposals for its 2020 National Bike Summit in Arlington, Virginia, and Washington, D.C., from March 15-17, 2020. The theme for the 2020 summit is Safe Streets for Everyone. LAB is requesting that session proposals address equity, education, design, data and research, culture change, advocacy, technology, or other work that has advanced safe streets for everyone. Session proposals may be submitted here until October 23, 2019.



# U.S. DOT Announces Grant Funding for Automated Driving Systems Projects

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced nearly \$60 million in grant funding for projects across the country to test the safe integration of automated driving systems (ADS) on the nation's roadways. The grants aim to gather data to inform future rulemaking and to help foster collaboration between State and local governments and private partners. The projects cover a wide range of topics including promoting equity by using shared on-demand, wheelchair accessible automated vehicles and encouraging rural connectivity by testing ADS in rural contexts.

#### FHWA Releases Quarterly GIS Newsletter

The geographic information systems (GIS) team at the Federal Highway Administration published its August 2019 quarterly newsletter. The newsletter highlights a new Tableau-based tool designed to allow transportation agencies to integrate social equity considerations into transportation planning. The publication also includes recently published

reports along with a number of editorials that follow the use of GIS to examine equity impacts.

# Rockefeller Foundation Launches the National Opportunity Zones Academy

The Rockefeller Foundation and Smart Growth

America announced the launch of the National Opportunity

Zones Academy. The Academy will work with the five
selected cities of Chicago, IL; Greater Miami and the
Beaches, FL; Pittsburgh, PA; Seattle, WA; and Norfolk, VA to
help drive sustainable growth in opportunity zones by
attracting economic investment. The cities will work with the
technical assistance team, socially-responsible investors,
and peer cities to create community-led approaches that
seek to transform opportunity zones into economicallythriving and socially-inclusive, walkable neighborhoods.

# NACTO Publishes Updated Guidelines for Regulating Shared Micromobility

The National Association of City Transportation
Officials released updated guidelines for regulating shared micromobility. The guidelines offer an overview of the current state of the practice of shared micromobility and include best practices for developing regulations, implementing effective infrastructure, and sharing usage data. The publication emphasizes the increased need for safe infrastructure, such as protected bike lanes, to serve bicyclists and those using other micromobility devices.

# ITF Publishes Report on Regulating App-Based Mobility Services

The International Transport Forum published a report on the development of app-based mobility services such as bicycle share and ridehailing. The report summarizes the current landscape of app-based mobility services and the response of city regulators to the rapid growth of new mobility services. The report concludes with recommendations for policymakers and city officials on how to best address mobility providers, along with strategies to develop an effective regulatory framework.



# U.S. DOT Calls for Input on Barriers and Solutions to Complete Trips

The *U.S. Department of Transportation* and *Department of Labor* ask for input and feedback as part of the <u>Barriers and Solutions to Complete Trips for All Online Dialogue</u>. The

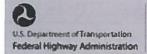
dialogue seeks to inform efforts to reduce mobility barriers that constrain people with disabilities from fully participating in the workforce and in their communities. Individuals may submit ideas, comments, and votes on more accessible and inclusive transportation through the end of September.

# APTA Releases Study Highlighting the Transit Needs of Late-Shift Workers

The American Public Transportation Association published a study examining the transit needs of late-shift workers in metropolitan areas across the country. The study highlighted the needs of late-shift commuters and the ways public transit providers and decisionmakers can improve commuting options for this growing segment of the U.S. workforce.

