2022
AMPO
ANNUAL
CONFERENCE
OCT 25-28, 2022
MINNEAPOLIS, MN
It is always exciting to get together at the AMPO Annual Conference to share our successes, discuss our challenges and form relationships that will aid all of us as we build out our nation’s transportation infrastructure. We are honored to host the 2022 event on the 60th anniversary of the 1962 Federal-Aid Highway Act that created MPOs for regional transportation planning. I would like to personally thank everyone involved in putting this conference together.

The Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities is a unique organization because we’re both an MPO and a transit operator, as well as the primary planning agency for the seven-county metropolitan area. We also operate one of the nation’s most efficient and cost-effective wastewater treatment systems. The Minnesota Legislature has invested us with these duties because it saw a need for a single entity to address regional issues, too big for any one city or county to do alone.

As the “new normal” of recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic continues to emerge, we all are keenly aware of how important it is to work closely with countless individuals and organizations in our cities and neighborhoods as we make shared plans that bring prosperity to our region.

In addition, we know how critically important it is for all of us to move intentionally toward a more equitable region. We need to take every opportunity to engage neighbors in discussions about how we will create equitable opportunities for everyone to prosper. Examining how we build more equitable communities is no longer just one task before our organizations. It must be part of everything we do. From housing to parks to wastewater pipes, from planning to buses and trains, we have to ask one question about all of our work:
How do we make our communities equitable and inclusive place to live and prosper? I believe this conference will highlight the ways we can all be part of the solution.

The Twin Cities region is building out a system of new rapid transitways. We’ve recently begun service on our METRO Orange Line bus rapid transit. The Federal Transit Administration has awarded a letter of no prejudice for our METRO Gold Line bus rapid transit project, which will operate mostly in dedicated guideways. We have two arterial bus rapid transit routes in operation, and several in various stages of planning and development. Fast and frequent, all-day rapid transit service held on to the most ridership during the pandemic and is the best opportunity for enticing choice riders back to our system.

During your stay here, I hope you have an opportunity to use our transit system to explore our region. We are offering free transit passes so you can see our system firsthand. We are also offering bus rapid transit tours on our operating lines. Transit also connects us to a world class regional park system that has more visitors than Yellowstone, Yosemite and the Grand Canyon combined, at the same time linking us to incredible local culture, sporting, and shopping.

But the real attraction of this event is the incredible line up of speakers who are on the cutting edge of work being done by MPOs across the nation. This is a chance for us to learn new things, find inspiration, and build friendships and partnerships that benefit every part of the nation.

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Dutchess County Transportation Council
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Honorable Mention:
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Ithaca, NY

National Award for Excellence in MPO Coordination and Partnership
Wasatch Front Regional Council
Salt Lake City, UT

Honorable Mention:
Denver Regional Council of Governments
Denver, CO

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Commissioner Karen Williams Seel
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Honorable Mention:
Chairwomen Debra March
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National Award for Excellence in MPO Staff Achievement
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Ronald F. Kirby will be remembered as a leading expert in transportation planning and a key figure in the MPO community. The Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award honors the contributions and advancements that Ron made. AMPO honors outstanding efforts in planning and leadership from an individual who has advanced or promoted the cause of planning in the public arena. We are honored to present this years Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award to Jerry Blair from the East-West Gateway Council of Government in St. Louis, Missouri.

The Ronald F. Kirby Lifetime Achievement Award

Jerry Blair
East-West Gateway Council of Governments
The METRO Orange Line is a 17-mile highway Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line connecting the communities of Minneapolis, Richfield, Bloomington, and Burnsville along I-35W; Minnesota’s busiest commuter corridor. The Orange Line provides fast, reliable, all-day service in both directions, seven days a week. Learn how the region came together to support this critical transit investment that also includes street and highway improvements, upgraded transit stations, specialized vehicles and improved connecting bus routes.

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Join us for an informal, fun competition where teams battle to see who has the greatest knowledge of transportation trivia hosted by Chris Evilia of the Lexington Area MPO.

