

13th Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Summit

August 10-13, 2010 | Irving, TX

Tuesday, August 10

8:00 to 5 p.m.	Registration
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.	High-Speed Passenger Rail Stakeholders Meeting Rangoon
1 to 2:00 p.m.	Chairman's Plenary Address U.S. Congressman James Oberstar (D-MN), Chair, U.S. House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Mandalay Ballroom
2 to 3:15 p.m.	Special General Session Defining the Vision: A Glimpse into Federal High-Speed Rail Policy <i>The Federal government is in the process of developing a national high-speed rail policy. Come hear the latest about the implementation of this policy and how government support is contributing to the realization of high-speed rail in the United States.</i> U.S. Congresswoman Corrine Brown (D-FL), Chair, Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, & Hazardous Materials U.S. Congressman Bill Schuster (R-PA), Ranking Member, Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, & Hazardous Materials Art Guzzetti, Vice President of Policy, APTA Mandalay
3:15 to 3:30 p.m.	Refreshment Break
3:30 to 4:45 p.m.	Special General Session Implementing the Vision: Regional Projects <i>Regional high-speed rail corridor initiatives, the backbone of the emerging national high-speed rail system, are experiencing real momentum and gaining significant ground. Hear updates from representatives of the nation's premier HSR corridors.</i> Moderator- Al Engel, P.E., Vice President, AECOM Rod Diridon, Board Member, California High-Speed Rail Authority Judge Robert Eckels, Chair, Texas High-Speed Rail and Transportation Corporation Rick Harnish, Executive Director, Midwest High Speed Rail Association Mandalay
5 to 6:30 p.m.	Reception
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Texas High-Speed Rail & Transportation Corporation Annual Meeting Rangoon

Wednesday, August 11

8 to 9 a.m.	Breakfast Victor Mendez, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration
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9 to 9:15 a.m.

Break

9:15 to 10:45 a.m.

Special General Session

The Voice of Our State DOT Directors

Due to economic instability, states are under incredible pressure to pursue infrastructure improvements while managing limited budgets. Come hear from the leaders of State DOTs from across the nation as they outline their unique challenges and discuss strategies for moving forward.

Moderator- John Horsley, Executive Director, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)

Sean Connaughton, Secretary, Virginia DOT

John Njord, Executive Director, Utah DOT

Amadeo Saenz, Jr., Executive Director, Texas DOT

James “Jim” Simpson, Commissioner of Transportation, New Jersey DOT

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10:45 to 11 a.m.

Refreshment Break

11 to 12:15 p.m.

Concurrent Panel Sessions

Panel Session 1 | Transit CEO Roundtable

Learn from leading transportation executives about the future of transit as it continues to experience a renaissance of growth and innovation. Hear about the challenges and opportunities that come in providing transit service to their respective communities.

Moderator-TBA

Charles Emery, Chairman, Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA)

Charles Odimgbe, Executive Director, Chatham Area Transit Authority

Keith Parker, President and CEO, VIA Metropolitan Transit

Gary Thomas, President and Executive Director, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)

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Panel Session 2 | Financing High-Speed Rail

The implementation of high-speed rail requires extensive coordination, planning and development in the regions it will serve. Leading experts will share their experience in securing funding, finding investors, and how to successfully implement projects.

Moderator – TBA

Judge Robert Eckels, Chair, Texas High-Speed Rail and Transportation Corporation

Dr. Raymond Ellis, Ph.D., Managing Director, Alternative Delivery Group, AECOM

U.S. Congressman John Garamendi (D-CA), Member, House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee

Peter Sklannik, Parsons Brinkerhoff

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Panel Session 3 | The Changing Face of Tollways

Technology is changing the face of transportation and infrastructure, including toll facilities. This panel will discuss how technology can be utilized on tollways in order to improve the efficient movement of traffic and the collection of tolls. Come hear the latest about new applications of tolling to help pay for new highway expansion and growth.

Moderator—Gary Fickes, County Commissioner, Tarrant County, TX

Stephen Mayer, Parsons

Mark Tomlinson, P.E., Director, Turnpike Authority Division, TX DOT

Paul Wageman, Chairman, North Texas Tollway Authority

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Panel Session 4 | Port & Maritime Security

Security at ports, which serve as strategic points of entry and are vital to the global

economy, is of the utmost importance. Come hear these industry leaders discuss the latest issues in port and maritime security.

Moderator—TBA

Tom Mylett, Assistant Chief of Police and Security, Port of Corpus Christi, TX
LCDR John Lovejoy, Chief, Response and Security Department, MSU Port Arthur, TX
Michael Lowder, Director, Office of Intelligence Security and Emergency Response

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Panel Session 5 | Innovative Airport Financing

Meet aviation officials and administration representatives as they discuss new initiatives and mechanisms to ensure the ongoing safety and efficiency of the nation's aviation industry.

