

# Partnering for a Better Future

April 18 & 19, 2018

Morgantown Marriott at Waterfront Place  
Morgantown, WV

## Target Audience

Transportation Planners  
Public Works Directors  
Transportation Engineers  
City Managers  
Elected Municipal Officials  
County Commissioners  
WVDOH Employees  
FHWA Employees



a joint conference of the WV Association of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (WVAMPO) and the WV Local Technical Assistance Program (WV LTAP) tailored to individuals involved with transportation planning, design, and management



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**Day 1: Wednesday, April 18**

*Preliminary Agenda - Subject to Change*

**11:00 AM**      **Registration Opens**  
**Exhibits Open**

**1:00 PM**      **Welcome**  
**Mayor Bill Kawecki, City of Morgantown**

**1:30 PM**      **Panel and General Discussion of Our Roles and Available Services**

**2:10 PM**      **Break (20 Minutes)**

**2:30 PM**      **General Session - Autonomous Vehicles: Are We Ready?**  
**Speaker - TBD**

Automation can be a tool for solving transportation problems such as improving safety, reducing and mitigating crashes, increasing mobility and accessibility, expanding capacity of roadway infrastructure, enhancing traffic flow dynamics, providing more personal mobility options for the disabled and aging population, reducing energy use and emissions, and improving traffic flow dynamics. The U.S. Department of Transportation is partnering with a broad coalition, including industry, academia, state and local governments, safety advocates, and transportation stakeholders to encourage the safe development, testing, and deployment of automated vehicle technology.

**3:00 PM**      **General Session - Safety Targets and the Strategic Highway Safety Plan**  
**Marsha Mays, WVDOH**

Federal law requires all states to develop, update, and evaluate a Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) that identifies a state's most serious traffic safety problems and the strategies and actions to solve them. West Virginia used a data-driven, coordinated, collaborative approach involving federal, state, regional, and local safety professionals and stakeholders to develop the SHSP and reduce roadway fatalities and serious injuries. In compliance with federal requirements, the West Virginia Department of Transportation (WVDOT) developed specific safety targets for the number and rate of fatalities and serious injuries and the number of fatalities for non-motorized users (pedestrians and bicyclists).

**3:30 PM**      **General Session - Proven Safety Countermeasures**  
**Cindy Cramer, Donna Hardy, WVDOH and/or Shaneka Owens, FHWA**

In 2008, FHWA began promoting certain infrastructure-oriented safety treatments and strategies, chosen based on proven effectiveness and benefits, to encourage widespread implementation by state, tribal, and local transportation agencies to reduce serious injuries and fatalities on American highways. This became known as the *Proven Safety Countermeasures* initiative. This list of proven safety countermeasures has now reached a total of twenty treatments and strategies that practitioners can implement to successfully address roadway departure, intersection, and pedestrian and bicycle crashes. Among the twenty proven safety countermeasures are several crosscutting strategies that address multiple safety focus areas.

**4:00 PM**      **Day One of Conference Concludes**

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## Day 2: Thursday, April 19

**7:00 AM**      **Breakfast & Exhibits Open**

**8:00 AM**      **Breakout Sessions**

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**1A. Asset Management on a State and Local Level**

**Billy Varney, WVDOH and Damien Davis, City of Morgantown**

Do you know how many signs you own and their condition? When is the last time your culverts were inspected? Where do you have missing or non-compliant curb ramps? Knowing what assets you have and documenting them can make the task of maintaining them more manageable. This session will look at the importance and good characteristics of an asset management plan, whether you are a state or local agency.

**1B. A District Level View of the Road Bond Implementation**

**Donny Williams, WVDOH**

With the recent increases in revenue through legislative and referendum actions, implementation of the *Roads to Prosperity Highway Program* is well underway. Learn how the “rubber meets the road” at the Division of Highways district level for project completion.

**9:00 AM**      **Breakout Sessions**

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**2A. Extending the Life of Your Roads**

**John Zaniewski, WVU/WV LTAP**

Tackling pavement problems without a plan can be a losing battle. Resources are always limited and there never seems to be enough to address all of the needs. Partnering this with an approach that focuses on the worst roads, which have the costliest repairs, can lead to a growing problem as other roads continue to deteriorate. This session will discuss the key elements of a pavement preservation plan and how planning, merged with a variety of pavement treatment strategies, can stretch your dollars, extend the life of your roads, and increase the overall quality of your roadway network.