Bring a team or come and join one! Fun for everyone! Prizes! Drinks and pub food provided!
The AMPO General Membership Meeting will provide an update on AMPO events, welcome new members, announce the results of the 2023 Board of Directors election, and present the 2022 AMPO award winners!

Led by AMPO Executive Director, Bill Keyrouze, and AMPO Board President, Ron Chicka.

Conference Mobile Tour | Minneapolis Walking Tour

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Lunch Panel hosted by Tane Danger

Tane is a Minnesota native, and is on a mission to make good things fun. He holds a Master’s in Public Policy and is an emcee, comedian, teacher, and speaker. He is best known as the host of the nationally renowned civics-inspired improv comedy show, The Theater of Public Policy. For lunch he will be joined by Chair Charlie Zelle, Commissioner Nancy Daubengerber, and Margaret Anderson Kelliher.
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Dr. Kate Beane holds a PhD in American Studies from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. She is the Executive Director of the Minnesota Museum of American Art, and serves as adjunct faculty in American Indian Studies at the University of Minnesota. In 2019, Dr. Beane presented a Minneapolis TEDX talk titled “The Lasting Legacy of Place Names” helping to educate the public on the name restoration process of Bde Maka Ska, her ancestral village site, and the largest lake in south Minneapolis.

Names hold meaning, and public places carry the memories of many generations. As the Indigenous peoples of Mni Sota, all too often Dakota peoples’ contributions to the state and region are not adequately acknowledged. Sometimes a change in process or policy is required to become more welcoming in public spaces, and there are steps we can each take to be more inclusive of American Indian peoples and Nations. We are the original stewards of these lands, and our languages, cultural traditions, and stories must be told on our own terms and in our own voices.

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Pre-Conference Mobile Tour
METRO Orange Line BRT

Hotel Lobby

🎓 2 AICP Credits | Registration Required

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1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Joint Policy & Technical Committee Meeting

Committee Members Only

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Policy Committee Meeting

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

Committee Members Only

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Technical Committee Meeting

Crystal Lake

Committee Members Only

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
AMPO Board of Directors Meeting

Chase Boardroom

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Registration

Atrium

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Exhibit Hall

Atrium

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
WORKSHOP 1

Pre-Conference Workshop
Think Big: Envisioning the Future of Transportation

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

🎓 1.5 AICP Credits | Registration Required
AASHTO, TRB, and other partners are involved in a multi-year effort to describe a future vision for transportation in the United States and the collective and individual actions state DOTs, MPOs, and other partners could take to achieve this vision by 2030, under NCHRP 20-24 (138). Join a thought provoking, highly interactive workshop to examine the tides, waves, and ripples shaping the future of transportation and identify one or more “moonshots” move us all to the future.

John Kaliski, Cambridge Systematics

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
WORKSHOP 2
Pre-Conference Workshop
Effective Performance Target Setting Workshop

Birch | Maple Lake

1.5 AICP Credits | Registration Required
This workshop session will provide an opportunity for participants to learn about effective methods for setting transportation performance targets, based on the results of National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Project 23-07. The session will highlight technical methods for setting targets (e.g., different methods available, procedures for applying methods, and issues to consider) as well as process issues (e.g., effective practices related to coordination, ways to make the target setting process valuable) and provide opportunities to learn from peers about effective target setting practices.

Michael Grant, ICF
Hannah Twaddell, ICF
Anna Batista, High Street Consulting

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
WORKSHOP 3
Pre-Conference Workshop
Housing as a Planning Factor

Pine | Cedar Lake

1.5 AICP Credits | Registration Required
The IIJA/BIL adds Housing as a Planning Factor and encourages MPOs with a population of over 200,000 to develop a housing coordination process/plan that addresses the integration of housing, transportation, and economic development strategies through a process that provides for effective integration, based on a cooperatively developed and implemented strategy, of new and existing transportation facilities eligible for funding under this title and chapter 53 of title 49. During this interactive workshop, participants will hear from the FHWA and FTA Offices of Planning as we discuss these new provisions. The workshop will also include presentations from fellow MPOs and feature breakout sessions.

