

### **AGENDA**

# Clear Roads 2011 Kickoff Meeting:

Pooled Fund #TPF-5 (218)

Tuesday- Thursday, February 1-3, 2011 **Virginia Tech Transportation Institute** 

### **Expected Attendees:**

David Wieder, Colorado DOT Annette Dunn, Iowa DOT Tim Peters, Illinois DOT Paul Brown, Massachusetts DOT Larry Gangl, North Dakota DOT Tim Croze, Michigan DOT Tom Peters, Minnesota DOT Tim Jackson, Missouri DOT

Mike Mattison, Nebraska DOT Caleb Dobbins, New Hampshire DOT Mike Sproul, Wisconsin DOT Mike Lashmet, New York DOT Charles Goodhart, Pennsylvania DOT John Scharffbillig, APWA Lynn Bernhard, Utah DOT Allen Williams, Virginia DOT

Monty Mills, Washington DOT Cliff Spoonemore, Wyoming DOT Rudy Persaud, FHWA – D.C. Jason Norville, Aurora Colleen Bos, CTC & Assoc.

# Monday, January 31, 2011

Meet in hotel lobby at 6:45 p.m. Dinner is at 7:00 at Macados located at 922 University City Boulevard. (Shuttle provided)

# Tuesday, February 1, 2011 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Hawthorn Suites provides a free hot breakfast buffet.

Meet in the lobby at 8:30 a.m. Shuttle departs for the meeting facilities at Virginia Tech at 8:45 a.m.

| Time           | Facilitator | Topic   |
|----------------|-------------|---|
| 9:00 to 9:15   | Paul Brown  | Introductions and Meeting Objectives  |
|                |             | Meet new Clear Roads members. Provide brief overview of Clear Roads goals and activities. Primary meeting purpose is to get updated on current Clear Roads research and to select new projects for RFP development. |
| 9:15 to 10:15  | Paul Brown  | Presentations of Research Proposals   |
|                |             | Discussion and evaluation of potential Clear Roads research projects. Each TAC member will present their research proposals, taking no more than 15 minutes for each proposal.                                      |
| 10:15 to 10:30 | Break       | Break   |
| 10:30 to 12:30 | Paul Brown  | Continue Project Presentations  |
|                |             | Continue discussion and evaluation of potential Clear Roads research projects.  |
| 12:30 to 1:30  | Lunch       | A group lunch will be catered in for all attendees.   |
| 1:30 to 2:00   | Paul Brown  | Complete Project Presentations  |
|                |             | Complete discussion and evaluation of potential research projects.  |
| 2:00 to 2:30   | Colleen Bos | Implementation Projects Update  |
|                |             | Review the status of implementation of past research projects.  |
| 2:30 to 2:45   | Colleen Bos | Clear Roads Budget  |
|                |             | Colleen will provide an update on the Clear Roads budget, including current and expected available funds and expenses for research, administration, travel, and marketing.  |

| 2:45 to 3:00 | Colleen Bos           | Ranking Research Projects Rank all of the proposals presented and turn ranking sheets in to Colleen.   |
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| 3:00 to 3:15 | Break                 | Break  |
| 3:15 to 3:45 | Jason Norville        | Aurora Update Bill will present an update on Aurora projects and initiatives for the Clear Roads membership.   |
| 3:45 to 4:15 | John<br>Scharffbillig | APWA Update  John will present an update on APWA projects and initiatives.   |
| 4:15 to 4:30 | Allen Williams        | Peer Exchange 2011   |
|              |                       | Lee will update Clear Roads on the progress with planning the 2011 winter maintenance peer exchange.   |
| 4:30 to 5:00 | Tim Jackson           | State Report   |
|              |                       | Share report on winter maintenance from Missouri.  |
| 5:30 to 6:30 | Tim Croze             | Winter Operations Budget Discussion - *attendance optional* This attendance-optional session is intended to follow up on Annette Dunn's question and the subsequent responses regarding what states are doing differently in winter operations due to budget reductions. |
| 7:00         |                       | Dinner   |
|              |                       | Meet in hotel lobby at 6:45 p.m. Dinner is at Bull and Bones located at 1470 South Main Street #120. (Shuttle provided)  |

# Wednesday, February 2, 2011 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Hawthorn Suites provides a free hot breakfast buffet.

Meet in the lobby at 8:30 a.m. Shuttle departs for the meeting facilities at Virginia Tech at 8:45 a.m.