Moderator —TBA

Elliott Black, Deputy Director, Office of Airport Planning and Programming, FAA
Eric Potts, Deputy Director, Houston Airport System
John Happ, Director of Aviation, Texas A&M University Easterwood Airport
Monica Lombrana, A.A.E., Director of Aviation, El Paso Int. Airport

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12:15 to 12:30 p.m.

Break

12:30 to 2 p.m.

Luncheon

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), Ranking Member, U.S. Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee

Las Colinas Ballroom

2 to 2:15 p.m.

Break

2:15 to 3:30 p.m.

Special General Session

The Voice of our Regional Administrators

As local policy makers and project planners and developers know, collaboration with Regional Modal Administrators can help ensure the timely success of a project and a clear line of communication to Washington. Come hear directly from Regional Modal Administrators about how these collaborative relationships help local planners solve challenges and deliver projects

Teri Bruner, Southwest Regional Administrator, FAA
Robert Patrick, FTA Regional Administrator- Region 6
James Murphy, Acting Director, Eastern Gulf/Lower Mississippi Gateway

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3:30 to 3:45 p.m.

Refreshment Break

3:45 to 5 p.m.

Concurrent Panel Sessions

Panel Session 1 | Future Water Development

Current economic challenges combined with the demands of a growing population are causing today's leaders to examine other non-traditional water sources as an alternative strategy to transporting water. Come hear the latest in this important discussion on the future of water development in the nation.

Moderator—TBA

Charles Gordon, CEO, Siemens Water Technology
Alan Plummer, Chairman, Alan Plummer Associates
Billy Kniffen, Water Resource Specialist, Department of Biological Agricultural Engineering (DBAE), Texas AgriLife Extension
Jim Hannon, Regional Business Director, SW Region, Army Core of Engineers

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Panel Session 2 | County Leaders Roundtable

Solving today's challenges requires effective leadership to ensure the timely completion of projects. Come hear from county leaders as they discuss strategies to improve infrastructure.

Moderator – Joyce Dickerson, Councilmember, Richland County, SC

Gary Fickes, County Commissioner, Tarrant County, TX

Karen Keith, County Commissioner, Tulsa County, OK

Keith Self, Judge, Collin County, TX

Ray Vaughn, County Commissioner, Oklahoma County, OK

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Panel Session 3 | Safe Travels: Protecting Vulnerable Users

Ensuring safety remains a top priority for transportation officials and leaders as they implement projects. Come hear from experts about the latest issues in multi-modal safety.

Moderator—TBA

Linda Harper-Brown, Texas State Representative

Anne O’Ryan, Legislative and Government Affairs Representative, AAA Texas

Capt. Bryan Rippee, Texas Highway Patrol

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Panel Session 4 | Rail Transit’s Community Impact

In order to maximize the use of transit in communities, rail is being integrated with other modes enabling truly seamless connectivity. Come hear how leaders and developers are planning for the future with rail transit as an important component.

Moderator—Tim Welch, Councilmember, City of North Richland Hills, TX

Art Guzzetti, Vice President of Policy, APTA

Robert Lepore, Senior Vice President-North American Transportation Planning, AECOM

Gail Lyssy, Director of Program Management and Oversight, FTA Region 6

Eliot Shapleigh, Texas State Senator

Peter Sklannik, Parsons Brinkerhoff

Gary Thomas, President/Executive Director, Dallas Area Rapid Transportation (DART)

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Panel Session 5 | Preparing for the 2014 Panama Canal Expansion

The increased capacity of the Panama Canal will change the way goods are moved about the entire world for generations to come. Infrastructure needs to adapt to handle new demands and ensure economic prosperity. Come hear leaders and experts discuss the implications of this important expansion project.

Moderator—TBA

A.G. Crowe, Louisiana State Senator

Gary LaGrange, President and CEO, New Orleans Port Authority

Steven Cernak, Port Director, Port of Galveston

Rachel Vandenberg, P.E., VP, North American Intermodal Practice, AECOM

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5 to 6:30 p.m.

Reception

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

National Multi-Modal Transportation Steering Committee Annual Meeting

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Thursday, August 12

8 to 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

Mortimer L. Downey, Senior Advisor, Parsons Brinkerhoff, (Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of Transportation, 1993-2001)

Las Colinas Ballroom

9:00 to 9:15 a.m.

Break

9:15 to 10:45 a.m.

Special General Session

NextGen: Sharing the Burden, Sharing the Benefits

Current air traffic control has grown outdated as the current system approaches its capacity. Find out what is being researched and accomplished in order to advance the modernization, economic status, and safety issues concerning air traffic control.