Spencer Stevens and Steve Call, FHWA Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty
Reena Mathews, Office of Planning & Environment, FTA
Kofi Wakhisi, Atlanta Regional Commission
Mikala Jordan, Wasatch Front Regional Council
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Pre-Conference IIJA Workshop with policy advisor Levon Boyagian

IIJA Workshop - AMPO Members Only

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

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Pre-Conference Mobile Tour
Minneapolis Walking Tour

Hotel Lobby
1.5 AICP Credits | Registration Required
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10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Pre-Conference Mobile Tour
METRO Arterial BRT Downtown Walking Tour

Hybrid Public Involvement | Best Practices for Hybrid Public Involvement

Ballroom 3
1.25 AICP Credits

Moderator:
- Lyn Erickson, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

Hybrid Meetings: Bridging the Virtual and In-Person Experience
- Judy Dellert-O’Keef and Brian Elgort, Charlotte Regional TPO
Shifting the Paradigm on Public Engagement: Hybrid Models for a Post-Pandemic World
- Chet Parsons, Plan RVA
- Ann Cundy, Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission
- Ashley Dobson, Avid Core

1:45 PM - 3:00 PM
SESSION 2
EJ 1 | Improving Mobility for Vulnerable Communities
Ballroom 4
☞1.25 AICP Credits + ☞ 1 AICP Equity Credit
Moderator:
- Becky Karasko, North Front Range MPO

Highlighting Equity within a Congestion Management Process
- Brian Fineman and Eugene McGuinness, North Jersey TPA
- Michael Grant, ICF

ITS for Underserved Communities: An Overview of the USDOT’s ITS4US Deployment Program
- Elina Zlotchenko, USDOT
- Kelly Dixon, Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council
- Chris Zeilinger, Community Transportation Association of America
- Anat Caspi, University of Washington
- Natalie Smusz-Mengelkoch, ICF

1:45 PM - 3:00 PM
SESSION 3
MPO Roles and Relevancy | MPO Organization & Strategic Planning
Deer Lake | Elk Lake
☞1.25 AICP Credits
Moderator:
- Bill Austin, Morgantown Monongalia MPO

Moving Forward with Purpose: CRTPO’s Strategic Plan
- Robert Cook, Charlotte Regional TPO
- Rich Denbow, Cambridge Systematics

MPO Form and Function: The Evolution of MPOs as Independent and Hosted Agencies
- Greg Stuart, Broward MPO
- Don Scott, Lee County MPO
- Robert Balmes, Ocala/Marion County Transportation Planning Organization

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Coffee Break with Sponsors

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
SESSION 1
Emerging Technology | Transition to Electrification
Ballroom 3
☞1.5 AICP Credits + ☞ 1.25 AICP Equity Credit
Moderator:
- Ryan Collins, CAMPO, Texas

Planning for Equitable EV Transitions
- Kofi Wakhisi, AICP, Atlanta Regional Commission
- Megan Day, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Implementing EV Equity at the MPO level
- Adrienne Heller, Cambridge Systematics

Chattanooga 2050 RTP EV Opportunity Areas
- Melissa Taylor, Chattanooga Regional Planning Agency
- Julie Billings, Modern Mobility Partners

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
SESSION 2
Safety | Planning & Implementation of Safety Programs
Ballroom 4
☞1.5 AICP Credits
Moderator:
- Dana Crisino, Herkimer-Oneida Counties Transportation Council

Safety First: An MPO-Led Safety Program from Analysis to Implementation
- Mark Brown, Broward MPO

Preventing Deaths and Serious Injuries - Positioning MPOs for Success
- Nicole Waldheim, Burgess Niple
- Victoria Barrett, Chicago Metropolitan Agency on Planning

Are Planners Too Safe On Safety?
- Thomas Bamonte, North Central Texas COG

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
SESSION 3
Florida MPOs’ Noteworthy Practices Lightning Round

