AASHTO
COUNCIL ON RAIL TRANSPORTATION

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2019 Annual Meeting
September 16-19, 2019
Hilton Hartford
315 Trumbull St
Hartford, Connecticut

Monday, September 16
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM  Tour: Hartford Line Commuter Train and Meriden Station
12:00 PM– 1:30 PM  Lunch
1:30 PM – 4:15 PM  Concurrent Meetings
  • States for Passenger Rail Coalition
  • Freight States
  • TRB High Speed and Intercity Passenger Rail Committee
4:15 PM – 5:15PM  Rail Resource Center Discussion (Members Only)
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM  Opening Reception at City Steam Brewery Café

Tuesday, September 17
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM  Welcome from State Hosts
  • Opening Remarks from NCDOT Secretary James H. Trogdon III, Chair, Council on Rail Transportation
  • Welcome from ConnDOT Commissioner Joseph Giulietti
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM  Panel Discussion: A View from New England
  • Richard Andreski, Bureau Chief, Public Transportation, ConnDOT
  • New England States TBA
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM  Break
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM  Panel Discussion: Rail Safety
  • Kelly Morton, P.E., Transportation Specialist, FHWA Office of Safety
  • Other Panelists TBA
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM  Luncheon with Keynote Speaker
Panel Discussion: New Technologies in Freight and Passenger Rail
- W. R. (Will) Miller, Public Safety Director, Norfolk Southern Corporation
- Other Panelists TBA

Break

Panel Discussion: Topic TBD

Business Meeting and States Roundtable
- Updates from States for Passenger Rail, SAIPRC, Freight States, and NGEC

Evening Reception and Dinner at Union Station

Wednesday, September 18

Panel Discussion: Emerging Rail Service
- Panelists TBA

Panel Discussion: Planning and NEPA for Freight and Passenger Projects
- Panelists TBA

Break

Panel Discussion: Discretionary Funding for Freight and Passenger Rail Projects
- Panelists TBA

Luncheon with Keynote Speaker

An Overview of SHRP2 Railroad-DOT Mitigation Strategies (R16)
- Lisa Stern, Chief of Railroads and Harbors, WisDOT
- French Thompson, Director of Public Projects and System Design, BNSF Railway
- FHWA Panelist TBA

Break

Concurrent Workshops with Breakout Sessions

Thursday, September 19

SAIPRC Meeting