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## GIS in Transportation August 2019 Newsletter

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# A Newsletter from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

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#### A GIS Tool For All

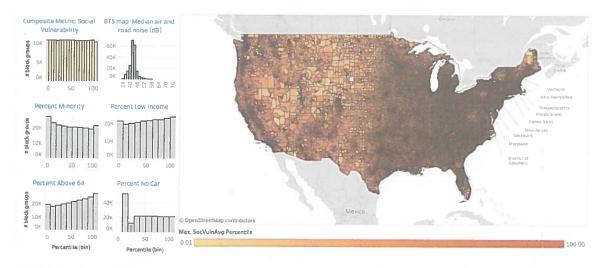
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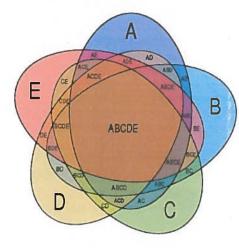
The next time someone asks you for a map, what if you could give them a tool instead?

A team at the U.S. DOT Volpe Center used Tableau software to create TransportSE, a prototype geospatial tool to help transportation agencies and partners integrate social equity considerations into transportation planning and operations. Social equity in transportation refers to the fair and equitable distribution of public services associated with implementation of transportation projects and public policy. The prototype is <u>available</u> to the public free of charge. For a faster experience, click "download workbook" at the upper right corner of the screen; then download and install the free <u>reader</u> to open the file.

#### **Background**

Transportation agencies and partners seek to analyze demographic information alongside transportation data to ensure that all residents have reliable, safe, and affordable ways to reach... Read more »



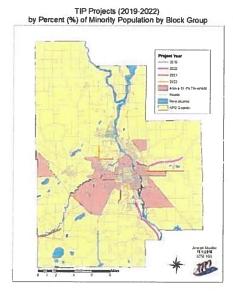


# Using GIS to Determine Social Equity Impacts in Transportation Systems Editorial by Alex Karner, PhD, The University of Texas at Austin

Our first guest editorial writer is Alex Karner, PhD, an assistant professor of community and regional planning at The University of Texas at Austin. His research addresses questions of justice and fairness in transportation planning.

GIS can be a powerful tool for assessing how transportation system changes will affect different demographic groups. But different data sources and analytical approaches can provide different answers to the same questions. For this reason, multiple perspectives must be assessed simultaneously to determine what the true social equity impacts are likely to be.

Two examples are instructive. The first involves the common task of identifying "environmental justice" (EJ) communities .... Read more »



# **Equity Analysis and TIP Creation from the MPO Perspective**

## Editorial by Joseph Mueller, Senior Transportation Planner, St. Cloud APO

Our second guest editorial writer, Joseph Mueller, works for the St. Cloud APO in Minnesota. His job as senior transportation planner includes specialized work in GIS, and he brings experience from the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, as well as the City of Minneapolis to his daily work.

Central Minnesota's St. Cloud Area Planning Organization (APO) is a federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO). Every year, the APO works with its member jurisdictions and the Minnesota Department of Transportation to develop its Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a four-year program of surface transportation projects that are considered to be either regionally significant or are programmed to receive Federal funds. Use of GIS in the TIP process has grown to include social equity and demographic information, to help plan for... Read more »

#### Other News Reports Available

Data Governance & Data Management: Case Studies of Select Transportation Agencies

This new case study report explores how State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) currently define and apply data governance and data management concepts. Four State DOTs were interviewed for this effort (Arizona, Arkansas, Ohio, and Texas) to ascertain the current and planned levels of implementation, and to obtain feedback on what the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) can do to facilitate the development of these processes.

#### **Mobile Applications Case Study Report**

This new case study report explores how State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) have used mobile applications to reduce a duplication of efforts and learn best practices from peer agencies. Five State DOTs were interviewed for this effort (Colorado, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland and Mississippi) to identify use cases for mobile applications, methods for developing tools, and ways in which GIS data is accessed using the applications.

#### **Recent Events**

The Geospatial Online Transportation User Group (GOTUG) hosted a webinar on GIS and Capability Maturity Models (CMM). Mark Sarmiento of the FHWA presented on the results of recent peer exchanges and case study reports focused on CMMs and their use by several State DOTs. He provided background on CMMs and summarized the benefits, challenges, and observations of the State DOTs that tried them. To view the webinar archive for GOTUG and sign up for the email list, please visit their website.