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

1.5 AICP Credits
Florida MPOs’ Noteworthy Practices Lightning Round
- Greg Stuart, Broward MPO
- Chelsea Favero, Forward Pinellas
- Beth Alden, Plan Hillsborough
- Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Trivia Night

Minnesota Room - 6th Floor
Please join us for a fun evening of Transportation Trivia with host Chris Evilia of the Lexington Area MPO

Drinks & Pub Fare provided
Registration Required

MetroQuest

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Registration
Atrium

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Exhibit Hall
Atrium

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Breakfast
Ballroom 1 & 2

Moderator:
- Ashby Johnson, CAMPO Texas

From Vision to Moonshots: Preparing for the Future of Transportation
- Erin Aleman, Executive Director, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM
SESSION 1

Coordination and Collaboration with State and Federal Partners

Ballroom 3
1 AICP Credit

Moderator:
- Peter Koeppel, Farmington MPO

Matt Johns, Executive Director, Rapides Area Planning Commission
John Kaliski, Cambridge Systematics
Commissioner Nancy Daubenerger, Minnesota Department of Transportation
North Carolina MPO Collaboration in the development of NCDOT’s STIP
- Neil Burke, Charlotte Regional TPO
- Chris Lukasina, NC Capital Area MPO
- Tyler Meyer, Greensboro MPO
- Tristan Winkler, French Broad River MPO

Collaboration with Federal Partners
- Spencer Stevens and Steve Call, FHWA Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty
- Reena Mathews, Office of Planning & Environment, FTA

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM
SESSION 2
Resiliency 2 | Resiliency Planning & Identifying Vulnerabilities
Ballroom 4
1 AICP Credit
Moderator:
- Rea Donna Jones, Texarkana MPO

Transportation Resiliency Study for the Rockford Region
- Sydney Turner, Rockford MPO

Resiliency Planning and Funding Decisions in an Economically Strategic Location
- Cameron Walker, Permian Basin MPO
- William Frawley, Texas A&M Transportation Institute

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
SESSION 1
Coordination with Key Partners | Coordinating to Meet Regional Transportation Needs
Ballroom 3
1.5 AICP Credits
Moderator:
- Todd Lang, Baltimore Metropolitan Council

Modern Industrial Revival of the Sparrows Point Steel Plant – Regional Partners Plan for Equitable Rebirth
- Johnny Olszewski, Jr., Baltimore County Executive
- Mike Kelly, Baltimore Metropolitan Council
- Aaron Tomarchio, Tradepoint Atlantic

Met Council and Commute with Enterprise; Bringing sustainable and impactful transportation to the Twin Cities Community
- Randy Rosvold, Metropolitan Council
- Cheryl O’Connor, Commute with Enterprise

A Review of Transportation Surveys Measuring Impacts to Travel Behavior from COVID-19 that Inform Regional Transportation Planning
- Kenneth Joh, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

Transit in the COVID-19 era: early results from the 2021-2022 Twin Cities on-board survey
- Ashley Asmus, Met Council
- Eric Lind, Metro Transit
- Fred Gsell, ETC Institute
- Jonathan Ehrlich, Metropolitan Council

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM
SESSION 3
COVID Surveys | Effects of the Pandemic on Transportation & Travel
Deer Lake | Elk Lake
1 AICP Credit + 1 AICP Equity Credit
Moderator:
- Paul Calvaresi, Broward MPO
CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Initiative
- Jason Wager, Centralina Regional Council
- Robert Cook, Charlotte Regional TPO
- Randi Gates, Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
SESSION 2
EJ 3 | Working With Vulnerable Populations
Ballroom 4
🌱 1.5 AICP Credits + 🌱 1.5 AICP Equity Credits
Moderator:
- Stacy Cook, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Planning for Equity With Heart, Mind and Soul
- Hannah Twaddell, ICF
- Sherry Steine, ICF
The Vulnerable Populations Index and Efforts to Incorporate Equity into BRTB Planning Activities
- Zach Kaufman, Baltimore Metropolitan Council
Increasing tree canopy cover through an interactive prioritization tool (Growing Shade Project)
- Ellen Esch and Eric Wojchik, Met Council

