

8th Annual Alaska Tribal Transportation Symposium

March 30-April 1, 2010

Fairbanks, AK

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AGENDA

Monday, March 29, 2010

8:30 to Noon Alaska Tribal State Federal Transportation Task Force Meeting

12:00 to 5:00 P.M. Registration Table Open

1:00 -5:00 Pre Symposium Tribal Leader Training (Open to anyone)

Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) Program Training for Tribal Leaders (75 m)

- Terminology – Julianne Baltar, ANTTTC and Jeff Harman, BIA
- History – Julianne Baltar and Jeff Harman
- Making the IRR Program work for your Tribe - Gerry Hope, Sitka and Gary Stevig, Chickaloon
- Critical Timelines - Jeff Harman

How State and National Tribal Organizations can support the Tribal Leaders on transportation authorization and issues (45 m)

- NCAI – Gwen Salt
- AITC – Invited
- AFN – Invited
- ITA - Howard Mermelstein

(Break near 3:00)

Transportation Planning and Priorities LTAP (75 m)

- Safety
 - Safe Routes to Schools – Steve Soenksen, DOT&PF

- Access
 - Scenic Byways – Marcheta Moulton, DOT&PF
- Mobility – FTA Representative --- Steve Becker, ATTAP and David Levy, Alaska Mobility Coalition
- Maintenance - Jeff Harman, BIA

Long Transportation Planning Process (30 m) - Steve Becker, ATTAP

Note: Alaska’s Congressional Delegation has been invited and we will make room on our agenda to accommodate them.

Tuesday, March 30, 2010 - SYMPOSIUM – DAY 1

7:30 – 8:30 Registration Open and Morning Coffee

8:30 A.M. General Session

- Opening Prayer
- Greeting and opening remarks from Tanana Chiefs Conference, Jerry Isaacs
- Greeting from Mayor of Fairbanks and Mayor of Fairbanks Borough
- Senator Mark Begich
- Transportation in Alaska
- Meeting Introduction - ATTWG Chair Julianne Baltar and Vice Chair Gerry Hope

9:30 A.M. ARRA Update (60 m)

- BIA – Sheldon Kipp, BIA Division of Transportation
- FTA – to be determined
- FHWA – Robert Sparrow/Clara Conners
- State DOT&PF – Jeff Ottesen, DOT&PF

10:30 A.M. Break

10:45 A.M. Update on BIA Transportation Program in Alaska - Stuart Hartford, AK Region

11:15 A.M. AK Tribal State Federal Transportation Task Force Report Robert Keith, Tribal Co-Chair / Frank Richards, State Co-Chair / Jeff Harman, Federal Co-Chair

11:30 A.M. Questions/Answers and Public Comment

12:00 – 1:30 P.M. Lunch on own

1:30 – 5:00 P.M. Concurrent Sessions

1) Tribal Leader: Setting up your Transportation Program, Part 1

- **Working with the IRR and other Transportation Programs (75 m)**
 - STIP – Irene Gallion
 - State Transit – Liz Balstad
 - Denali Commission Transportation Program – Mike McKinnon/Tessa Rinner
 - Implementation:
 - Workforce continuity – Jerry Woods, Jon Dunham, Tony Delia

(Break near 2:45 P.M.)

- Staffing and using consultants - Julianne Baltar (45 m)
- Native Hire in employment and contracting - Michael Douglas, John Navarro (60 m)

2) Technical Session: IRR Inventory and Transportation Planning

Inventory – Sheldon Kipp (60 m)

Transportation Planning ATTAP (30m)

Safety

- Safe Routes to Schools – Steve Soenksen

Access

- Scenic Byways – Marcheta Moulton

Mobility

Bob Sparrow, Clara Conners, FTA to be determined. David Levy,
Alaska Mobility Coalition

(Break near 2:45 P.M.)

Long Transportation Planning Process ATTAP Steve Becker

- STIP – Irene Gallion
- State Transit – Eric Taylor
- Tribal Transit – FTA to be determined

Wednesday, March 31 – Symposium-Day 2

7:30 – 8:30 Coffee

8:30 to Noon General Session

- Accuracy of IRR Inventory Sheldon Kipp, Howard Mermelstein (30 m)
- Panel on Implementation of 25 Code of Federal Regulations 170 Appendix C to Subpart C, Q 10

History, Interpretation, and SAFETEA-LU

What is fair and equitable?

Panel:

- **Sampson Begay – Navajo Nation Tribal Council – confirmed**
- **Lyle Deere, Osage Nation - Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Council - confirmed**
- **AK Representatives -Bruce Baltar, Howard Mermelstein**
- **NCAI – Gwen Salt**
- **Federal Representatives - Sheldon Kipp, Bob Sparrow**

(Break near 10:00 A.M.)

11:30 A.M. Audience Comments

12:00 to 1:30 Luncheon – Keynote Henrika Buchanan-Smith, FTA Director of Office of Transit Programs, Washington, D.C.– update on tribal transit program and reauthorization from FTA’s perspective

1:30 – 5:00 P.M. Concurrent Sessions

1) Tribal Leader: Setting up your Transportation Program, Part 2

- **Tribal Transit (FTA to be determined, Gerry Hope, Eric Taylor)**
- **Contract Implementation**
 - **Federal Transit Administration - FTA to be determined**
 - **Federal Highway Administration- Clara Conners, Bob Sparrow**
 - **Bureau of Indian Affairs - to be determined**
 - **Office of Self-Governance Matt Kallappa,, Ken Reinfield or Shari Freeman/ and Bruce Baltar (backup only to discuss process)**
- **Audience Q and A**

2) Technical – Road Inventory Field Data System (RIFDS) Training, Part 1

Trainers: ATTAP – Steve Becker/BIADOT Sheldon Kipp, Lorenzo Castillo, Clarence Kie

Thursday, April 1 – Symposium-Day 3

7:30 – 8:30 Morning Coffee

8:30 A.M. Addressing Alaska’s Unique Tribal Transportation Safety Needs

FHWA -Liz Hoffman

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration – Jon Moppet

Federal Aviation Administration – David Karalunas

Bureau of Land Management – To be determined

National Park Service – To be determined
U.S. Forest Service – Marie Messing
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium – Hillary Stayer
Village Public Safety Officers and AK State Troopers – Jim Knopke, TCC
Homeland Security Bob Stewart, State,

10:15 A.M. Break

**10:30 A.M. Update on FHWA Tribal Contracting Clara Conners/Liz Hoffman
Highlights FHWA IRR Inventory Report to Congress
FHWA Transportation Inventory Phase II Workgroup**

11:30 A.M. Questions/Answers and Public Comment

12:00 – 1:30 P.M. Lunch on own

**1:30 – 5:00 P.M. Concurrent Sessions
(Break near 3:00 P.M.)**

1) Tribal Leader: Setting up your Transportation Program, Part 3

- Priorities Howard Mermelstein
- IRR TIP Sheldon Kipp, Julianne Baltar
- STIP Irene Gallion
- Reauthorization – the issues, and what is at stake
 - NCAI – Gwen Salt
 - ITA – Howard Mermelstein
 - AFN – Jerry Isaacs
- Flier for technical assistance - Irene Gallion, Julianne Baltar
- Rolls and Responsibilities (panel discussion)

Q/A and Additional Issues Round Table

2) Technical – RIFDS Training, Part 2

Friday April 2, 2010 – After Symposium Session

7:30 – 8:00 Morning Coffee

8:00 to 12:00 ATTWG Business Meeting

8:00 – 5:00 One-on-One meetings with Office of Self-Governance if confirmed, FTA

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12:00 – 1:30 Lunch on Own