On April 3rd, FHWA's GIS in Transportation Program hosted a webinar on Data Governance. This summary describes Improve the communication of data throughout the agency;

- · Become fluent with modern technology and best practices from other State DOTs;
- · Anticipate problems before they happen; and
- Improve the accessibility of data.

#### **Coming Soon**

Peer Exchange on Enterprise Data Systems In November, Washington DOT hosted a peer exchange organized by FHWA's offices of Transportation Safety and GIS in Transportation Program. The exchange focused on ways to create enterprise data systems within State DOTs, with a focus on data integrity, the outcomes of data systems, and practical steps to creating enterprise GIS for an agency. A summary of this peer exchange will be made available.



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# Sept. 11 TMIP Webinar Reminder: Evaluation of Walk and Bicycle Demand Modeling Practice

09/10/2019



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#### **Meeting Information**

Participants do not need to preregister to attend the webinar. Connections are limited to 100. First come, first served.

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https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/tmipvirtualseminars/

The TeleConference Toll Free Number: 1-888-675-2535

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Hi All—Please see the information below (and attached) for the latest updates on NMDOT information relevant to the MPOs and RTPOs. Please pass along relevant information to your member entities.

#### NMDOT Statewide Planning Bureau - New Staff

We're excited to announce that the Statewide Planning Bureau (SPB) hired two new Urban & Regional Planners. Welcome Debbie and Jeanetta!

- Debbie Hudson is our new southern planner liaison. Debbie's position serves as the liaison to SERTPO, SCRTPO, SWRTPO, as well as MVMPO and EPMPO. Debbie was previously the Local Government Road Fund Coordinator for NMDOT District 1 and has a lot of experience with both NMDOT and communities in the District 1 area. Debbie will be working out of the NMDOT District 1 office in Deming (rather than in Las Cruces), but will be serving MPOs/RTPOs in both Districts 1 and 2. Debbie can be contacted at DebraA.Hudson@state.nm.us or 575-640-2779.
- Jeanetta Bachand joined the Statewide Planning Bureau's Technical and Freight Planning team on Monday, Sept. 9, where she will be supporting the development of the Statewide Travel Demand Model, and the forthcoming State Freight Plan update, among other bureau efforts.
   Jeanetta previously worked with North Central Regional Transit District, and is bringing a strong background in GIS, particularly with regard to utilities, which translates well to roadway assets. Jeanetta can be contacted at jeanette.bachand@state.nm.us or 505-470-2856.

# Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP) Workshop (Luis Melgoza, FHWA-NM)—REMINDER and PLEASE RSVP TO LUIS IF INTERESTED

As part of EDC 5 STEP (Every Day Counts 5 Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian) FHWA is hosting a free workshop to MPO and RTPO planners on pedestrian safety treatments. Please see attached for the workshop agenda, and contact Luis Melgoza, <a href="mailto:luis.melgoza@dot.gov">luis.melgoza@dot.gov</a>, to RSVP or for questions.

Who: MPO and RTPO Planners

When: September 19, 2019, 9am-3pm. The workshop will begin promptly at 9.

Where: NMDOT General Office Trainings Rooms 1&2; 1120 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, NM.

#### Pedestrian Safety Action Plan Training (Shannon Glendenning)—SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

NMDOT is partnering with the Federal Highway Administration to bring the "How to Develop a Pedestrian Safety Action Plan" (PSAP) workshop to southern New Mexico. (This is the same training that took place in Santa Fe on June 25-26.) The free, two-day course is designed to help tribal and local public agencies start to address pedestrian safety issues and plan for safety enhancements to their existing pedestrian programs and activities. The target audience is planners and engineers. The free, two-day workshop is taking place in Las Cruces on November 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at the Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center. Additionally, consultant support services may be available to develop a regional transportation safety plan. In order to be eligible for the support, workshop attendance is required. Please see the attached announcement and email Shannon Glendenning at shannon.glendenning@state.nm.us by October 18th, if interested in attending. Please relay this opportunity to your member entities.