| Time           | Facilitator         | Topic  |
|----------------|---------------------|--|
| 9:00 to 9:15   | Paul Brown          | Review the Day 2 Agenda  |
|                |                     | Review the day's agenda and goals.   |
| 9:15 to 9:45   | David Wieder        | State Report   |
|                |                     | Share report on winter maintenance from Colorado.  |
| 9:45 to 10:30  | Paul Brown          | Research Project Selection   |
|                |                     | Discuss the results of the rankings and vote on which projects should be funded and move to the next step of RFP development.  |
| 10:30 to 10:45 | Break               | Break  |
| 10:45 to 11:30 | Paul Brown          | Finish Research Project Selection  |
|                |                     | Discuss the results of the rankings and vote on which projects should be   |
|                |                     | funded and move to the next step of RFP development.   |
| 11:30 to 12:30 | Charlie<br>Goodhart | State Report and Winter Maintenance Presentation   |
| 12:30 to 1:30  | Lunch               | A group lunch will be catered in for all attendees.  |
| 1:30 to 2:45   | Paul Brown          | Next Steps and RFP Development   |
|                |                     | Select project oversight committee members. Discuss in detail the goals, expected deliverables, implementation opportunities, etc. of the projects selected for funding. |
| 2:45 to 3:15   | Colleen Bos         | Vice Chair Selection   |
|                |                     | Every two years, Clear Roads selects a new Vice Chair as the current Vice Chair replaces the current Chairman.   |
| 3:15 to 3:30   | Break               | Break  |
| 3:30 to 5:30   | Allen Williams      | VTTI/Smart Road Tour   |
|                |                     | Allen Williams will take the group on a tour of the VTTI/Smart Road facilities.  |

| 7:00 | Dinner   |
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|      | Meet in hotel lobby at 6:45 p.m. Dinner is on your own in downtown Blacksburg, but VDOT will provide a shuttle downtown and provide return transportation as well. |

Thursday, February 3, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Hawthorn Suites provides a free hot breakfast buffet.

Meet in the lobby at 8:30 a.m. Shuttle departs for the meeting facilities at Virginia Tech at 8:45 a.m.

| Time           | Facilitator  | Topic  |
|----------------|--------------|--|
| 9:00 to 9:15   | Paul Brown   | Meeting Objectives   |
|                |              | Recap of meeting so far. Overview of the morning agenda.   |
| 9:15 to 9:45   | Mike Lashmet | State Report   |
|                |              | Share report on winter maintenance from New York   |
| 9:45 to 10:15  | Paul Brown   | Winter Maintenance Operations Knowledge Base   |
|                |              | Paul will review the status of the Aurora Knowledge Base and Clear Roads involvement and suggested procedures. |
| 10:15 to 10:30 | Paul Brown   | Deicing Video  |
|                |              | Paul will provide an update on the progress of this project.   |
| 10:30 to 10:45 | Break        | Break  |
| 10:45 to 11:15 | Paul Brown   | Plug and Play Specifications Meeting Update  |
|                |              | Paul will provide an update on the outcome of this meeting.  |
| 11:15 to 11:30 | Paul Brown   | Understanding the True Costs of Snow and Ice Control Operations  |
|                |              | Paul will provide an update on this project.   |
| 11:30 to 11:45 | Paul Brown   | Report Distribution  |
|                |              | Discuss what the plan should be for distribution of Clear Roads research                                       |
|                |              | reports beyond the website, the Snow & Ice Listserv and the Knowledge Base.                                    |
| 11:45 to Noon  | Colleen Bos  | Clear Roads Brochure   |
|                |              | Review what the TAC would like to see included in the updated Clear  |
|                |              | Roads brochure.  |
| Noon to 12:15  | Colleen Bos  | Meeting Attendance Policy  |
|                |              | Discuss the policy on Clear Roads members getting funding to attend  |
|                |              | meetings of other organizations, such as Aurora, APWA, PNS, Road Salt Conference, etc.                         |
| 12:15 to 12:30 | Paul Brown   | Wrap Up  |
| 12.10 10 12.00 | l dai biowii | Brief recap of the day's discussions, decisions and next steps   |
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# **Clear Roads Meeting Location**

# **Hawthorn Suites**

1020 Plantation Rd Blacksburg, VA 24060 (540) 552-5636

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# Hotel confirmation number for all rooms:

Belter, Dennis - 52353 Gangl, Larry - 52361 Peters, Tim - 52367 Bernhard, Lynn - 52354 Goodhart, Charlie - 52362 Peters, Tom - 52368 Bos, Colleen - 52375 Jackson, Tim - 52363 Scharfbillig, John - 52378 Brown, Paul - 52355 Lashmet, Mike - 52364 Spoonemore, Cliff - 52370 Clonch. Diana - 52357 Mattison. Mike - 52365 Sproul. Mike - 52371 Croze, Tim - 52358 Mills, Monty - 52366 Stollings, Kyle - 52372 Dobbins, Caleb - 52359 Norville, Jason - 52376 Williams, Allen - 52374 Dunn, Annette - 52360 Persaud, Rudy - 52377 Wieder, David - 52373

# If you are flying:

## Virginia DOT Shuttle

Everyone who is flying will be taking a shuttle provided by the Virginia DOT on Monday, January 31st from the Roanoke Airport. You should go to the greeting area outside baggage claim and find the VDOT staff with Clear Roads signs.

If for any reason, you do not see them, here are their cell numbers:

Allen Williams - (540) 537-8685 Buddy Buchanan - (540) 521-6305.

For the departure on Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a shuttle departing from VTTI no later than 12:30 p.m.

# If you are driving:

The hotel is located at 1020 Plantation Rd, Blacksburg, Virginia. Please let me know if you'd like directions from your location to the hotel.