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Lunch Panel Hosted by Tane Danger
Ballroom 1 & 2
- Chair Charles Zelle, The Metropolitan Council
- Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger, Minnesota Department of Transportation
- Director Margaret Anderson Kelliher, City of Minneapolis’ Public Works Department

1:45 PM - 3:00 PM
SESSION 1
Data Science and Planning | Data Collection, Analysis & Publishing
Ballroom 3
🌱 1.25 AICP Credits
Moderator:
- Tim Canan, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Region-Wide Congestion Analysis with Big Data
- Farhad Ahmadzai, Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study
- Danny Yoder, Streetlight Data
Data Science and Analytics Teams in Planning
Jonathan Ehrlich and Joel Huting, Met Council
Regional Transportation Statistics and Metrics Dashboard
- Nirav Ved, CAMPO TX
- Lance Ballard, Kimley-Horn

**1:45 PM - 3:00 PM**
**SESSION 2**
Complete Streets 1 | Pedestrian-forward Planning
Minneapolis Walking Tour Immediately Following
*Ballroom 4*
.userid=1.25 AICP Credits

**Moderator:**
- Dan Doenges, RTC of Washoe County

**SMART STEP: Addressing bicycle and pedestrian mobility challenges in Miami-Dade County**
- Aileen Bouclé, Miami-Dade TPO

**How to Advance Complete Streets In Your Region**
- Emily Kleinfelter, Denver Regional COG
- Trung Vo, Toole Design

**Planning for People First**
- Heidi Schallberg, Metropolitan Council
- Nissa Tupper, MNDOT

**3:15 PM - 4:45 PM**
**Minneapolis Walking Tour Immediately Following**
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**1:45 PM - 3:00 PM**
**SESSION 3**
Pushing the Envelope on Construction & Engineering
*Deer Lake | Elk Lake*
.userid=1.25 AICP Credits

**Moderator:**
- Bill Keyrouze, AMPO

**Metro Transportation Construction and Engineering Cooperative (MTECC)**
- Christopher Bross and Greg Stuart, Broward MPO

**Design/Construction/Engineering**
- Ashby Johnson and Ryan Collins, CAMPO TX

**3:00 PM - 3:30 PM**
**Coffee Break with Sponsors**

**3:30 PM - 4:30 PM**
**SESSION 1**
Public Involvement 1 | Best Practices for Outreach and Engagement
*Ballroom 3*
.userid=1 AICP Credit

**Moderator:**
- Reese Brewer, Frontier MPO

**A One-Stop Database to Track CRTPO’s Public Engagement Activities**
- Judy Dellert-O’Keef, Charlotte Regional TPO

**Digital Marketing Masterclass: 10 Transformative Social Media Strategies to Drive Engagement for MPOs**
- Carol Henderson, Broward MPO
- Tasha Cunningham, The Brand Advocates
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Registration
Atrium

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Exhibit Hall
Atrium

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
SESSION 2
Small MPO: Bridging the Gap for the Public
Ballroom 4
.mem 1 AICP Credit
Moderator:
Lethal Coe, Whatcom Council of Governments
Approaching GIS for Outreach as a Small MPO
Olivia Lunsford, FAST Planning
Connecting Transportation Performance Measures to Project Programming and Decision Making
Christopher Evilia and Stuart Kearns, Lexington Area MPO

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
SESSION 3
ActivitySim Panel Discussion
Deer Lake | Elk Lake
.mem 1 AICP Credit
Moderator:
Caitlin Cook, AMPO

Using ActivitySim for Transportation Forecasting
Jeffrey Newman, Cambridge Systematics
Joel Freedman, Cambridge Systematics
Dennis Farmer, Metropolitan Council
Joe Castiglione, San Francisco County Transportation Authority
Wu Sun, San Diego Association of Governments
Jilan Chen, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments
Feng Xie, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Cocktail Reception
Mill City Museum
704 S 2nd St, Minneapolis, MN 55401
Join us for a reception at the beautiful Mill City Museum. A Minnesota Historical Society Museum opened in 2003 built in the ruins of the Washburn “A” Mill on the banks of the Mississippi River. The museum focuses on the founding and growth of Minneapolis, especially the flour milling industry.