#### **Upcoming Meetings, Trainings, Webinars**

- 9/18, times TBD: MPO Quarterly, Santa Fe MPO Offices; draft agenda attached.
- 9/19, 9am-3pm, NMDOT General Office: FHWA workshop on <u>Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP)</u> initiative. Erick Aune coordinated this training in conjunction with the MPO Quarterly and RTPOs are invited to this as well. Please RSVP to Luis Melgoza from FHWA-NM at <u>luis.melgoza@dot.gov</u>
- 9/26, noon-1:30pm, webinar: third installment of <u>FHWA's Public Involvement "Extending Our Reach"</u> free webinar series, which focuses on virtual public involvement. More information, including registration, can be found <u>here</u>.
- 11/13, 9:30am-12:30pm, Socorro (location TBD): Open Meetings Act/Inspection of Public Records Act Training. NM Attorney General's Office has many trainings scheduled around the state for 2019. Please see their website for current information. Trainings are free, but you should RSVP to roadshows@nmag.gov or (505) 490-4863. All MPOs/RTPOs are strongly encouraged to attend this training.
- 11/13-11/14, all day: FHWA's "How to Develop a Pedestrian Safety Action Plan" training; Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center in Las Cruces; email <a href="mailto:shannon.glendenning@state.nm.us">shannon.glendenning@state.nm.us</a> by 10/18 if interested in attending.
- 11/21-11/22, all day, Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA), Santa Fe: <u>Tribal Safety Summit;</u> more information TBD. Save the date!

Thanks,

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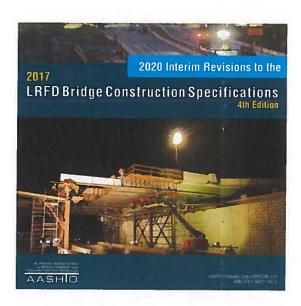
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#### **AASHTO PUBLICATIONS WEEKLY UPDATE**







# AASHTO RELEASES NEW BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION INTERIM REVISIONS!

AASHTO Publications has released <u>2020 Interim Revisions to the LRFD Bridge</u> <u>Construction Specifications</u>, 4th Edition, which was published in 2017.

These interim revisions contain updated information for the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications, 4th Edition. The revisions provide more information on Ultrasonic Impact Treatment (UIT) systems, soil nails, and static stand-wedge performance tests to reflect current research, including the following:

- Section 7, Earth Retaining Systems: Revised information on horizontal drains and soil nail walls;
- Section 10, Prestressing: Revised static stand-wedge performance test information;
- Section 11, Steel Structures: Clarified acceptable uses of post-weld UIT systems;
- Section 27, Concrete Culverts: Added additional supplemental material reference; and
- · Section 34, Soil Nails: A newly added section.

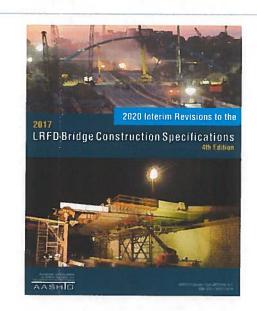
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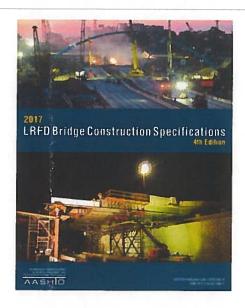
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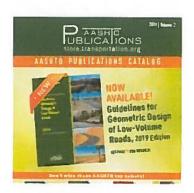
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# Don't Miss Out: New Concrete Testing Series and Course on Maintenance Liability Now Available

This month we've launched a new series titled "Inspection of Concrete," which is made up of seven courses on test methods related to sampling and testing fresh concrete. The goals of this series are for you to understand the basics of testing freshly mixed concrete and for you to be competent with specific test procedures. The four courses described in more detail below are now live.

