Multimodal Surface Transportation Steering Committee Meeting
January 4, 2017  3:00-4:00pm Eastern time
1-888-585-9008, Room Number 183-537-168

Attendees (Steering Committee members italicized)
Toks Omishakin, Tennessee DOT and MMTF Chair
Amy Scarton, Washington State DOT and MMTF Co-chair
Sharon Edgar, Michigan DOT
Jerri Bohard, Oregon DOT
Jessica Wilson, Tennessee DOT
Nick Donohue, Virginia DOT
Barbara McCann, USDOT
Jason Broehm, USDOT
Nat Coley, FHWA
Davonna Moore, Kansas DOT
John Maddox, Kansas DOT
Connie Porter Betts, Louisiana DOT
Laura Phillips, Louisiana DOT
Polly Kent, Michigan DOT
Bill Story, Nevada DOT
Ben Orsbon, South Dakota
Marsha Fiol, Virginia DOT

Highlights from the AASHTO Annual Meeting in Boston (Toks)
MMTF Meeting—this was the second in person meeting of the MMTF. We had great attendance.
AASHTO has a lot of things going on related to multimodal issues, design, and policy. There are lots of
opportunities for coordination so it is important to stay involved. For example, the Subcommittee on
Design is creating a technical committee on public transportation facilities design. There is also
guidance on low volume roads and a new edition of the pedestrian guide is nearly complete. The 5th
edition of the bike guide is underway.

Accommodating Multimodal Transportation Options within an Existing Footprint—During the
conference this session was held with Joe Barr from the Board of Directors of NACTO, Roger Millar, the
Secretary of Washington State DOT, Charlie Zelle, the Commissioner of the Minnesota DOT, and Toks
presenting.

Status of the Action Items/Accomplishments to Date (Amy)
We will provide an update on some of the action items we are working on and get your feedback on
next steps.

Communications: Newsletter
Our first newsletter was circulated at the AASHTO Annual Meeting in Boston. It is also on our
website and has been emailed to SCOP and SCOPT. The next newsletter will recap our in person
meeting at the AASHTO Annual Meeting in Boston, highlight the status of our action items, and
highlight tools of interest to the task force.

Policy and Legislation: Complete Streets/Multimodal Implementation Survey
  o Complete Streets/Multimodal Implementation Survey
  o Health and Transportation
Policy and Legislation will be a main focus of the task force. Two ideas bubbled up from the task force and steering committee discussions: multimodal/complete streets implementation and health and transportation. In 2015, there was a snapshot survey done on complete streets that took a high level look. The Steering Committee is proposing a more in-depth look of how complete streets is implemented. For example, how it is addressed in planning, programming, environment, design, construction, etc. 22 State DOTs, 17 MPOs, and one COG responded to the last snapshot survey.

Comment: There is a provision in the FAST Act that requires USDOT to encourage adoption of multimodal polices. There are a couple of initiatives ongoing at USDOT.

For health and transportation, we are looking at the connections between health and transportation. What are best practices? How do states approach this issue? What should we explore further? The AASHTO Center for Environmental Excellence completed a report a few years ago, which included a recommendation that State DOTs include health in long range planning. Steering Committee member Jason Broehm from USDOT shared a great summary of ongoing efforts at the previous meeting.

Comments:
- There are data needs for this issue. What is the causal effect of improving active transportation and what does it do for health? We need to show the economic benefit. Oregon DOT has some data on effects for smaller scale geographies. The biggest improvements are the populations that go from not active to active. Not as big of an increase from people already exercising. Different for urban and rural populations.
- Virginia DOT takes health into account in long range planning. They have established objectives related to health and incorporated active transportation into the project selection process in terms of access to jobs by walking and biking and increasing non-SOV trips.

Project Development and Delivery: Domestic Scan
- NCHRP 20-65 Panel Problem Statements
- Domestic Scan for NCHRP 20-68A Status

Sharon Edgars, Michigan DOT: The domestic scan has been submitted. All submissions are available to review online. Not sure on the timeline for selection. Not sure on the timeline for selection of the NCHRP proposals. We will keep the task force updated.

Tools: Share via a webinar
- WSDOT, VDOT, Caltrans
- Any other suggestions?

We will be holding a webinar to share tools. The task force has expressed interest in LOS. Nick Donohue of Virginia DOT will share their tool. An invitation to the webinar will be emailed to the task force.

Save the Date for the AASHTO SCOP Summer Meeting in Cincinnati 7/31 to 8/4
  - Implementing multimodal polices
  - Engaging public health in transportation planning

Next steps and closing
Next task force meeting in March.