



Making Progress Transportation Planners and Programmers Turn Ideas into Reality

May 23–25, 2012

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CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	AASHTO Standing Committee on Planning (SCOP)	
Wednesday, May 23		
7:00 a.m.–8:45 a.m.	AASHTO SCOP Subcommittee Meetings	
	Subcommittee on Data	
	Subcommittee on Policy	
7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	<i>38th Floor</i>
7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration	<i>38th Floor</i>
	Concurrent Workshops	
8:00 a.m.–noon	Transportation for Communities: Advancing Projects Through Partnerships	<i>Sunlight Peak</i>
8:00 a.m.–noon	Safety Planning Boot Camp	<i>San Luis</i>
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11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	Lunch and Overview of Denver Union Station	<i>Mount Sopris</i>
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10:30 a.m.–noon	Bringing It Home and Closing	Capitol Peak
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	Committee Meetings	
12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m.	TRB Transportation Programming, Planning, and Systems Evaluation Committee (ADA50)	LaPlata Peak
12:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.	TRB Multimodal Transportation Planning Committee (ADA10)	Castle

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The American Planning Association program to certify Continuing Maintenance (CM) credits for Certified Planners Certification are offered for most of the sessions at this conference. The sessions approved for CM credits and a form to keep track of those sessions will be available at the registration desk. *Please note that the CM credits have been requested and are subject to approval.*



WELCOME

Welcome to the Mile High City! We hope you are ready to dive into the steps transportation planners and programmers take to turn ideas into reality—from setting long-range visions and plan development to investment decisions and project programming. Over the next several days, you'll participate in activities ranging from mini peer exchanges to discussions with experts on the latest strategies and technologies in the areas of stakeholder outreach, partnerships, collaboration, scenario planning, effective communication, performance measurement, and investment prioritization.

This conference builds on four successful statewide transportation planning and programming conferences but takes a new tact by bringing the two disciplines—planning and programming—together. This merger acknowledges that the transportation landscape around us is expanding in breadth and becoming less compartmentalized. Partnering, sharing ideas, and learning from each others' experiences will be critical to moving forward.

We hope you find the conference sessions and activities energizing—take part in the speed networking event on Wednesday evening, stop by the tools and technology showcase on Thursday afternoon, submit a fresh idea in the drop box, and participate in the Amazing Race—Denver challenge for a chance to win a prize. Before leaving the conference on Friday afternoon, each of you will develop an action plan to implement the new approaches and tools you discovered at the conference.

The conference would not be possible without the dedication and time of our Conference Planning Committee and the generous support of our sponsors: Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Colorado Department of Transportation, Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments, Cambridge Systematics, HDR Engineering, and CDM Smith.

We hope you will leave this conference with expanded knowledge and strengthened connections to help you achieve your goals in the areas of mobility, preservation, livability, environment, economic competitiveness, and safety.



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Learn more about other TRB committee activities and become involved by visiting the following websites:

TRB Statewide Multimodal Transportation Planning Committee (ADA10)
<https://sites.google.com/site/statewideplanning/>

TRB Transportation Programming, Planning and System Evaluation (ADA50)
<http://www.trb-programming.org/>

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AASHTO SCOP CONFERENCE AGENDA

Tuesday, May 22

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

AASHTO Standing Committee on Planning (SCOP)

Wednesday, May 23

7:00 a.m.–8:45 a.m.