Because highways are intended for public use and are maintained at the public's expense, state DOTs are always working to keep streets and highways in safe condition. This is accomplished through scheduled maintenance and inspection. Occasionally, however, a mistake is made and litigation or a lawsuit occurs. TC3's newly launched Maintenance and Tort Liability course teaches general definitions of legal terminology and liability proceedings that are typical of many state DOTs. Read more about this course below.

#### Did You Know?

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## **Inspection of Concrete Series**

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- AASHTO Designation: <u>T 309 Temperature of Concrete</u>
- AASHTO Designation: <u>T 119 Slump of Fresh Concrete</u>
- · AASHTO Designation: T 121 Density, Yield, and Air Content

There are three more courses in the series, which will be live next month. They are:

- Introduction to Concrete
- AASHTO Designation: T 152 Air Content by the Pressure Method
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There are five modules in this course. They are:

- · Introduction to Maintenance and Liability;
- · Deficiencies and Negligence:
- Risk Assessment;
- · Notice and Claims: and
- · Lawsuits.

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- · Describe the relationship between highway maintenance and litigation;
- · List the common issues that lead to claims;
- · List examples of deficiencies that can result in tort liability;
- · Explain the relationship between tort and negligence;
- · Summarize the different elements and types of negligence:
- · Explain the role of risk management in tort liability;
- · Explain how risk management activities attempt to reduce liability:
- Define the term "notice":
- · Explain how a claim progresses through an agency;
- · Explain the involvement of a state agency in a civil lawsuit;
- · List legal terms that are associated with a civil lawsuit; and
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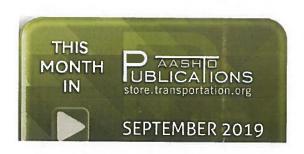
Yes, most of you are "back in the office" from those relaxing summer vacations. The kids have gone "back to school." And, we, here in the AASHTO Publications Department, are "back to work" on a bunch of new publications and projects this season, all of which you'll be reading about in this issue.

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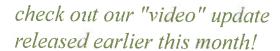
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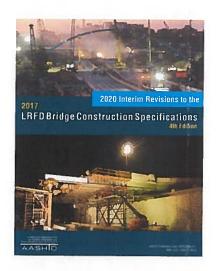


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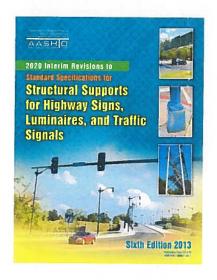
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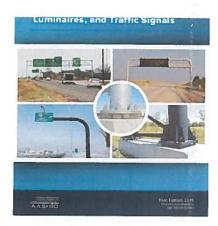
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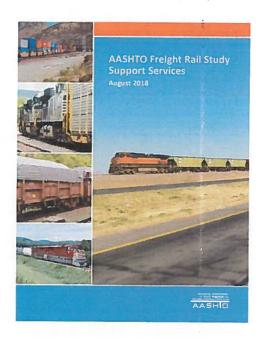
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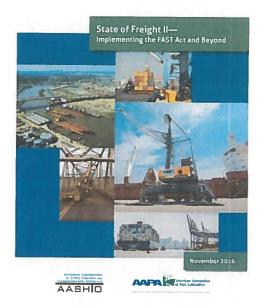
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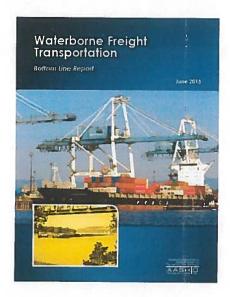
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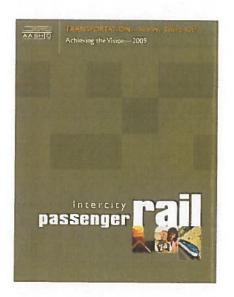
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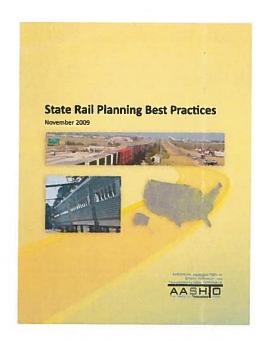


