

ITS America CVO and Intermodal Freight Forum Update

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Forum Organization

- **Forum was created as part of ITS America's reorganization in Spring of 2002**
- **CVO and Intermodal Freight Forum includes the former:**
 - ITSA CVO Technical Committee
 - ITSA Intermodal Freight Technology Working Group
 - Intelligent Vehicle Initiative—Heavy and Medium Truck Platform

Forum Organization (*continued*)

- **Reorganization objectives:**
 - Improve coordination between stakeholders and sharing of information among various groups
 - Optimize discussions of cross-cutting issues, such as interoperability
 - Enhance benefits being delivered to ITS America members

Forum Mission

- Provide a forum for ongoing stakeholder input and guidance on policy issues related to ITS/CVO and ITS/Intermodal programs
- Serve as a coordinating mechanism to review the progress of the ITS/CVO and ITS/Intermodal programs
- Provide policy guidance and address critical questions related to commercial vehicle information exchange systems
- Promote the safe, secure, and efficient movement of freight through the use of ITS

Forum Objectives

- Act as the authoritative body on ITS/CVO and ITS/Intermodal issues in North America, representing the needs of both the public and private sectors
- Work with member constituencies to advocate and facilitate the implementation of guiding principles, practices, and systems

Forum Work Plan

- **Recommend directions and long-term strategies for the ITS/CVO program**
 - Provide input to USDOT regarding ITS/CVO and ITS/Intermodal Programs
 - ITSA is a Federally-designated advisory body
 - Forward policy recommendations through ITS America Coordinating Council and Board of Directors to USDOT
 - Establish project teams to address specific topics
- **Facilitate integration of ITS activities in CVO and Intermodal arenas**

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Work Plan (*continued*)

- **Manage ITS/CVO Guiding Principles**
 - Monitor program concurrence with standing principles
 - Update and supplement principles as needed
- **Build consensus and commitment toward ITS/CVO among key stakeholders**
 - Outreach to key stakeholder groups
 - Consider joint sessions with key industry groups or state government groups

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Work Plan (*continued*)

- **Facilitate ITS/CVO deployment and implementation**
 - Enhance coordination between ITS America, CVSA, AAMVA and AASHTO
 - Share information and lessons learned with CVO stakeholders in Canada, Mexico, other nations

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Topics of Focus

- **Intermodal**
- **CVISN**
- **Interoperability**
- **Safety Data**
- **Safety Operations**
- **Homeland Security**
- **Reauthorization**

Intermodal Primary Focus

- **Coordination and interoperability between intermodal and commercial vehicle operators/operations**
- **Ongoing intermodal operational tests**

CVISN Primary Focus

- **Facilitate government and industry working together to achieve the goal of CVISN deployment in a majority of the states by 2003**
 - Credentials administration policy statement
 - Outreach strategy and materials
 - Additional CVISN capabilities beyond Level 1

Interoperability Primary Focus

- **Achieve goal of “one transponder for one truck” in the area of Interoperability through compatibility at technical, program and administrative levels**
 - I-95 Corridor Coalition ETC/CVO and E-Screening Interoperability Project
 - Intermodal Interoperability
 - International Interoperability
 - Participation of private partners
 - HELP Inc./NYSTA - PrePass Plus

Safety Data Primary Focus

- **Serve as the external review board for the Safety Architecture for the FMCSA Enterprise (SAFE) project**
 - Developing an architecture for FMCSA safety data systems to ensure systems directly support FMCSA mission, goals, strategies and business processes
 - Reviewing draft advice letter to FMCSA Administrator regarding the SAFE project
 - Identifying opportunities to provide continual external input into FMCSA's information systems projects

Safety Operations Primary Focus

- **Examine component elements of a successful safety operations strategy**
 - Developing a white paper on vehicle-driver aspects of commercial vehicle safety
 - Looking at the big picture
 - Seeking to identify high value opportunities for safety operations guidance
 - Expected to result in program and/or deployment guidance
 - Reviewing Excise Tax incentive initiatives including tax exemptions and tax credits

Homeland Security Primary Focus

- **Promote and support development/integration of ITS technologies to enhance security of the surface transportation system related to CVO and Freight Technology**
 - Promote policies optimizing security technology while minimizing impediments to economical freight movement
 - Prioritize development/deployment of security technologies per comprehensive risk analysis
 - Improve access of necessary security-related information pertaining to vehicles and drivers

Provide Input on TEA-21 Reauthorization

- **Provided input on general ITS America Reauthorization Principles**
- **Recommended specific projects for inclusion in T3**
 - **Integrate electronic credentials administration with existing Federal transportation funding mechanisms**
 - **Streamline process for provision of Federal transportation funds to state agencies involved in regulation of commercial vehicles**
 - **Advance CVISN using “cafeteria approach”**
 - **Conduct key research initiatives in support of single definition and identifier for motor carriers**
 - **Provide resources in support of implementation and maintenance of FMCSA’s enterprise architecture**

Next Meeting

**The CVO and Intermodal Freight
Forum is scheduled to meet
July 15-17, 2002 in
Baltimore, Maryland.**

All are welcome!