2007 Annual Conference Agenda

Meeting Agenda
Preliminary Conference Schedule

Sunday, June 3

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Registration
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm  CEO/Federal Highway Administration Roundtable
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm  NASTO Board of Directors Meeting
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm  AGC Meeting
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  NASTO “Welcome to Vermont” reception

Monday, June 4

7:00 am – 8:15 am  AASHTO/AGC/ARTBA Joint Committee Breakfast (by invitation only)
7:00 am – 8:30 am  General delegates breakfast
8:00 am – 5:00 pm  Registration
8:30 am – 8:50 am  Welcome & Opening Remarks
                  VTrans’ Secretary Neale Lunderville
                  NASTO President Allen Biehler
                  AASHTO President Victor Mendez

8:50 am - 10:15 am  Plenary Sessions
                    NASTO in 2010: Heading towards the next reauthorization
                    Allen Biehler (PA): Moderator
                    • John Horsley – AASHTO Exec. Director (national committee recommendations) confirmed
                    • Anne Stubbs – CONEG Exec. Director (regional picture/political Who’s who?) confirmed
                    • ARTBA/AGC - Industry perspective?

10:15 am - 10:30 am  Morning Break
10:30 am – 12:00 pm  Creating a Vision for the Region: What Does the Northeast Mean to the Nation?

Astrid Glynn, NYSDOT: Moderator

- (expand on NSTP&R field hearings with some “visioning” using economic & demographic research or forecasts from representatives in academic/consultant circles)

12:00 pm - 12:10 pm  Next year's NASTO Annual Meeting in Pennsylvania

12:10 pm – 1:30 pm  Lunch: Colonnade Room
Speaker: Mary Peters, Secretary USDOT - (invited) Report on the National Surface Transportation Policy & Revenue Study Committee

1:30 pm – 3:15 pm  Early Afternoon Concurrent Workshops

Track #1
Impact of Freight Mobility on Trade and Economics

Moderator: Greg Nadeau (MEDOT)
Theme: Intermodal/Multi-modal Transport – Challenges & Opportunities in the Northeast

Participants:
TBD

Track #2
Innovative Technology for Security & Operations Excellence

Moderator: George Schoener – I-95 Corridor Coalition
Theme: Transportation Corridors – Moving People, Moving Goods; Minimizing Risks

Participants:

Richard McDonough, NYSDOT
Phillip J. Tarnoff, Director-Center for Advance Transportation Technology, University of Maryland

3:15 – 3:30 pm  Afternoon Break
Late Afternoon Concurrent Workshops

3:30 – 5:00 pm

**Track #1**
System Preservation vs. Expanded Capacity: Is There a Happy Medium?

Moderator: Neale Lunderville, VTrans
Theme: Balancing Demand with Financial Constraints: Tools for Making Decisions in Project Selection & Delivery

Participants:
VTrans (presenter TBD) “Road to Affordability”
Edward Regan, SVP Wilbur Smith Associates
John Garrafa, Trauner Consulting

**Track #2**
The Changing Face of Passenger Rail – Intercity & Commuter Systems Overhaul

Moderator: James Boice, CT-DOT
Theme: What are the Options, Who are the Players, What’s the Cost?

Participants:
David Ewing, Consultant - legislative updates
Anne Stubbs, CONEG - regional perspective
Anne Witt, VP Strategic Partnerships & Business Development – Amtrak’s position & philosophy
Neil Moyer, FRA – the Administration’s position

6:00 – 9:00 pm **Cocktails & Dinner at Hildene**

*Tuesday, June 5*
7:00 am – 10:00 am  Registration
7:00 am – 8:30 am  General delegates Breakfast
7:00 am – 8:30 am  ARTBA/CEO Engineering Issues Breakfast
(by invitation only)

8:30 am – 8:45 am  NASTO 2007 – President’s final remarks
Where Do We Go from Here: Key Issues and Challenges that We Must
Communicate to Congress & the Administration for Reauthorization

8:45 am – 10:15 am  Early Morning Plenary – Panel Session
Making the Economic Case for Transportation Projects - Can it make a
difference in delivering projects?
Theme: Crafting a better message of Return on Investment to generate
stronger Partner/Stakeholders support for Project concepts and funding.
Moderator: ??
Presenters:
Pierre Villaire - Louis Berger Group
Ed Strocko – FHWA, Freight Management & Operations

10:15 – 10:30  Morning Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm  Late Morning Plenary - Workshop
AASHTO Congestion Summit
Moderator: Allen Biehler, PennDOT
Theme: Advancing Innovative Solutions to Address Congestion Challenges
Presenters:
Jeff Paniati, Director - FHWA Office of Operations
Tony Kane, Director- AASHTO Engineering & Technical Services
12:00 pm - Farewell  Box Lunch to go