Moderator—John Happ, Director of Aviation, Texas A&M University Easternwood Airport

Jens Hennig, VP Operations, General Aviation Manufacturers Association

Jack Kies, President, Metron Aviation

F. Paul Martinez, V.P., Operations, DFW International Airport

Lisa Piccione, Sr. V.P., Government Affairs, National Business Aviation Association

Ann Tedford, Manager Nextgen Planning Group, FAA

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10:45 to 11 a.m.

Refreshment Break

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Special General Session

The Voice of Our United States Leaders

Congressional leaders discuss the critical importance of transportation and infrastructure to the American economy, and provide information on the debate on the authorization of a new surface transportation bill.

U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall (R-TX)

U.S. Congressman Kenny Marchant (R-TX)

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12:30 to 12:45 p.m.

Break

12:45 to 2:30 p.m.

Luncheon

Jim Wright, Former Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Congressman John Mica (R-FL), Ranking Member, U.S. House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee

Las Colinas Ballroom

2:30 to 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 to 4 p.m.

Concurrent Panel Sessions

Panel Session 1 | The Great Connector: Bus Transportation

Bus transportation is a vital, yet often overlooked, connector of different modes within local infrastructure systems. Come hear from leaders and experts in bus transportation as they explain the benefits and advances in this important form of mass transit.

Moderator— Delos Smith, Senior Analyst for the Conference Board (ret'd), Friend of the American Bus Association

Ted Burk, Sr. VP Corporate Development, Greyhound Lines, Inc.

Donald DeVivo, Esq., President, Dattco, Inc.

Walter Kulyk, P.E., Director, Office of Mobility Innovation, Federal Transportation Administration (FTA)

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Panel Session 2 | Global High-Speed Rail Developers and Companies
High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail has moved people safely, efficiently, and very quickly for nearly 50 years. Since its inception in Japan, other countries have followed and benefit today from this remarkable technology. Leading experts will share the knowledge gained through successfully implemented projects around the world.

Moderator—TBA

Francis Jelensperger, High-Speed Rail Program, Parsons

Dan Tempelis, P.E., Hatch Mott MacDonald

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Panel Session 4 | Mayors Round Table

Mayors from across the nation meet to discuss the mobility needs of their respective communities and their strategies for meeting current demands while planning for the future.

Moderator— Mayor Herbert Gears, Irving, TX

Mayor John Cook, El Paso, TX

Mayor Eric Perrodin, Compton, CA

Mayor Anthony Smith, Maricopa, AZ

Mayor Oscar Trevino, North Richland Hills, TX

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Panel Session 5 | Alternative Fuels

Discover the potential of alternative fuels and hear about the latest on technological developments and efforts to mitigate air pollution. Come hear from experts about the potential of alternative fuels in the future of transportation.

Moderator— TBA

Dr. Robert Helms, Ph.D., University of Texas – Dallas

Pamela Burns, North Central Texas Council of Governments

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4 to 4:15 p.m.

Refreshment Break

4:15 to 5:30 p.m.

Concurrent Panel Sessions

Panel Session 1 | New Innovations: Bus Transportation

Bus Transportation is evolving and changing as it continues to serve as the great connector of people, modes and infrastructure. Listen to experts discuss the ways in which this important form of transportation is rising to meet new demands and future challenges through innovation.

Moderator— Delos Smith, Senior Analyst for the Conference Board (ret'd), Friend of the American Bus Association

Jane Shang, Deputy City Manager for Mobility Services, El Paso, TX

Cheryl Thole, Senior Research Associate, National Bus Rapid Transit Institute (NBRTI)

Don Koski, Regional Planner, FTA Region 6

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Panel Session 2 | Managed HOV Lanes and HOV Pricing

Managed lanes are defined by the Federal Highway Administration as highway facilities a set of lanes where operational strategies are proactively implemented and managed in response to changing conditions. Sit in on this panel to learn more regarding the challenges and successes for these types of programs.

Moderator—Koorosh Olyai, P.E., Assistant Vice President, Mobility Programs Development, DART
Chuck Fuhs, Vice President, Parsons Brinkerhoff
Koorosh Olyai, P.E., Assistant Vice President, Mobility Programs Development, DART
Christopher Poe, Ph.D., P.E., Assistant Agency Director, Texas Transportation Institute
Jessie Yung, P.E., Program Manager, Federal Highway Administration
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Panel Session 3 | Global Impact of High-Speed Rail

While the concept of high-speed rail is only recently gaining traction in the United States, many nations around the world have effectively established HSR as a vital mode of transportation. Come hear representatives from around the world who have incredible insight and experience with the implementation and operation of successful HSR projects.

