



American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

***Standing Committee on Water Transportation
29th National Meeting***

May 25-27, 2005

**New Orleans Board of Trade
(adjacent to St. James Hotel, 330 Magazine St.)
New Orleans, Louisiana
St. James Hotel**

***Conference attire: Casual
(Men will need a jacket for dinner at Commander's Palace.)***

WEDNESDAY May 25

**Heartland Intermodal Partnership
(SCOWT members encouraged to participate)**

7:30 – 8:30 Continental Breakfast / Registration

**8:30 – 9:00 Welcome, introductions, meeting objectives
Doris J. Bautch, Great Lakes Region Director, MARAD**

- 9:00 – 9:15 **Heartland Intermodal Partnership: Origins and Development**
John Carnes, former Central Region Director MARAD and initiator of the Heartland Intermodal Partnership
- 9:15 – 9:45 **Research Report – Rationale and Status**
Colonel Tom Atkinson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Intermodal Transportation Division, LaDOTD
- 9:45 – 10:00 **Break**
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Container on Barge Initiatives**
Roger Richard, Port of Baton Rouge
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Integrating HIP into the MARAD National Program and Mission**
Kevin Krick, Acting Deputy Administrator/Senior Advisor for Maritime Policy, MARAD (not confirmed)
- 11:00 – 1:00 **Lunch at Mother’s Next Door**
“Importance of Intermodal Transportation: 2005- 2008 Outlook”

Speaker: George Schoener, Deputy Assistance Secretary, Transportation Policy, U. S. DOT
- 1:30 – 1:45 **Welcome**
Dee Varshney, Acting Director, Central Region, MARAD
- 1:45 – 2:15 **Strategic Plan Update**

James Murphy, Maritime Promotional Programs Specialist, Central Region, MARAD
Doris Bautch, Director, Great Lakes Region, MARAD
- 2:15 – 2:45 **Working with Our Canadian Partners**
Marc Fortin, Director
Seaway and Shipping Policy, Transport Canada
- 2:30 – 3:00 **How MDOT Profited from the Mississippi Intermodal Council**
Butch Brown, Executive Director, Mississippi DOT
- 3:00 – 3:15 **Break**

- 3:15 – 3:30 **Western Rivers Area Maritime Security**
Harvey Dexter, Port Security Specialist, Security and Environmental Protection Division, Eighth Coast Guard District
- 3:30 – 4:30 **Intermodalism at Work**
- Systems for Multi-Modal Container Tracking, Mark Robinson, Vice President IT, SAIA Atlanta
- Moving Cargo on the National Water Highway, Michael Thibodaux, Information Technology Systems, LLC
- Tracking containers / truck, rail and barge – Emile Garlipied, President, Access Group.
- 6:00 **River Steamboat Dinner**

THURSDAY May 26

SCOWT/HIP Joint Sessions

- 7:30 – 8:30 **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 – 9:00 **Freight Crisis Re-cap**
Bruce Lambert, Senior Economist, Institute of Water Resources, Corps of Engineers
- 9:00 – 9:30 **Trade and Transportation Insitute Roll-Out: Extending the Latin American Trade and Transportation Study**
Dr. Kam Movassaghi, Movassaghi Group PEC
- 9:30 – 10:00 **Great Lakes Seaway System Study/Economic Benefits**
Marc Fortin, Director, Seaway and Shipping Policy, Transport Canada
- 10:00 – 10:30 **AASHTO and HIP**
John Horsley, Executive Director, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**

- 10:45 – 11:15 **Role of State DOTs in Fostering Intermodal Synergy**
Leo Penne, Program Director for Intermodal and Industry
Activities, AASHTO
- 11:15 – 11:45 **Upper St. Paul Harbor Transportation Study**
Richard Lambert, Ports and Waterways, Minnesota DOT
- 11:45 – 12:00 **Closing Remarks**
Don Waldon, Administrator, Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway
Development Authority
- 12:00 – 1:15 **Lunch**

**AASHTO Standing Committee on Water Transportation
(HIP Members encouraged to participate)**

- 1:30 – 2:00 **SCOWT Opening Session**

Chairman's Introduction
Washington Report
- 2:00 – 3:00 **State Initiatives Roundtable**
- 3:00 – 4:00 **Anticipating and Responding to Growth in Port Traffic**

Harold Cerveny, The Tioga Group
- 4:30 – 6:30 **Water Side Tour of the Port of New Orleans**
- Evening** **SCOWT Members' Dinner—Commander's Palace**

FRIDAY, MAY 27

- 7:30 – 8:30 **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 – 9:00 **Transportation Research Board Maritime Resources**

Larry Daggett, Chairman
TRB Maritime Committee

9:00 – 10:30

AASHTO Water Transportation Bottom Line Report: Scoping Session

Bruce Lambert, Corps of Engineers
Alan Meyers, Cambridge Systematics

10:30– 12:00

Business Meeting

Policy proposals
Future meetings
Committee priorities
Work plan assignments
Other

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