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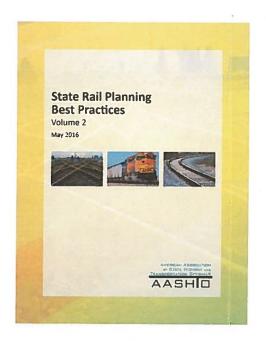
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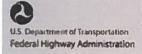
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### Robert Kuipers

Thu 9/5/2019 9:32 AM

### RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

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## RTPO members and DOT colleagues:

Especially Tribal Members - note the training opportunities coming up around the safety umbrella in Albuquerque.

Some of you or your colleagues might be interested in attending? Appreciation to Mr. Gaylord Siow for sharing this!

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**Greetings TTAP Students,** 

Great news! The Tribal Technical Assistance Program will be returning to New Mexico. We will have roadway safety workshops, October 15 to 18 in Albuquerque, NM. We would like to extend an invitation to to you to attend one or all of the eight half day roadway safety workshops as our guests free of charge. Also, we need your help. If you could please, forward this on to other interested parties in Transportation or Planning. We would appreciate it!

The attached flyer has descriptions and times for the workshops. They contain a lot of valuable information and it's a chance to network with other Tribal and Local Agency leaders in the area. Registration is easy, just email a list of attendees with a contact email and phone number to <a href="todd.ttap@virginia.edu">todd.ttap@virginia.edu</a>. Also include which workshops you would like to attend, and we'll take care of the registration process.

The workshops will be held at:

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Thank you,

Todd

Todd Morrison, P.E.

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Albuquerque, NM Instructor: Todd Morrison

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OCT 15   8:30 - 12:00 "LOW COST SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS"
Low Cost Safety Improvements (LCSI) is a 3.5-hour training class condensed from Road Safety 365. It is designed to provide tribal agencies with practical and effective ways to implement low cost safety solutions into their day-to-day activities, reducing collisions, injuries, and fatalities. Topics discussed include the need to make roads safer, road safety myths vs. realities, how to "read the road" and improve safety in the community, and practical and proven low cost countermeasures for safety.
OCT 15   1:00 - 4:30 "ROAD SAFETY AUDITS/ASSESSMENTS"
Participants in this 3.5-hour class will learn how to improve transportation safety by applying a proactive approach to reduce accidents and their severity in tribal lands. These techniques address examination of a roadway by an independent, qualified audit team. The RSA is a way for an agency to improve safety and to communicate to the public how they are working toward accident reductions. This class includes topics including RSA definition and history, how to conduct a RSA, and identifying the common safety issues found with RSAs.
☐ OCT 16   8:30 - 12:00 "IMPROVING SAFETY BY CONTROLLING ROW"
In Indian Country, the most common type of crash is the run-off-the-road crash. The impact on the vehicle when it leaves the road determines the survivability of that crash. Railroad grade crossings represent another common crash location for tribal families. This 3.5 hour class identifies some of the hazards that are built, planted or placed in the Right of Way that can lead to crashes. It will also explore some of the common problems with railroad crossings and will identify the safety features of those crossings.
OCT 16   1:00 - 4:30 "ROUNDABOUTS"
Roundabouts are a proven safety solution for reducing the frequency and severity of intersection crashes and are increasingly being used on tribal lands. This 3.5-hour class presents an introduction to the basics of roundabout geometry, the safety and other benefits of roundabouts, how to overcome opposition, and basic design elements of roundabouts.
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Indian Country Transportation Systems are managed by many Tribal, Federal, State and Local Agencies involved in providing a safe and efficient transportation system to keep up with growth and development. To enable tribal areas access to Federal, State and Local funds that have been provided to assist with the tribal transportation systems, a data/evidence-driven decision process, a Tribal Transportation Safety Plan, needs to be developed. This class will explore the resources provided by the FHWA to assist each of the tribal areas in the development of these plans.  OCT 17   1:00 - 4:30 "SAFETY DATA: WHAT DO I COLLECT AND HOW DO I COLLECT IT" This 3.5 hour safety data class will assist tribal agencies as they are developing a Tribal Safety Plan to gather and review the data needed when developing or updating those plans. As a Safety Plan is being developed, assumptions about concerns and issues may be made, while these concerns are based on experience and are very real, not all of the solutions may be apparent. This class will assist participants to gather the whole picture, enabling them to develop a Data and Evidence Driven Decision as they develop/update their Safety Plan.  OCT 18   8:30 - 12:00 "CRASH DATA ANALYSIS" This 3.5-hour class offers participants a basic understanding of the data/evidence-driven process and its role in the development of a Tribal Safety Plan. The data/evidence-driven decision process used with a Safety Plan requires an organization to understand the process of analyzing both road segment and intersectional crash data. It also requires an organization to identify possible causes and trends within the data. Participants will also learn effective corrective actions to reduce the threat of additional crashes.  OCT 18   1:00 - 4:30 "SAFE TRANSPORTATION FOR EVERY PEDESTRIAN (STEP)" Eleven percent of all crashes that occur on tribal lands are pedestrian-related. A safe transportation system must address the needs of the multi-modal transportation system, especially where bikes and pedest
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# Fw: TRB Webinar: Understanding and Using Census Data for Tribal Transportation Programs