Moderator—Kenny Mallard, County Commissioner, Brazos County, TX
Steve Clark, Rail Business Leader, Americas Region, ARUP

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Panel Session 4 | Maximizing our Interstate Waterways

Hear experts talk about marine and inland travel and goods transport. Learn about the importance of maximizing good movement through these vital waterways and the necessity of securing funds to provide for their proper maintenance and operation.

Moderator— Laura Padgett, Councilmember, City of Wilmington, NC
Leslie Blakey, Principal, Blakey & Agnew Public Affairs & Communicators

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Panel Session 5 | Streamlining the Environmental Process

In the midst of population growth, how are officials seeking to maintain environmental quality while also expediting much-needed transportation projects? Find out about environmental improvement strategies that do not jeopardize economic growth and prosperity.

Moderator—TBA
Kate Robertson, Environmental Defense Fund
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5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Leadership Reception

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Transportation Excellence for the 21st Century (TEX-21) Annual Meeting

Rangoon

Friday, August 13

8 to 9:15 a.m.

Breakfast

“A National Call to Action on Transportation Policy” by the National Multi-Modal Transportation Steering Committee
Discussion lead by NMMTSC Chairman Joe Philipp, City of Irving, Texas
Las Colinas Ballroom

9:15 to 9:30 a.m.

Break

9:30 to 10:45 a.m.

Special General Session

The Voice of Our State Leaders

State legislators discuss the importance of transportation to their districts and strategies to sustain

and grow the American economy through sound transportation policies.

Wendy Davis, Texas State Senator
William Callegari, Texas State Representative
Jim Dunnam, Texas State Representative
Linda Harper-Brown, Texas State Representative
Larry Phillips, Texas State Representative

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10:45 to 11 a.m.

Refreshment Break

11 to 12:15 p.m.

Concurrent Panel Sessions

Panel Session 1 | Launching a Successful TMA: Establishing Effective Strategies
Congestion, air pollution, and single occupant vehicle use are three of the issues that prompted the formation of a public-private partnership known as Transportation Management Association. This panel will outline the most successful strategies for reducing single occupant vehicle commuting and increasing adoption of commuting alternatives.

Moderator: Mike Overby, Express Employment Professionals
Katie Turnbull, Associate Director, Texas Transportation Institute
Rick Steele, CEO, NuRide, Inc.
Shelley Whitworth, Air Quality Program Manager, Houston Galveston Area Council

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Panel Session 2 | Managing Water as a National Resource
Water Management is a vital issue as developers must address how to disperse water equitably and efficiently throughout the nation. Come learn from experts in water management as they discuss the challenges of distributing valuable water resources to meet regional demands.

Moderator: Vonciel Jones Hill, City of Dallas, TX
J.D. Strong, Secretary of Environment, State of Oklahoma
Robert E. Mace, Texas Water Development Board

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Panel Session 3 | Transportation's New Horizons: Intelligent Transportation Systems
Innovation is desperately needed as our nation faces the challenges of improving its infrastructure. New developments in technology bring great potential and create opportunities for enhanced solutions in meeting these transportation challenges. Listen to experts discuss how new technology can facilitate mobility growth.

Moderator: Carroll Robinson, Associate Dean, External Affairs, Texas Southern University
Dr. Dennis Christiansen, P.E., Director, Texas Transportation Institute
Naveen Lamba, Associate Partner, IBM
Koorosh Olyai, P.E., Assistant Vice President, Mobility Programs Development, DART
Gary Ritter, Domain Expert, Surface Transportation Infrastructure and Operations, Volpe Center

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Panel Session 4 | Economic Future of Freight Rail
As the nation's freight rail network is confronted with a difficult economic climate, carriers have worked diligently to adapt and adjust to current challenges. Come hear from leaders in this important industry about the ways they are positioning their organizations to thrive in the future.

Moderator— Paul Lovier, Chairman, Netex
Leslie Blakey, Principal, Blakey & Agnew Public Affairs & Communicators
Bill Glavin, P.E., Director, Rail Division, Texas Department of Transportation
Dean Wise, VP, Strategic Development, BNSF

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Panel Session 5 | Intermodalism and Cargo Carriers

The infrastructure, technology, and planning to get goods to stores quickly, safely, and efficiently, is a massive operation. Learn what experts in the field are doing to ensure that products and goods arrive timely and economically.

Moderator —TBA

Bryan Wahlberg, VP, Gulf Region, DHL Global Forwarding

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12:15 to 12:30 p.m.

Break

12:30 to 2 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon

Jeff Fegan, CEO, DFW International Airport

Las Colinas Ballroom