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The objective of the 6th International Symposium on Snow Removal and Ice Control Technology is to provide a forum for the exchange of information about state-of-the-art and the state-of-the-practice in research and technology applications to improve snow removal and ice control operations in transportation systems. This symposium includes presentations on winter maintenance policy, management and performance, winter severity, customers’ perspectives on winter operations, environmental stewardship, personnel involvement and support, monitoring road conditions during winter events, winter weather data quality, models and information, winter operations support, material distribution, performance and residual, large-volume snow control, bridge support systems, and winter maintenance vehicle advancements. Maintenance engineers and researchers from the following countries have been invited to present their papers: Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom, and the United States. The symposium is being conducted by the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Committee on Winter Maintenance in cooperation with the Washington State Department of Transportation, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), and the Federal Highway Administration.

Participation in the symposium is open to all interested parties. TRB extends a special invitation to representatives of federal, state, county and city departments of transportation, universities, and manufacturers of snow removal and ice control products.

**REGISTRATION**

**Technical Program.** The registration fee for attendees is $350 for those who advance register by May 7, 2004 and $450 for those who register after this date or at the symposium. The registration fee for technical program attendees covers the Monday evening reception, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday breakfasts and breaks, Monday and Tuesday lunches, and a copy of the symposium proceedings. Registration is on-site only after May 7. Refunds will be issued, less a $25.00 cancellation fee, for all cancellations received in writing by Friday, May 7, 2004. No refunds will be issued thereafter.

**Open Format Spouse/Guest Activities.** The registration fee for spouse/guests is $60. The fee covers the Monday evening receptions, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday breakfasts. The Monday morning breakfast will provide an opportunity for accompanying persons to get acquainted and a list of activities in the Spokane area will be provided for individuals to develop their own agenda.

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST SNOWFIGHTERS CONFERENCE-June 9-11, 2004-Spokane Center**

TRB 6th International Symposium on Snow Removal and Ice Control Technology attendees are invited to register and participate in the technical program of the Pacific Northwest Snowfighters (PNS) Conference scheduled for June 9-11, 2004 at the Spokane Center adjacent to the Doubletree Hotel Spokane City Center. Registered attendees for the TRB Symposium are invited to participate at no additional cost in the PNS Conference Equipment Trade Show on Wednesday afternoon, June 9, 2004. Note that attendance at the PNS Conference activities on Thursday and Friday (June 10-11) will require an additional registration fee.

**ACCOMMODATIONS**

The conference will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Spokane City Center, 322 North Spokane Falls Court, Spokane, Washington 99201. Limited rooms are available at the hotel on a first-come, first-served basis at the TRB symposium rate of $63.00 per room for single/double occupancy plus applicable taxes (currently 10.1%) until May 7. Contact the Doubletree Hotel Spokane City Center at 800-222-TREE or 509-455-9600 and ask for the Transportation Research Board rate. Reservations will be accepted after May 7 based on availability. If you will be attending the PNS Conference on Thursday and Friday (see above), please adjust your hotel departure date.

**GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

The Doubletree Hotel Spokane City Center is located at 322 North Spokane Falls Court, Spokane, Washington. The Doubletree Hotel Spokane City Center offers complimentary airport transportation from 4:30 a.m. to Midnight. Use the courtesy telephone in the airport baggage claim area to request the shuttle. One-way taxi fares are approximately $20.

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3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

Monday, June 7, 2004

7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Opening Session
Wilfrid A. Nixon, University of Iowa, presiding
Welcome
TBD
Keynote Address
Implementing Snow & Ice Control Research, SNOW04-056, Leland D. Smithson, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. BREAK