AASHTO SCOP Subcommittee Meetings

Subcommittee on Data

Greg Slater and Cassandra Issackson

Subcommittee on Policy

Sandi Kohrs

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m., *38th Floor*

Continental Breakfast

TRB CONFERENCE AGENDA

Wednesday, May 23

7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., *38th Floor*

Registration

8:00 a.m.–noon, *Sunlight Peak*

Transportation for Communities Workshop: Advancing Projects Through Partnerships

Janet D'Ignazio and Beverly Bowen, ICF International

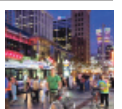
The purpose of the SHRP 2 Capacity Program C01 project was to create a collaborative decision-making framework for the implementation of new capacity projects. Transportation for Communities—Advancing Projects through Partnerships (TCAPP) was launched in January 2010 to make the framework (now the Decision Guide) available through a web-based application at www.transportationforcommunities.com. The Decision Guide is a structure of the key decisions that are common to all transportation agencies in the earliest phases of decision making: long-range planning, programming, corridor planning, and environmental review merged with permitting. This workshop focuses on introducing the TCAPP web tool and helping participants access the information and support that it provides. Also highlighted will be the cross-phase linkages available in the Decision Guide that illustrate how decisions made in planning and programming have relevance at many other key decision points throughout the planning process.

Introducing TCAPP

General TCAPP Tour

Facilitated Discussion

Tuesday, May 22, and Wednesday, May 23, 2012



Getting Started: What's your issue?

Continued Testing of Relevant Interests

8:00 a.m.–noon, *San Luis*

Safety Planning Boot Camp Workshop

Susan Herbel, Deb Miller, and Nicole Waldheim, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.; Mike Meyer, Georgia Institute of Technology

Are transportation planners able to meaningfully integrate safety into the planning and programming activities—or do capacity, environmental impacts, and political priorities dominate the decision-making process? Since 1998, when federal legislation first addressed safety as a planning requirement, planners have struggled to answer the question: how do we meaningfully integrate safety into our planning products and programs? Establishing safety as a goal is easy, but what comes next? Early on, this was a particular challenge because safety planning was mostly reactive, which doesn't fit planning for a 20-year and longer horizon. However, the importance of safety has increased dramatically in the last decade, and proactive, long-range planning is feasible. And the benefits of reducing crash frequency or severity have become well known in the context of livability and community public health. This interactive workshop is designed to provide a framework and tools for addressing safety in the long-range planning process and other planning exercises. Please join us for the workshop and sharpen your understanding of safety in planning. You will leave with concrete steps for turning vision into reality and plans into programs.

What Is Safety? What Is Holding You Back?

Where Do I Start? What Help Is Available?

What Do I Need to Do?

How Can I Use This Experience?

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m., *Capitol Peak*

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Harlan Miller, Planning Oversight and Stewardship Team Leader, *Moderator*
Don Hunt, Colorado Department of Transportation;
Mike Hancock, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and AASHTO SCOP Chair;
Neil Pedersen, SHRP 2, Transportation Research Board; and
Patricia Hendren, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority,
and Alix Bockelman, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, *Conference Cochairs*

This session sets the tone for the conference as you hear from some of the leading voices in transportation planning. Conference sponsor and Associate Administrator for the Federal Highway Administration Harlan Miller will lead the panel. The session begins with a welcome to Colorado by Don Hunt, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Transportation. Next, Mike Hancock, Kentucky Transportation Secretary and Chair of the AASHTO Standing Committee on Planning, will outline current planning opportunities provided by the shift toward performance-based planning. Neil Pedersen, former Maryland State Highway Administrator and currently Deputy Director of the SHRP 2 program will follow with a keynote talk highlighting the importance of planning and discussing how the innovative work of SHRP 2 can help planners make progress on key transportation issues. Conference cochairs Patricia Hendren and Alix Bockelman will outline conference activities for the next few days, including the four-step structure: Step 1: Establishing the Vision; Step 2: Road Map to Vision; Step 3: Vision to Reality; and Step 4: Are We Making Progress?



2:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m., *Capitol Peak*

Step One: Establish the Vision

The long-range vision is the starting point from which transportation plans and programs emerge. From the vision, goals are established and objectives are set. This session will use seven case studies to engage participants in sharing experiences and perspectives about the visioning process. The session will lead off with a brief presentation of several case studies that focus on one of three components of the visioning process: (1) Engaging the Public; (2) Communicating with Decision Makers; and (3) Using Data and Tools. The case studies will feature examples from state departments of transportation (DOTs) and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and cover all aspects of the multimodal transportation system: highways, freight, transit, etc. Following the afternoon break, where participants will meet in three groups to dive into a more-detailed discussion about the case study in a mini peer-exchange, round-table format. Participants are expected to bring their own experiences and lessons learned into the dialogue.

2:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m.

Introduction to Step One: Establish the Vision

Matthew Hardy, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)

The case studies will be explored in more depth in separate breakout groups in a mini peer-exchange–round-table format. Participants are expected to bring their own experiences and lessons learned into the dialogue.

3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m., *38th Floor*

Afternoon Break

3:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

Breakout Groups:

Breakout Group 1: Engaging the Public, *Capitol Peak*

Sandi Kohrs, Colorado Department of Transportation, *Moderator*

Explore how the public was engaged through the “Establish the Vision” process and what benefits and challenges emerged.

Case Study 1: Vision 2032, Nebraska’s Long-Range Transportation Plan

Brad Zumwalt, Nebraska Department of Roads

Case Study 2: Linking Land Use and Transportation: Gauging Public Attitudes

Regina Aris, Baltimore Metropolitan Council

Case Study 3: Oklahoma DOT Long-Range Plan

Linda Koenig, Oklahoma Department of Transportation and Lisa Nungesser, Parsons Brinkerhoff

Breakout Group 2: Communicating with Decision Makers, *Sunlight Peak*

Jennifer Weeks, Parsons Brinckerhoff, *Moderator*

Discuss different techniques for keeping the range of transportation decision makers informed and engaged during the visioning process.

Case Study 4: T-Works—Transportation Works for Kansas

Lindsey Douglas, Kansas Department of Transportation; Julie Lorenz, Burns & McDonnell; and Deb Miller, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

Case Study 5: Communicating with Decision Makers—Broward 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan, “Transformation”

James Cromar, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Breakout Group 3: Using Data and Tools, San Luis

Matthew Hardy, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, *Moderator*

Discuss how data and tools were used in the case studies, including the benefits and challenges for enhancing the visioning process.

Case Study 6: Utah DOT UPlan

John Thomas, Utah Department of Transportation

Case Study 7: Using Regional Indicators to Track Progress: CMAP's GO TO 2040 Comprehensive Regional Plan

Kermit Wies, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m., *Crystal Room*

Welcome Reception and Networking

Join your fellow attendees for an evening of mixing and mingling. You can also make new contacts and get a jump start on the bingo card challenge by participating in the speed networking event! For more details, inquire at the registration table.

Thursday, May 24

7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m., *38th Floor*

Continental Breakfast

7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., *38th Floor*

Registration

8:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Step Two: Establish the Road Map

After visioning, the attention turns to the development of a long-range plan that can provide the road map to get you there, and the critical link between planning and programming starts to emerge. This session will lead off with a short introduction to long-range plan development, followed by three breakouts that go into more detail in (1) performance measures and targets, (2) scenario planning, and (3) collaboration. This session will close by bringing everyone back together to hear how agencies are using these planning techniques to inform project and program decisions.

8:00 a.m.–8:30 a.m., *Capitol Peak*

It's Not Your Grandpa's Transportation Plan

Charlie Howard, Puget Sound Regional Council

8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m.

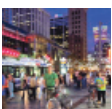
Breakout Groups:

Brief presentations will be used to begin a dialogue into long-range plan development and establishing a link between planning and programming.

Breakout Group 1: Establishing Signposts and How to Use Them, Capitol Peak

Elise Barrella, Georgia Institute of Technology, *Moderator*

How do you translate a vision into actions and measure achievement of the vision? The new reauthorization will likely include performance measurement requirements for DOTs and MPOs. This



breakout group focuses on approaches to developing measures for a variety of goals (economic prosperity, environment, equity, safety, program delivery, etc.) and frameworks for creating an organizational culture of performance management.