## **Robert Kuipers**

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FYI - Oct. 17, 3pm our time.
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**Programs** 

I don't know if both of you get these, but I thought I would share since you have tribal nations to plan with.

Sincerely,

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## TRB Webinar: Understanding and Using Census Data for Tribal Transportation Programs

Tribal transportation planners are invited to a TRB webinar on Thursday, October 17, 2019, from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM ET. This webinar will provide information about accurately counting tribal communities in the American Community Survey and the 2020 census. The American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) census has a significant role in several federal fund distribution formulas, including the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) administered by the Federal Highway Administration and Bureau of Indian Affairs. The TTP's reliance on an Indian Housing Block Grant regulation for determining AI/AN population for each federally recognized tribe has seen fluctuations based on 2016 rule changes. The United States is also actively preparing for the 2020 census.

This webinar was organized by the TRB Standing Committee on Native American Transportation Issues. There is no fee to attend this webinar; however, sign into <a href="MyTRB.org">MyTRB.org</a> to view registration information.

Webinar Presenters

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RTPO members, With appreciation to Ron Shutiva, reference the opportunity below.

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## Innovation Exchange Webinar: 2019 Build a Better Mousetrap Winners Thursday, October 3, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm (EST)

Calling all INNOVATORS WHO ARE Construction and Maintenance Engineers, Hydraulic Engineers, Designers, Bridge Engineers, Planners, Project Managers, Public Outreach Professionals, Traffic Managers, Mouseketeers....

Join us and hear how local agencies are bringing new ideas to life. Whether the idea is big or small, these inspirations are inventive solutions to universal predicaments faced by local and tribal agencies. This year, over thirty creative individuals submitted their local high-value solutions under the Build a Better Mousetrap. Register and attend to find out how.

Winning Topics and Panel/Presenter Members

Pushing-it-Around; Spreader Stack Rack
Matthew VanLew, Township Road Master
East Brandywine Township, Chester County, PA,

Looking Around with Sleds Underground

Jeff Busch, Inspector and Scott Holmes, Transportation Supervisor

Olmstead County Public Works, Rochester, MN

Steering Around in Temporary Roundabouts

Eric Lippert, Traffic Unit Police Officer
City of Wilmington, NC

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