THURSDAY
Moderator:
- Chet Parsons, PlanRVA

Sharing Power: Lessons Learned on Community-Engaged Planning and Equitable Funding Framework Development
- Raleigh McCoy, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Equity Investment Analysis
- James Fister, East-West Gateway COG

Project-Level Accessibility Tool
- Anna Batista, High Street Consulting
- Bert Granberg and Julie Bjornstad, Wasatch Front Regional Council

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM
SESSION 2
Core Products | Planning Tools & Processes for MPO Core Products

Ballroom 4

1.25 AICP Credits

Moderator:
- Saleem Salameh, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

Rapid-Fire Planning: Lessons Learned Through Three Successive MTP Updates in West Virginia
- Erin Grushon, Burgess Niple
- Bethany Wild, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission

Using Strategic Planning Process to Jumpstart MPOs’ Preparation for Directional Shift in Regional Planning Process
- Dr. Mukesh Kumar and Annette Polk, Waco MPO
- Brigida Gonzalez, TX DOT

Scenario Planning for Regional Regeneration
- Alex Kone, Genesee Transportation Council

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM
SESSION 3
Freight | Freight Flows, Planning & Analysis

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

1.25 AICP Credits

Moderator:
- Craig Lyon, Municipality of Anchorage

Southern Nevada Regional Freight Plan: A Combined Analyses of Commodity Flows, Supply Chains, and Freight Performance Indicators
- Dan Andersen, Cambridge Systematics
- Andrew Kjellman, RTC of Southern Nevada

Communicating and Promoting Florida MPO Freight Priorities to the Florida Department of Transportation
- Michael Williamson, Cambridge Systematics
- Thomas Brandenstein, Whitehouse Group
- Paul Flavien, Broward MPO

Megaregional Freight Movement - Analyzing Freight Flows
- Andrea Noel, TDOT
- Mavrick Fitzgerald, Memphis Area MPO

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
SESSION 1
Resiliency 1 | Reducing the Impact of Climate Change

Ballroom 3

1 AICP Credit + 1.25 AICP Sustainability & Resilience Credit
THURSDAY

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
SESSION 2
Public Involvement 2 | Virtual Outreach & Growing Engagement

Ballroom 4

1 AICP Credit

Moderator:
- Amanda Wilson

Public Participation: Art or Science?
- Justin Mondok and Erik Svensson, Eastgate Regional COG

The Virtual Public Involvement Checklist for Success
- Dave Biggs, MetroQuest

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM
SESSION 3
Methods of Data Collection

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

1 AICP Credit

Moderator:
- Nicole McCall, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

Successful Public Surveys for Transit
- Robyn Egbert, Houston-Galveston Area Council

Field Audits Enhanced by Survey123 & ArcGIS Online
- Jad Salloum, Broward MPO

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Lunch & General Membership Meeting and 2022 Awards Ceremony

Ballroom 1 & 2

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM
SESSION 1
Complete Streets 2 | Data & Complete Streets

Ballroom 3

1.5 AICP Credits

Moderator:
- Casey Covington, Metroplan, Little Rock, AR

Non-Motorized Risk Index: Using Safety Data to Inform Regional Planning Decisions
- Daniel Capparella, Greater Nashville Regional Council

Complete Streets Through Collaboration
- Chelsea Favero, Forward Pinellas

Best Practices in the use of Big Data for Complete Streets Planning
- Danny Yoder, Streetlight Data
- Lauren Cardoni, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- Taylor Laurent, Metroplan Orlando

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM
SESSION 2
Future of Transportation | New Tools for Analyzing the Future of Transportation