Measuring Road Health—What Wyoming is Moving Toward

Martin Kidner, Wyoming Department of Transportation

Integrating Performance Measures into an Evolving Capital Investment Framework

Ryan Wilson, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Tracking Progress: The Recent Evolution Toward Performance-Based Planning and Programming in the Sacramento Region

Matt Carpenter, Sacramento Council of Governments

Translating Sustainability Goals into Performance Measures: Lessons Learned from the Trenches

Leigh Blackmon Lane, Center for Transportation and Environment, North Carolina State University

Breakout Group 2: Scenario Planning: Testing Transportation Land Use Models to Achieve Performance Targets, *Sunlight Peak*

Tom Brigham, HDR Alaska, Inc., *Moderator*

What will the transportation system need to look like to achieve the community's vision? Answering this question requires looking at the complex interactions between transportation and land use and considering potential trade-offs among different objectives. This breakout explores best practices in scenario planning at regional and state levels that integrate transportation and land use. What do the scenarios look like, how were they developed, and do they meet performance targets?

OneBayArea Scenario Analysis: Surviving the Greenhouse Gas Era

Dave Ory, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Scenario Planning in Oregon: The Next Step in Integrating Transportation and Land Use Planning

Jerri Bohard, Oregon Department of Transportation

DRCOG 2040 Metro Vision Plan Development: Scenario Formation and Analytical Tools

Erik Sabina, Denver Regional Council of Governments

Your Vision, Our Future—George Washington Region Scenario Planning Study

Andy Waple, Fredericksburg (Virginia) Area Metropolitan Planning Organization; and Matt Noonkester, Seven Hills Town Planning Group, Inc.

Breakout Group 3: Collaboration for Integrated Planning: Forming Effective Partnerships, *San Luis*

Alix Bockelman, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, *Moderator*

A transportation vision and its performance targets affect more than just the transportation system and often include projects that cross jurisdictional boundaries. This breakout focuses on examples of successful partnerships for integrated transportation planning: Who was invited to the table? How did it improve outcomes? What lessons can other agencies learn as they try to forge effective partnerships?

I-15 Mobility Alliance: A Unified Partnership for Efficient Movement of People and Goods

Sondra Rosenberg, Nevada Department of Transportation

Collaborative Approaches to Performance-Based Planning

Mell Henderson, Mid-America Regional Council



FasTracks: Partnering to Complete the Vision

Del Walker, Denver Regional Transportation District

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m., *38th Floor*

Morning Break

10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m., *Capitol Peak*

Linking Planning and Programming

Sandi Kohrs, Colorado Department of Transportation, *Moderator*

This session showcases success stories where agencies are making the planning, project, and fund programming connection. Three agencies will highlight how they used their planning activities such as scenario planning and performance targets to inform their project selection and final funding program. The session explores the strategies used by these agencies to balance the tension between “project champions” and, sometimes contradictory, planning recommendations.

Making a Compelling Case: Using Performance Analysis to Guide Project Selection in the Bay Area

Steve Heminger, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Florida’s Decision-Making Framework: From Plans to Investments

Kathleen Neill, Florida Department of Transportation

FTA New Starts and Livability: Making it Happen at the Regional Level

Charmaine Knighton, Federal Transit Administration

11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., *Mount Sopris*

Lunch and Overview of Denver Union Station

Jerry Nery, Regional Transportation District, *Moderator*

Diane Barrett, Office of Mayor Michael B. Hancock, City and County of Denver; Chad Fuller, Public Finance and Infrastructure Banking, San Francisco, California; Frank Cannon, Continuum Partners, LLC, Denver, Colorado

During lunch, get acquainted with Denver Union Station and learn how it has transformed the downtown area.

1:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Step Three: Turning Vision into Reality

This session centers on selecting the best projects from the long-range plans developed in the previous steps and funding them in fiscally constrained transportation improvement programs (S/TIPs). The session begins with a panel of experts describing how their organizations (1) have embraced a performance-based project prioritization process that feeds the S/TIPs, (2) effectively sought public input and described the results of the S/TIPs, and (3) how their processes assisted policy makers to make more informed decisions. Three breakout sessions follow that focus on more detail in each of these three areas.