Track A
10:00 a.m.-Noon Winter Operations Support
Daniel S Roosevelt, Virginia Transportation Research Council, presiding
Winter Road Maintenance Decision Support System (MDSS) Project: Overview and Status, SNOW04-005, Paul A. Pisano, Federal Highway Administration; Andrew D. Stern, Mitretek Systems, Inc.; William P. Mahoney III and William L. Myers, National Center for Atmospheric Research; Dennis Burkheimer, Iowa Department of Transportation
Development of an Advanced Winter Road Management Support System for Greater Sapporo, SNOW04-039, Yuji Yamagiwa, Yasuhiko Kajiya, and Tatsuya Uemura, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido
Implementing an Algorithm to Predict Winter Storm Road Conditions and Recommend Treatment Actions: Results and Lessons Learned, Robert G. Hallowell, MIT Lincoln Laboratory; George L. Blaisdell, U.S. Army Cold Region’s Research & Engineering Laboratory; William P. Myers, National Center for Atmospheric Research
Guidelines for Snow and Ice Control Materials and Methods, SNOW04-059, Robert R. Blackburn, Consultant; Duane E. Amsler, AFM Engineering Services; Karin M. Bauer, Midwest Research Institute

Track B
10:00 a.m.-Noon Material Distribution for Snow & Ice Control
Leland D. Smithson, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, presiding
Using Salt Distribution Pattern, Friction and AVL to Evaluate Methods for Reducing Spreader Cycle Times, SNOW04-013, Max S. Perchanok, Ontario Ministry of Transportation
Implementation of the New Sanding Method in Norway, SNOW04-025, Torgeir Vaa, SINTEF Roads and Transport
Alberta’s Benchmark Model for Maintenance Winter Service Delivery, SNOW04-057, Steve Otto, Alberta Transportation
Anti-Icing & Material Distribution Performance Measures for Achieving Level of Service via Mobile Data Collection, SNOW04-004, Gregory E. Thompson, ThomTech Design, Inc.
Noon-1:30 p.m.  LUNCH

Track A
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.  Customers’ Perspectives on Winter Operations
Ingrid Brakop, Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, presiding
Importance of Winter Urban Traffic Issues and Performance Indicators as Rated by Businesses, SNOW04-045,
Chigako Yamamoto, Kunihiro Kishi and Keiichi Sato, Hokkaido University; Fumihiro Harah, Hokkaido
Development Engineering Center
Conjoint Approach as Customer-Based Measurement for Winter Walkway Maintenance in the Most Snowfall
Metropolitan City of Japan, SNOW04-011, Roberto A. Tokunaga, Naoto Takahashi and Motoki Asano, Civil
Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido
Study on Effects and Evaluation of Winter Road Information, SNOW04-023, Yasuhiko Kajita, Takehiko Suzuki,
Masaru Matsuzawa and Tatsuya Uemura, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido

Track B
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.  Winter Pavement Temperatures
Dennis Kroeger, Iowa State University, presiding
Effect of Blowing Snow and Snow Fences on Pavement Temperature and Ice Formation, SNOW04-030, Ronald D.
Tabler, Tabler & Associates
Road Surface Temperature Forecasting: A Case Study in a Mountainous Region in Japan, SNOW04-019
Noriyuki Sato, Indiana University-Bloomington; J.E. Thommes, The University of Birmingham; Teruhiko Maruyama,
Nagaoka University of Technology; Akira Sugimura, Hokuriku Regional Development Bureau; Takashi Yamada,
Hokuriku Construction Association
A First Principles Pavement Thermal Model for Topographically Complex Terrain, SNOW04-035, Edward E. Adams
and L.R. McKittrick, Montana State University, Bozeman; P. Gauer, Norwegian Geotechnical Institute; A.R.
Curran, ThermoAnalytics, Inc.

3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.  BREAK

Track A
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  Personnel Involvement and Support
Max S. Perchanok, Ontario Ministry of Transportation, presiding
Quality Improvement of Winter Services in Denmark, SNOW04-052, Freddy Knudsen, Danish Road Directorate
Analysis of RWIS Users in California and Montana, SNOW04-060, Lisa Ballard, Montana State University, Bozeman

Track B
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  Residual Material
Wilfrid A. Nixon, University of Iowa, presiding
Patterns of Residual Salt on Road Surface: Case Study, SNOW04-017, Göran Blomqvist and Mats Gustafsson, Swedish
National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI)
Field Persistence of Anti-Icing Sodium Chloride Residuals, SNOW04-049, Christopher L. Hunt, Gayle F. Mitchell and
Wallace Richardson, Ohio University

