

**Midwest Conference on Library and Information Services for
Transportation**
August 14-16, 2002
Pyle Center
Madison, Wisconsin

Draft Agenda

Goals of the Conference

- Define information services best practices models
- Feed into the efforts of current NCHRP research project 20-7
- Feed into the development of a National Transportation Library Consortium
- Determine what action items can and should be taken
- Build support at all levels for information sharing management and services

Time	Activity	Speakers/Pane lists focus of session	Committee person to organize	Notes
Day 1 (Wednesday, August 14, 2002)				
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Mid-Year TRB Committee Meeting A5017	Committee members		
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Speaker and Reception (Pyle Center)			
	Reception Speaker suggestions from committee: 1. National Perspective was the committee's first choice; 2. Public sector: high level – Kansas DOT: Dean Carlson; or Mn/DOT 3. Private sector – possible from a visionary perspective – 3M		Jerry Baldwin	
Day 2 (Thursday, August 15, 2002)				
8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast			
8:30 – 9:00 am	Opening Remarks	Speakers: Nelda Bravo, Jeanne Thomas, Gene Kussart, WisDOT Secretary		
	WisDOT Rep – Welcome to WI, this is a good conference			

	and is timely Nelda – give charge to the group			
9:00 – 10:30 am	Information Services from the User’s Perspective –			
	WisDOT: Gary Whited (Division Administrator oversees Research Coordination Section) Nebraska DOT – John Craig Administrator Michigan University – Administrator MPO representative: SEWRPC -Indiana Met Council -SEMCOG		Wittwer & Switzer	
10:30 – 10:45 am	Break			
10:45 – 12:15 pm	Information Services from the Provider’s Perspective			
	<u>Speakers:</u> Mark Chandler, Jeanne Thomas, Jerry Baldwin, Roberto Sarmiento Provider’s perspective (30 min) Demonstrations of information services available (60 min)		Roberto Sarmiento to coordinate	
12:15 – 2:00 pm	Speaker (20 minutes with Q&A 10 minutes) and Lunch			
	Speaker from – Library Cooperatives Provide a perspective as a group that has already initiated a successful effort	Speech regarding other regional and national library information serving efforts	Switzer (Cherney will help)	
1:30 – 3:00 pm	LTAP and RTAP perspectives			
	<u>Speakers:</u> South Dakota – developed a user’s guide – could discuss the product development process		Steve Pudloski	

	Indiana LTAP – request receiver – day to day perspective			
	LTAP Clearinghouse – information sharing perspective			
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Break			
3:15 – 5:00 pm	Roundtable discussions/Breakout Sessions			
	<p>Sessions (3 leaders for each area?):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning/Multi-modal 2. Construction 3. Operations – possibly Iowa, Minnesota, and/or Illinois representatives 4. Safety – government safety task force, and safety person from LTAP <p>Presenters would potentially respond to 3 questions in short presentations</p>	Committee members will structure this session	Nelda Bravo (to lead), Pat Casey, Steve Pudloski, John Cherney, Roberto Sarmiento	If we do this as part of a distance learning approach – would need to have a facilitator at each facility
Day 3 (Friday, August 16, 2002)				
7:30 – 8:00	Continental Breakfast			
8:00 – 9:00 am	Group reports from the Breakout Sessions of Day 2			
9:00 am – 9:45 am	Report of National Activities			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Consortium Update -Mid-Year RAC update -NCHRP 20-7 Scoping Study update -ASSHTO Portal -Network Pilot Project 	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Jeanne Thomas Barbara Harder Sandy Tucker Leona Kolbe or Nina McLawhorn David Dubov (AASHTO Business Mgr)</p>	Nelda Bravo	
9:45 – 10:00 am	Break			
10:00 – 11:00 am	Moving to the Model			
	Local (from an urban area)	Barbara Harder	Nina	

	and regional perspective Discuss current situation in information exchange, trends and future direction Discuss transportation community and how it orients itself with the national audience	Tony Kane Nina McLawhorn	McLawhorn Bob Johns	
11:00 – 12:30 pm	Small Group Discussions			
	Define Best Practices Discuss regional strategies Discuss ways to leverage national resources			
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch			
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Report Back to Larger Group			
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Summary and Conclusions Where do we go from here?			
	Moderators will do this portion	of agenda		

Possible Speakers to Include:

Gordon Procter, Ohio DOT
New FHWA Wisconsin Division Office Administrator
Dean Carlsen, AASHTO
TRB (contact Jeanne Thomas)

Conference Logistics Preliminary Notes

Broad Category List of Proposed Invitees:

Targeted States from AASHTO's Region III

- Wisconsin
- Minnesota
- Illinois
- Iowa
- Nebraska
- South Dakota
- Michigan
- Missouri
- (most likely Ohio)
- Kansas
- Indiana

LTAP and RTAP center representatives (ask for their input into developing a list of invitees from DOTs)

Academia

Urban Centers

State DOTs – upper level management and direct users of library services

Representatives from the region's MPOs and RPCs

Transportation Library Service Providers within the AASHTO Region III

FHWA representatives

Others

Invitations will be sent to 50-60 select individuals from each of the above categories. Then the remaining spots of between 15 and 25 will be open on a first-come-first served basis.