1:15 p.m.– 2:00 p.m., *Capitol Peak*

Panel Discussion

Denise Jackson, Michigan Department of Transportation, *Moderator*

Three experts will set the stage for the breakout groups by describing how their agency effectively integrates prioritization, communication with the public, and informing decision makers into their project selection and programming process.

North Carolina’s Transportation Reform—Prioritization, Outreach, and Reality

David Wasserman, North Carolina Department of Transportation



Going the Extra Mile: Integrating Prioritization, Outreach, and Politics into Transportation Planning in Hampton Roads, Virginia

Camelia Ravanbahkt, Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization

Creating Regional Success Through Transportation: The Southeast Michigan Experience

Jennifer Evans, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments

2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Breakout Groups

Breakout Group 1: Prioritization and Resource Allocation, *Sunlight Peak*

Patricia Hendren, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, *Moderator*

This breakout group has five quick-burst presentations that focus on different approaches for prioritizing projects within and across modes at the state or MPO level, incorporating economic impact and environmental factors into prioritization, and applying fiscal reality to a prioritized list of projects.

The “Weighty” Subject of Project Prioritization in Pennsylvania

Jim Ritzman, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

Get it Done: Effective Prioritization, Programming, and Implementation of Local Transportation Projects

Chris Lukasina and Shelby Powell, Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (Raleigh, N.C.)

Forging Innovation Through Project Prioritization

Christie Gotti, North Central Texas Council of Governments

Assessing Project Performance for the Bay Area’s First Sustainable Communities Strategy (Plan Bay Area)

Dave Vautin, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

U.S. DOT’s Final Four Strategic Direction—Driving Project Prioritization

Bill Lawrence, Utah Department of Transportation

Breakout Group 2: Communicating with the Public, *Capitol Peak*

Suzann Rhodes, CDM Smith, *Moderator*

This breakout group uses a speed-presentation format that allows participants to circulate among multiple presenters to learn about innovative approaches for seeking input from the public and stakeholders on project selection and techniques for communicating the results of the prioritization process and projects programmed in the S/TIP.

Getting Your “ACT” Together

Jerri Bohard, Oregon Department of Transportation

“STIP”ing to Better Communication in Maryland

Reena Mathews, Maryland State Highway Administration

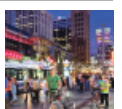
“But My Mother Told Me Not to Talk to Strangers”

Craig Casper, Pikes Peak Metropolitan Planning Organization

2035 Regional Transportation Plan: A Roadmap for Engaging Stakeholders in Mobility Beyond Roads

Mary Beth Ikard, Nashville Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Stakeholder Consensus: Nobody Said This Was “Gonna” Be Easy

Scott Reed, Denver Regional Transportation District

Breakout Group 3: Assisting Policy Makers—Politics and Programming, San Luis

Steve Pickrell, Cambridge Systematics, Inc., *Moderator*

This breakout group explores from both the state and MPO perspective how agencies have established prioritization processes that recognize both technical merit and political reality.

Meeting the Planning and Programming Challenges of Unplanned Pork

Gian-Claudia Sciara, University of California, Davis

Making Cents: Georgia’s Transportation Sales Tax Referendum

Cindy VanDyke, Georgia Department of Transportation

Politics and Programming—Observations from the Front

Tom Brigham, HDR Alaska, Inc.

3:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m., *38th Floor*

Afternoon Break

4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m., *Capitol Peak*

Tools—Technology Showcase

Participants are invited to explore a range of tools and technologies that planners and programmers are using to turn ideas into reality. Actual users of innovative tools will guide participants through case studies demonstrating the capabilities of a wide range of tools used for scenario development and testing, community engagement and priority setting, data visualization, investment analysis and prioritization, risk analysis, and more.

