Help Solve America’s Transportation Challenges

Volunteer for Panel Service

The Transportation Research Board (TRB), part of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, provides near-term solutions for problems facing state, regional, and local transportation agencies; airports; and transit agencies through its Cooperative Research Programs. Research is conducted by contractors with technical oversight provided by a panel of 8-10 practitioners and industry experts who volunteer from transportation agencies, academia, and private consulting firms.

Why Volunteer to Serve on a Panel?

- Help solve problems of national importance and advance the state of practice.
- Cultivate leadership skills and professional expertise while networking with experts and peers.
- Join a community of practice with transportation planners, engineers, and researchers.
- Directly contribute to new products, techniques, and guidelines to create a safer, more reliable, and cost-effective transportation service.

Who Should Volunteer?

- Industry leaders and subject matter experts.
- Qualified practitioners who reflect the nation’s diversity and represent a variety of backgrounds and life experiences.

What Are Volunteers’ Responsibilities?

- Attend three in-person meetings (travel expenses are paid for).
- Develop a request for proposals and recommend research contractors.
- Monitor research progress, review reports and deliverables, and provide feedback on the contractor’s work.
- Participate in occasional conference calls.
- Support research implementation.

Additional Information

TRB periodically announces opportunities to serve on research project panels in the TRB E-Newsletter; subscribe at http://www.trb.org/Publications/PubsTRBENewsletter.aspx

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