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  RECEPTION

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION
7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.  CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
Track A
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  Winter Weather Models and Data Quality
Jan Olander, Swedish National Road Administration, presiding
The Winter Model – A Winter Maintenance Management System, SNOW04-015, Carl-Gustaf Wallman, Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI)
Forecasting Terrain Dependent Weather Conditions: Details of a Model-Chain Sequence, SNOW04-051, Ladean R. McKittrick, Edward E. Adams, Montana State University; P. Gauer, Norwegian Geotechnical Institute; J. Mewes, Meridian Environmental Technology, Inc.; A.R. Curran, ThermoAnalytics, Inc.
Verification of the Road Weather Forecast System Run During the 2003 Demonstration at the Iowa Department of Transportation, SNOW04-003, Ben C. Bernstein, Jamie K. Wolff, Seth Linden and William L. Myers, National Center for Atmospheric Research
Quality Management for Road Weather Data, SNOW04-026, Tuomo Iivanainen and Matti Pettersson, Intrinsic, Ltd.

Track B
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Material Performance
Richard L. Hanneman, Salt Institute, presiding
Norwegian Experience with Use of Magnesium Chloride, SNOW04-024, Torgeir Vaa, SINTEF Roads and Transport Assessment of SafeCote-A New De-Icer Product, SNOW04-064, Marilyn Burtwell, Transport Research Laboratory, UK
Development and Evaluation of Non-chloride Anti-freeze Admixture, SNOW04-038, Toshiya Takeshi, Kazuhiro Kobayashi, Seishi Meiariishi, Incorporated Administrative Agency of Public Works Research Institute (PWRI)
Agricultural By-Products for Anti-Icing and Deicing Use in Michigan, SNOW04-009, Steve Kahl, Michigan Department of Transportation

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. BREAK

Track A
10:30 a.m.-Noon Winter Weather Information
Paul A. Pisano, Federal Highway Administration, presiding
FinnRAs Web Road Weather Project, SNOW04-008, Kimmo Toivonen, Jouko Kantonen, Finnish Road Administration
The Development of the Automated Real-Time Road Weather System (ARROWS), SNOW04-010, S. Edward Boselly, Washington State Department of Transportation
Objective State of Road Weather Monitoring in Finland in Year 2007, SNOW04-021, Yrjö Pilli-Sihvola, Finnish Road Administration; Jukka Lähesmaa, SysOpen, PLC

Track B
10:30 a.m.-Noon Winter Maintenance Vehicle Advancements
Yasuhiko Kajiya, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido, presiding
A Business Case for Winter Maintenance Technology Applications: Highway Maintenance Concept Vehicle, SNOW04-034, Dennis A. Kroeger and Reggie Sinhaha, Iowa State University
Needs Assessment and Cost Benefit Analysis of the RoadView™ Advanced Snowplow Technology System, SNOW04-006, David Kack and Eli Cuehol, Montana State University, Bozeman
GIS-Based Analysis of Intelligent Winter Maintenance Vehicle Data, SNOW04-029, Alan Vonnderohe, Teresa Adams, Carola Blazquez and Justin Maloney, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Thomas Martinelli, Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Noon -1:30 p.m. LUNCH

Track A
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Winter Maintenance Policy and Management
John P. Burkhardt, Indianapolis Department of Public Works, presiding
Research on the Level of Winter Road Management, SNOW04-037, Takashi Yamada, Hokuriku Construction Association; Akira Sugimura, Hokuriku Regional Development Bureau; Teruhiko Maruyama, Nagaoka University of Technology
The Proactive Snow and Ice Control Toolbox, SNOW04-061, Leland D. Smithson, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
Planning Blowing-Snow Control Facilities According to Danger Assessment: Development of a New Highway Snowstorm Countermeasure Manual, SNOW04-042, Yasuhiko Ito, Masaru Matsuzawa and Yasuhiko Kajiya, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido

Track B
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Bridge Winter Support Systems
Donald M. Walker, University of Wisconsin, Madison, presiding

An Implementation of Using a Conductive Concrete Overlay for Bridge Deck Deicing at Roca, Nebraska, SNOW04-002, Christopher Y. Tuan, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Sherif A. Yehia, Western Michigan University

State-of-the-Art Fixed Automated Spray Technology (FAST), SNOW04-001, Jerry R. Waldman, Surface Systems, Inc.; Quixote Transportation Safety, Inc.