TREDIS Plan and Project-Level Economic Impact Analysis

David Wasserman, North Carolina Department of Transportation; Deb Miller, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.; and Julie Lorenz, Burns & McDonald

Network-Level and Project-Level Benefit–Cost Analysis

Nat Coley, Federal Highway Administration

MetroPulse Regional Indicators in Chicago

Kermit Wies, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

ProjectTracker Software Federal Transportation Improvement Plan Application

José Luis Cáceres, Sacramento Area Council of Governments, and Anne Heppel, EcoInteractive

Snapshot Analysis

Jennifer Yeaman, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

UPlan Interactive Geographic Collaboration Tool

John Thomas, Utah Department of Transportation

INRIX Traffic Information for Planning and Programming

Wenjing Pu, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

Decision Lens Interstate Management Program Project Prioritization

Michael Schultz, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation



CommunityViz Scenario Planning Software Application

Chris Lukasina, Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, Raleigh, North Carolina; and Matt Noonkester, Seven Hills Town Planning Group

4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

Denver Union Station Tour

Tour Denver Union Station. The walking tour includes information on the storied history of Union Station (1800s to the present day). Learn about the early station buildings and famous travelers who visited Denver by train, hear about the new Union Station neighborhood and its transformation of downtown, get an update on the expansion of RTD's transit services coming to the area, and witness construction of the largest transportation redevelopment project in North America first hand. Participation limited to those with reservations.

6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

Amazing Race—Denver

Join a team of up to four participants to compete on a scavenger hunt—a fast-paced sightseeing tour through downtown Denver to find various local treasures. Please remember to bring your camera or cell phone camera and comfortable walking shoes.

6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Dine About Town

Choose from six different select restaurants downtown that range in price and style, with something for every taste. Each group of eight conference participants will have a leader from the conference planning committee. Join in this opportunity to make new friends. Sign up at the registration desk—first come, first served.

Friday, May 25

7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m., 38th Floor

Continental Breakfast

7:30 a.m.–noon, 38th Floor

Registration

8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m., Capitol Peak

Step Four: Are We Making Progress?

Neil Pedersen, SHRP 2, Transportation Research Board, Moderator

This session addresses the question of whether we are making progress in improving the fit between the vision, long-range plans, capital programs, and eventual outcomes. Both technical and organizational challenges and solutions to tracking progress toward the vision will be explored, highlighting how the state of the practice has evolved over the last 10 years. The session will use a combination of brief expert presentations, moderated panel discussion, and audience questions-and-answers to consider the effectiveness of tools and methods for monitoring performance results, organizational structure for effective performance management, and understanding and managing the role of uncertainty and financial risk in the planning and programming process.

Tools and Methods for Monitoring Performance Results

Craig Newell, Michigan Department of Transportation

Tracking Implementation Progress with Snapshot Analysis

Jennifer Yeamans, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

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Managing Risk and Uncertainty in Capital Planning

Jeff Carroll, CDM Smith

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m., *38th Floor*

Morning Break

10:30 a.m.–noon, *Capitol Peak*

Bringing It Home and Closing

Before leaving the conference and returning to the demands of your jobs, this three-part session will give you a road map to take what you have learned over the past 3 days and “bring it home.” First, the session begins with a presentation by a former state DOT CEO highlighting the best practices, inspiring programs, and exciting ideas from the conference sessions. You will then work in small groups to create an action plan to implement what you learned at the conference when you return to work. Finally, conference awards will be presented for winners from the bingo cards, Amazing Race–Denver, and best three ideas selected from the “fresh idea drop boxes” collected during the conference.

Introduction and Overview of Session

Suzann Rhodes, CDM Smith

Making Planning Matter

Gordon Proctor, Gordon Proctor & Associates

Small Group Exercise

(Attendees work in small groups to create “action plan” to implement new ideas from the conference on returning to work.)

Presentation of Conference Awards

Conference awards will be presented for winners from the bingo cards, Amazing Race–Denver, and best three ideas selected from the “fresh idea drop boxes” collected during the conference. Participants must be present to win.

