12th National Conference

“Tools of the Trade” is a national conference providing ready-to-use, economical and practical techniques for transportation professionals in small (under 50,000) and medium-sized (50,000 – 250,000) communities.

You are invited to participate in the 12th National “Tools of the Trade” Conference to be held in Historic Williamsburg, Virginia, September 22-24, 2010 at the Crowne Plaza at Fort Magruder, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, VA (phone 757-220-2250).

For general questions about the conference see the TRB Committee website (http://www.trbtoolsofthetrade.org/), find us on facebook at http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/TRB-Committee-ADA-30/283335796263?ref=mf or contact Marsha Fiol, Virginia Department of Transportation, Phone 804 786-2985, E-mail: Marsha.Fiol@VDOT.Virginia.gov

Session Topics May Include:

- **Transit Planning** – park and ride, small systems planning, innovative services, TOD land use integration, coordination of human services transportation, new starts and “small starts” small scale systems
- **Small Urban System Planning** – access management, multimodal studies, sub-area studies, traffic circulation
- **Livable Communities** – traffic calming, linking land use and transportation, bicycles and pedestrians, Safe Routes to School, roundabouts
- **Financial Strategies** – funding estimates, asset management, innovative financing, partnerships
- **Rural Transportation** – long range plans, rural ITS and safety, corridor management, satellite communities
- **Technology Sharing** - travel demand modeling, data collection and analysis, performance measures, GIS
- **Historic Preservation** – streamlining, mitigation projects, enhancement projects, stewardship of historic roads and bridges, tribal and archeological issues
- **Tourism** – planning for special event traffic, way finding systems, alternative modes, seasonal congestion
- **Local Transportation Issues** – regional coordination, growth management policy and property rights, land use and growth management, funding for local transportation improvements
- **Project Programming Process** – TIP and STIP development, prioritizing, fiscal constraint
- **Public Involvement** – outreach techniques, media, dispute resolution, non-traditional stakeholders, using public input in decisions, visualization
- **Transportation Logistics** – freight issues, trade corridors, intermodal connectors, hazardous materials
- **Environmental Issues** – integrating NEPA, environmental justice, conformity, legal issues
- **Reauthorization** – guidance for new MPO’s, revenue options, impacts of the global economy, climate change, issues and opportunities with stimulus money
- **Project Planning and Air Quality Issues** – linkages between the transportation project process and air quality, emission inventories/modeling, dealing with non-attainment

Conference Organizers are currently in the process of applying for AICP Credits for the conference.

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