**2B. Resources to Make Your Community More Livable**

**Bill Austin, Morgantown Monongalia MPO (MMMPO) and Chandra Inglis-Smith, FHWA**

This presentation will discuss Federal Highway Administration and other resources identifying how to accommodate both vehicular and pedestrian traffic in small communities impacted by a state highway. This presentation will focus on how improvements such as resurfacing projects can be designed in a manner that enhances both traffic operations and the viability of pedestrian traffic when a state route goes through the center of a small town.

**10:00 AM**      **Break (30 Minutes)**

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## 10:30 AM **Breakout Sessions**

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### **3A. Statewide Planning Process** **Perry Keller, WVDOH**

The Statewide & Urban Planning Unit of the Transportation Planning Section works to identify system needs throughout the state for the preparation and updating of the Statewide Multi-modal Long Range Transportation Plan that incorporates all modes of transportation, including the Statewide Bicycle Connectivity Plan. Through the statewide planning process, the Planning Unit works alongside MPOs to develop long-range, fiscally-constrained plans to address needs in urbanized areas in a cost-effective manner. Learn about the planning process and how projects are first developed.

### **3B. Fairfax Boulevard Complete Street** **Edward Erfurt, City of Ranson**

Fairfax Boulevard is a complete/green corridor that will connect the four-lane West Virginia Route 9 at the intersection of the Potomac Marketplace to the City of Ranson's downtown and commerce corridor. The Complete Street Project is the recipient of two federal TIGER grant awards that incorporate innovative design elements and green infrastructure. Design elements include narrow travel lanes, reverse angle on-street parking, bulb-outs/curb extensions, abundant and visible crosswalks, safety strips, increased curb-sidewalk distance, bicycle facilities, including shared-lane markings, and u-racks. Project green infrastructure stormwater elements include silva cells, modular flow-through planters, and micro-pool weir system.

## 11:15 AM **Breakout Sessions**

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### **4A. Can I Get There from Here? Public Works Role in Pedestrian Mobility** **Ron Eck, WV LTAP**

Currently, there is considerable interest in providing complete streets and pedestrian friendly environments in cities and towns. This also means providing access for individuals with disabilities. This session examines challenges that individuals with mobility, sensory, and cognitive disabilities face in moving about in the built environment. A series of snapshots from West Virginia and beyond, depicting actual barriers regularly encountered by disabled pedestrians, will be reviewed, illustrating how, with a little awareness, design, construction, and maintenance personnel can help to remove these barriers.

### **4B. Huntington Transit Impact Study** **Saleem Salameh, KYOVA**

The Tri-State Transit Authority (TTA), in partnership with KYOVA, conducted a comprehensive analysis of bus service in Huntington, West Virginia. The goals of this study were to identify strengths and weaknesses of the existing system, review travel patterns, assess system efficiency, and identify unmet transit needs, as well as recommend service improvements, serve existing riders better, attract new riders, and improve overall system productivity.

## 12:15 PM **Lunch with Keynote Speaker**

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**1:30 PM**      **General Session - City of Dunbar ADA Transition Plan**  
**Kara Greathouse and Kelsey Harrah, RIC**

Learn about engaging with municipalities and local officials on the development and adoption of ADA Transition Plans/Self-Evaluations. An ADA overview will be covered, as well as the basics of Transition Plans/Self-Evaluations, including actions to complete modifications/alterations, schedule for completion, and prioritization process for planned improvements. The City of Dunbar's recently completed ADA Transition Plan/Self-Evaluation will be reviewed, from development to completion to implementation.

**2:00 PM**      **Break (10 Minutes)**

**2:10 PM**      **General Session - A Shared Approach to Improving Roadway Safety**  
**Ron Eck, WV LTAP**

Safety of local roads and streets is a continuing concern. Many different entities, including planning, public works (design, construction, and maintenance), law enforcement, emergency responders, and the community (including pedestrians and bicyclists) are linked to the safety of our roadways. Each entity may perceive safety concerns and solutions differently based on their background and experiences. Bringing these different perspectives together in a formal fashion can help improve roadway safety. A Road Safety Audit (RSA) is a formal safety performance examination of an existing or future road or intersection by an independent multi-disciplinary team. The aim of a RSA is to answer the questions 1) What elements of the road may present a safety concern: to what extent, to which users, and under what circumstances? and 2) What opportunities exist to eliminate or mitigate identified safety concerns? This session will review the key elements of a RSA and provide actual examples of how these questions might be answered.