Noon

Conference Adjourns

Committee Meetings

12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m., *LaPlata Peak*

TRB Transportation Programming, Planning, and Systems Evaluation Committee (ADA50)

(All conference participants welcome; lunch provided to committee members only)

12:30 p.m.–2:30p.m., *Castle*

TRB Multimodal Transportation Planning Committee (ADA10)

(All conference participants welcome; lunch provided to committee members only)



UPCOMING EVENTS

North American Travel Monitoring Exposition and Conference (NATMEC)

June 4–7, 2012
Dallas, Texas

2012 TRB–AASHTO Policy Committees' Summer Meeting: Mapping the Future

June 25–27, 2012
Irvine, California

2012 TRB Planning Committees Summer Meeting

July 8–11, 2012
Irvine, California

Measuring the Transportation System from a Supply Chain Perspective

July 11, 2012
Irvine, California (by invitation only)

Transportation Knowledge Networks—Broadening the Base: A Workshop

July 12–13, 2012
Irvine, California

12th National Light Rail and Streetcar Conference

November 12–13, 2012
Salt Lake City, Utah

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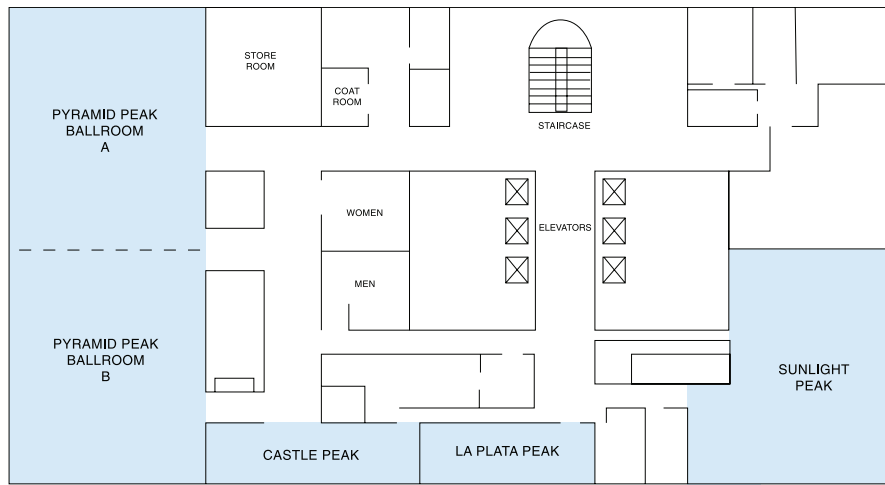
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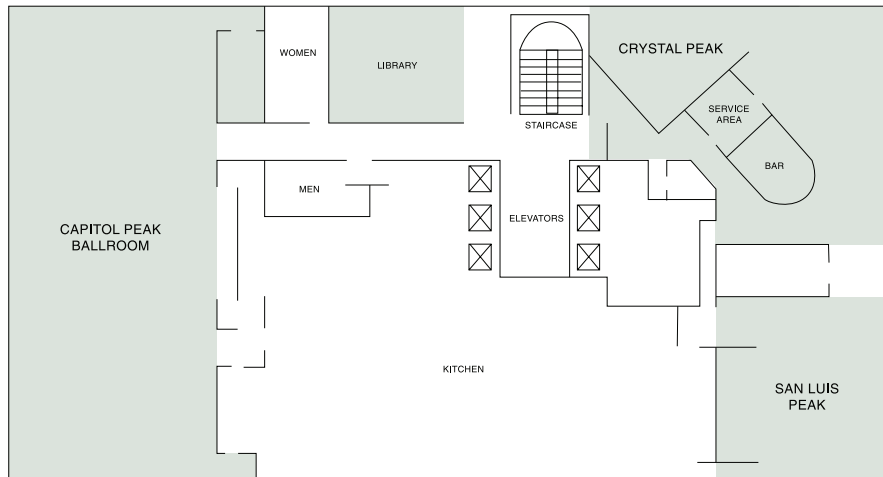
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