

**National Oversize/Overweight Uniform Permit Task Force**  
**June 11, 2002**  
**Loew's Hotel, Annapolis Maryland**

**Minutes**

1. **Welcome and Self Introductions**

Present were:

Jeff Honefanger, OH, Chair & Mississippi Valley Conference Rep.

SASHTO Representatives: Randy Braden, AL  
Denny Silvio, LA

WASHTO Representatives: Lawrence Smith, TX  
Regina Phipps, ID

NASHTO Representatives: NO ONE ASSIGNED

MVC: Currently only one state from the region  
active (Ohio)

Several visitors.

2. **Status of Inter-regional Agreements**

**NASHTO/Multi-State Permit Group:** Still waiting on input from NASHTO and a few SASHTO items needing clarification. Only three SASHTO States have committed.

**WASHTO/Louisiana:** LA is still reviewing some issues. Hopefully, progress will be made by March 2003 Task Force Meeting.

3. **Task Force Duties**

**Change focus from "National Permit" to Uniform Guidelines:** Discussed re-focusing our efforts because of lack of industry desire to see a national permit. This re-focusing would be to develop standard guidelines for permits and escorts, which the trucking could use to make the permit process work easier for them. Included in the task force duties would be; Emergency Movement Guidelines, Escorting, and coordination of regional multiple state agreements. This item was presented to the Sub-committee on Highway Transport as a whole, who endorsed this change.

The task force is developing a mission statement and work plan.

4. **TRB Special Report 267 Regulation of Weights, Lengths, and Widths of Commercial Motor Vehicles.** Discussed the TRB's permit recommendations, without any endorsement or opposition at this time.
5. **Rail/Highway Grade Crossing Safety (NTSB).** Discussed this in the context of recent Rail/Highway grade crossing incidents involving permitted loads. Based on this discussion this will be an item on the task force's work plan.
6. **Draft NOOUP Resolution.** Disregarded since the task force decided to change its focus.
7. **NAFTA Harmonization Resolution.** This was discussed only as a matter of information sharing.
8. **Items from Task Force Members and Visitors.** None
9. **Next Steps.** Task force will conduct a conference call to develop mission statement, work plan and goals within the next few weeks.