**2:40 PM**      **General Session - Show Me the Money: Local Public Agency Projects**  
**Tim Sedosky, WVDOH**

Learn of WVDOH's initiatives for the delivery of the Federal-Aid Highway Program through Local Public Agencies (LPAs). Information on approaches, implementation, costs, stewardship, and oversight will be discussed. Specific programs such as Transportation Alternatives and Recreational Trails grants will be highlighted.

**3:10 PM**      **Conference Wrap-up - Where Do We Go From Here?**

**3:30 PM**      **Conference Concludes**

*Partnering for a Better Future underscores the importance of different agencies bringing their expertise and skill sets together to help make our transportation networks and communities stronger and more vital.*



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## Lodging Information

### Morgantown Marriott at Waterfront Place

Two Waterfront Place • Morgantown, WV 26501

A block of rooms is reserved at the Morgantown Marriott. The room rate is \$134 per night plus any applicable taxes. To get this group rate, please reference the group name, **West Virginia Local Technical Assistance Program Spring 2018 Conference**.

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-630-2594 or (304) 296-1700. Reservations can also be made online by clicking [Spring 2018 Conference](#).

The deadline for room reservations is **March 30, 2018**. After this date, the hotel will accept reservations on a space and rate available basis.

## Parking Information

Paid parking is available on-site.

Self-Parking is \$10.00 per day.

Valet Parking is \$14.00 per day.

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# Attendee Registration Information

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Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Additional People Attending \_\_\_\_\_

**The registration fee is \$95 per person and can be remitted by check, payable to WVAMPO.**

Registration \_\_\_\_\_ X \$95 Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: WVAMPO**

**Mail to**

WVAMPO  
Randy Durst, Secretary/Treasurer  
PO Box 247  
Parkersburg, WV 26101

*If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact Randy Durst.*

**Email: [randy.durst@movrc.org](mailto:randy.durst@movrc.org)**

**Phone: (304) 422-4993**

**Registration Fee Includes**

- Break on Wednesday
- Breakfast, Lunch, and Breaks on Thursday
- Conference Materials

Onsite registrations, at a fee of \$125, will be accepted, **payable by check only.**

**However, attendees are strongly encouraged to pre-register.**

*Cancellation Policy: No refunds will be given after April 12, 2018. Cancellations received prior to this date will be assessed a cancellation fee of \$20.00.*



# Sponsor Registration & Contract

**Exhibit Set-Up**

Wednesday, April 18, 2018  
8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

**Exhibit Tear-Down**

Thursday, April 19, 2018  
1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

**Display Times:**

Wednesday: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Thursday: 7:00 AM to 1:30 PM

**Company Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Representative's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Job Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

**State** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person** *(if different from above)* \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of Additional People Attending** \_\_\_\_\_  
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The sponsorship fee is \$500.00. This includes:

- One complimentary exhibit space, approximately 10 x 10 with table and two chairs
- One complimentary conference registration (includes meal pass for all conference meals)
- Acknowledgement listing in the official program

Sponsorship Fee \_\_\_\_\_ X \$500

Additional Person Fee \_\_\_\_\_ X \$95

Total Due \_\_\_\_\_

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **WVAMPO**

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*Please select the following as they pertain to your exhibit space.*

- Tabletop Display
- Free Standing Floor Display
- Electricity
- Other special equipment or setup needs.

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## Restaurant Information

### Waterfront

#### **Bourbon Prime**

2 Waterfront Place, Morgantown, WV 26501  
(304) 284-9850

#### **Morgantown Flour & Feed**

156 Clay Street, Morgantown, WV 26501  
(304) 212-5092

#### **Mountain State Brewing Company**

54 Clay Street, Morgantown, WV 26501  
(304) 241-1976

#### **Oliverio's**

52 Clay Street, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 296-2565

#### **Table 9**

40 Donley Street, Morgantown, WV 26501  
(304) 554-2050

### Downtown Morgantown

#### **Black Bear Burritos**

132 Pleasant Street, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 296-8696

#### **Iron Horse Tavern**

140 High Street, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 296-6230

#### **Morgantown Brewing Company**

1291 University Avenue, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 292-6959

#### **Tailpipes**

417 High Street, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 225-2535

#### **Tin 202**

202 High Street, Morgantown, WV 26505  
(304) 212-5863