Ballroom 4

1.5 AICP Credits

Moderator:
- Regina Aris, Baltimore Metropolitan Council
An MPO Success Story: Using Technology for a Sustainable Future
- Dan Lamers, North Central Texas COG
- Paul Steinberg, GoCarma

Exploring transportation net-zero emissions scenarios in the Twin Cities Region
- Mauricio Leon, Metropolitan Council
- Jason Hawkins, University of Nebraska, Lincoln

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM
SESSION 3
Transit | Addressing Changes in Transit Planning (Arterial BRT Tour Immediately Following)

Deer Lake | Elk Lake

1.5 AICP Credits + 1 AICP Equity Credit
Moderator:
- Tegin Teich, Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

TCRP H-59: Racial Equity, Black America, and Public Transportation
- Sarah Bond and Navjot Heer, Thrivance Group
- Dr. Alex Karner, University of Texas, Austin

Bus Rapid Transit and Multimodal Corridor Study - Spokane, WA
- Jason Lien, Spokane Regional Transportation Council
- Mike Tresidder, Spokane Transit Authority
- Darby Watson, Parametrix

Adapting Federal Funding Solicitation to Fit Regional Bus Rapid Transit Priorities
- Cole Hiniker, Metropolitan Council
- Kyle O’Donnell Burrows, Metro Transit

3:15 - 5:00 PM
METRO Arterial BRT Downtown Walking Tour Immediately Following

1.25 AICP Credits | Registration Required
Metro Transit and the Met Council are building a network of arterial Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lines to provide faster, more reliable, more comfortable transit service while fitting within the context of constrained urban arterial roadways. Within the limited space available, stations need to successfully coordinate with other common roadway uses including bike lanes, parking, and car traffic. On this walking tour of arterial BRT stations within a few short blocks of the conference in downtown Minneapolis, learn how Metro Transit and their regional partners turn potential obstacles into opportunities to deliver these projects.

3:15 PM - 3:45 PM
Coffee Break with Sponsors

3:45 PM - 5:00 PM
SESSION 1
MPO Staffing | Training & Retaining Future Employees

Ballroom 3

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Moderator:
- Jackson Fox, FAST Planning

Entry-Level Employee Training and Onboarding: Essential Steps for Effective Succession Planning
- Paul Calvaresi, Broward MPO
- Nicholas Torres, Whitehouse Group
From the Classroom to the Field: Engaging the Next Generation of Transportation Professionals
- Khyra Everette and Carol Henderson, Broward MPO

**3:45 PM - 5:00 PM**

**SESSION 2**

**COVID Pivoting | Organizational Resiliency to the Pandemic**

*Ballroom 4*

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- **Moderator:**
  - Mark Garrity, Oahu MPO

*The Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Taste of Transportation (ToT)*
- Paul Chance, Miami-Dade TPO

*SMART Demonstrations Projects Utilized for Food Delivery*
- Franchesca Taylor, Miami-Dade TPO

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28**

**10:00 AM - 12:00 AM**

**Conference Mobile Tour | METRO Orange Line BRT**

*Hotel Lobby*

- 2 AICP Credits | Registration Required

The METRO Orange Line is a 17-mile highway Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line connecting the communities of Minneapolis, Richfield, Bloomington, and Burnsville along I-35W; Minnesota’s busiest commuter corridor. The Orange Line provides fast, reliable, all-day service in both directions, seven days a week. Learn how the region came together to support this critical transit investment that also includes street and highway improvements, upgraded transit stations, specialized vehicles and improved connecting bus routes.

**3:45 PM - 5:00 PM**

**SESSION 3**

**US DOT Briefing | Bipartisan Infrastructure Law**

*Deer Lake | Elk Lake*

- 1.25 AICP Credits
- **Moderator:**
  - Mariia Zimmerman, Strategic Advisor for Technical Assistance and Community Solutions, Office of the Secretary
  - Ben Levine, Senior Advisor for Research and Technology, Office of the Secretary
  - Daniel Schned, Head of Project Development, Build America Bureau
  - Carl Ringgold, Project Development Lead, Build America Bureau

**5:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**Light Reception with Sponsors**

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