Bridge Frost Occurrence and Prediction, SNOW04-048, Tina M. Greenfield, Eugene S. Takle, Brian J. Tentinger and Jose J. Alamo, Iowa State University; Dennis Burkheimer and Diane McCauley, Iowa Department of Transportation

3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. BREAK

Track A

3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Environmental Stewardship
Susan Feldman, Salt Institute, presiding

Icy Road Management Using CMA to Meet Environmental and Customer Expectations in New Zealand, SNOW04-050, Alan Burkett, Transit New Zealand; Nick Gurr, Opus International Consultants

Washington State Department of Transportation 2002-2003 Salt Pilot Project, SNOW04-044, Rico V. Baroga, Washington State Department of Transportation

Track B

3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Large-Volume Snow Control
Richard J. Nelson, Nevada Department of Transportation, presiding

GIS Based Three-Dimensional Snow Drift Computer Model, SNOW04-007, Robert B. Haehnel, U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory; Glen Liston, InterWorks Consulting

Development of Advanced Snowbreak Fences, SNOW04-020, Masaru Matsuzawa, Yasuhiro Ito and Yasuhiro Kajiya, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido; Shinya Fujiwara, Sekisui Jushi Corp; Masayuki Murakami, Sanei Kogyo Co. Ltd.

Avalanche Hazard Reduction on USR 89/191 (Jackson, Wyoming) Using Snow Sails, SNOW04-062, Rand Decker, Northern Arizona University; Robert Rice, University of California at Merced; Leroy (Ted) Wells and Jamie Yount, Wyoming Department of Transportation

Wednesday, June 9, 2004

7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Track A

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Monitoring Road Conditions During Winter Events
S. Edward Boselly, Washington State Department of Transportation, presiding

Winter Road Condition Model, SNOW04-016, Staffan Möller, Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI)

Inverse Estimation of Friction Coefficient of Winter Road Surface Using Vehicular Motion Data Measured by GPS-Equipped Probe Vehicles, SNOW04-043, Takashi Nakatsuji, Hokkaido University; Akira Kawamura and Tikakuni Maeda, Kitami Institute of Technology

Using Taxi GPS to Gather High-Quality Traffic Data for Winter Road Management Evaluation in Sapporo, Japan, SNOW04-036, Naoto Takahashi, Syuji Miyamoto and Motoki Asano, Civil Engineering Research Institute of Hokkaido

Track B

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Material Performance – Part II
Dan Williams, Montana Department of Transportation, presiding

The Role of Performance Specifications in Developing a Quality Control System for Winter Maintenance, SNOW04-046, Wilfrid A. Nixon, George Kochumman, Ju Qiu, Lin Qui, and Jing Xiong, University of Iowa

De-Icing Trials on UK Roads: Performance of Pre-Wetted Salt Spreading Compared to Dry Salt Spreading, SNOW04-063, Marilyn Burtwell, Transport Research Laboratory, UK; and Peter Whitfield, UK Highway Agency
9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. **BREAK**

**Track A**

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. **Performance and Winter Severity**

Rand Decker, *Northern Arizona University*, presiding

**Performance Audit Method for Winter Maintenance**, Marilyn Burtwell, *Transport Research Laboratory, UK*; and, Adrian Runacres, *Consultant*

**Indiana Winter Severity Index**, SNOW04-014, Bob McCullouch, *Purdue University*; Dennis Belter, Tom Koncieszny and Tony McClellan, *Indiana Department of Transportation*

**Track B**

10:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. **Environmental Stewardship – Part II**

Rico Baroga, *Washington State Department of Transportation*, presiding

**Modeling the Exposure of Roadside Environment to Airborne Salt: Case Study**, SNOW04-018, Mats Gustafsson and Göran Blomqvist, *Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI)*


11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. **Closing Session**

John P. Burkhardt, *Indianapolis Department of Public Works*, presiding

**Closure**

TBD

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