



Conference Announcement and Invitation to Participate



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10th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads



**July 24–27, 2011
Hilton–Walt Disney World®
Lake Buena Vista, Florida**

Time Line

January 2009	Call for Papers
December 1, 2009– March 31, 2010	Website Open for Submission of Draft Manuscripts
July 30, 2010	Review Comments to Authors
August 1–31, 2010	Website Open for Nonpaper Presentation Synopses
November 30, 2010	Final Manuscripts Due
January 2011	Preliminary Program and Registration Materials Available

www.trb.org/conferences/2011/10LVR

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Conference Theme

Low-Volume Roads: Our Connection to the World

You Are Invited!

The **Transportation Research Board (TRB)** is pleased to invite you to attend the 10th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads, which will be held in Lake Buena Vista (Orlando), Florida, on July 24–27, 2011.

The conference, held every four years, will feature the latest information about low-volume road management, design, construction, safety, maintenance, and many other related topics.

Please enter your contact information in the online survey at www.trb.org/conferences/2011/10LVR or send an e-mail to LVR@nas.edu to receive the Preliminary Conference Program and registration materials.

Who Should Attend?

Those who administer, plan, design, build, or maintain low-volume roads will learn innovative ways of managing low-volume road systems. The conference is organized for practitioners worldwide in local, state, and federal agencies; universities; private firms; and international organizations. Previous conferences have typically attracted 300 or so transportation professionals from all continents.

Conference Location

The Hilton, located in the Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, offers easy access to all of Orlando's and Florida's attractions. Local venues include Walt Disney World, Epcot, Disney's Animal Kingdom, Universal Studios, Sea World, Discovery Cove, Wet 'n' Wild, Downtown Disney, Pleasure Island, Cirque du Soleil, and Cypress Gardens.



The Hilton, a Four Diamond resort, provides free shuttles to Disney parks. Extended park hours are available for hotel guests. Downtown Disney and Pleasure Island are within walking distance. The Hilton offers 74,000 square feet of meeting space, wireless and high-speed Internet, a 24-hour business center, two pools, and seven on-site restaurants.

The sunny Atlantic and Gulf Coast beaches are less than 75 miles away! The Kennedy Space Center and the Everglades are within easy driving distance.

The room rate will be the government per diem rate applicable on the conference date. The rate will be available three days before and after the conference to accommodate an extended vacation stay. The 2008–2009 per diem rate for Orange County, Florida, is \$109 plus tax.

Conference Format

Registration will open on Sunday, July 24, 2011. Several workshops will be offered that day. Workshop details will be announced in the Preliminary Conference Program. The conference will begin with a general session on Monday morning, July 25. A series of three or four concurrent sessions organized by topical interest will follow.

Topical sessions will continue on Tuesday morning, July 26. A half-day field trip on Tuesday afternoon is planned for the study and observation of low-volume road issues. Participants in the field trip will have an excellent opportunity to exchange information. Details will be announced in the Preliminary Conference Program.

Topical sessions will continue on Wednesday, July 27, with a general session at the end of the afternoon.

Social events will include a gala reception on Sunday evening and a Monday luncheon featuring presentation of the Yoder Award for the outstanding paper. The conference will close with a traditional banquet dinner on Wednesday evening.

Conference Fee

As a special TRB activity, the conference must be self-supporting. The cost of editing and producing the conference *Proceedings* is supported in part through the contributions of the conference sponsors. The registration fee is currently estimated at \$400. The fee will cover social activities, breaks, the field trip, and preconference workshops.

Details concerning payment for the participation of companions and spouses in conference social activities will appear in the registration materials.

Pre- and Postconference Workshops

Planning is under way to offer several educational workshops in conjunction with the conference. Details will be announced in the Preliminary Conference Program.

The workshops will be offered on Sunday, July 24. Typically there are several half-day or full-day programs that provide an opportunity to delve into a topic more fully.

A one-day postconference technical tour may be arranged if sufficient interest exists. An additional fee may be charged for that activity.

Call for Papers and Presentations

Papers are solicited on all aspects of low-volume roads and streets. Papers will be peer reviewed for acceptability.

Case studies involving practical aspects of planning, building, maintaining, and managing low-volume roads are particularly encouraged. Some suggested areas of interest, with emphasis on low-volume road applications, are as follows:

- Planning
- Finance and Economics
- Design and Construction
- Pavement Performance
- Structures and Drainage
- Sustainability Issues
- Case Histories
- Operations
- Safety
- Maintenance
- Innovative Materials Solutions
- Soil-Stabilizing Technologies
- Environmental Impacts
- Energy-Affected Roads

Topics that are pertinent and suitable for discussion at the conference are not limited to the above. All offerings relevant to low-volume roads are welcomed.

Presentations that are not accompanied by a published paper will be considered for the conference. Timely topics that are not fully developed by the due date for draft manuscripts may be presented informally. Papers that were rejected during the peer-review process may *not* be resubmitted for informal presentation.

The conference website may allow submission of additional “Hot Topics” in low-volume roads for consideration at roundtable discussion events during the meeting.

Submission of Papers

Submit draft manuscripts of papers to

www.trb.org/conferences/2011/10LVR no later than March 31, 2010. All papers will undergo peer review in accordance with standard TRB policies. Consideration will be given to the practical nature of the papers that are sought for this conference.

Reviewers' comments will be forwarded to the authors with suggestions for needed changes by July 30, 2010. Authors will be expected to incorporate the suggestions into their papers and submit the final manuscript by November 30, 2010.

All authors who submit a final manuscript are expected to register for the conference and present their papers (see Submission of Presentations).

Accepted papers will be published in the *Transportation Research Record: Journal of the Transportation Research Board* and distributed on site to all conference registrants.

Information for Authors

Information for Authors will be posted on the conference website. The instructions will cover preparation and submission of manuscripts, style and organization, and paper review criteria.

Submission of Presentations

Presenters who wish to offer a presentation without an accompanying published paper must submit a synopsis at www.trb.org/conferences/2011/10LVR between August 1 and August 30, 2010. Each synopsis will be reviewed for its relevance to the conference theme. Changes may be required on the basis of reviewers' comments.

Accepted presentations will be grouped into topical sessions and loaded onto the conference a/v equipment before the conference. This will avoid problems and delays during the presentations. All presentations must be submitted a few days before the conference. Detailed instructions will be provided to each presenter.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the TRB 10th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads website for the most up-to-date information about the conference, including Information for Authors, registration materials, Hot Topics, Preliminary Conference Program, and so forth.

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For inquiries, suggestions, and general correspondence, please use the conference mailbox:

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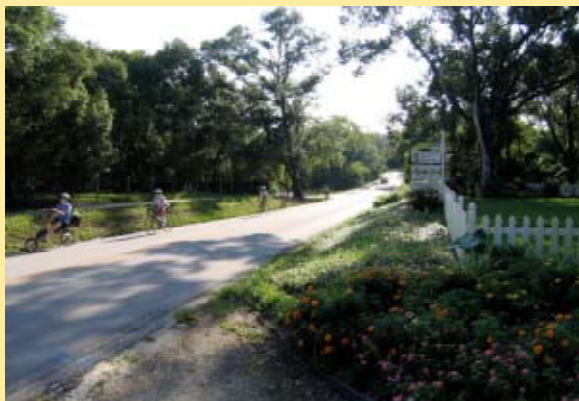


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