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MAASTO Intermodal Freight Summit, Spring 2017

- Dates:** Monday, April 10, 2017, 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 3:00 p.m.
- Location:** Palmer House Hotel, Downtown Chicago
17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60603
- Purpose:** Establish new MAASTO initiative(s) focused on intermodal freight with the ultimate goal of strengthening the Midwest economy and improving the mobility of goods and people. During the summit, participants will focus on:
- **Capital Priorities:** Identify priority freight corridors/ bottlenecks and capital projects with Midwest benefits for targeted/ shared investment and related advocacy.
 - **Eliminating Borders and Barriers:** Determine collaborative opportunities for MAASTO DOTs to create a seamless freight environment that better meets private sector needs.
- Participants:** Roughly 55 [state participants](#) made up of the following:
- Members of the MAASTO Board of Directors
 - MAASTO Committees Representatives
 - Strategic Transportation Issues Committee
 - Planning Directors Committee
 - Chief Engineers Committee
 - Motor Carrier Committee
 - Mid-America Freight Coalition Program Manager
 - Private Sector Experts (Day 2 Private Sector Panel)

Agenda:

Day 1	
1:00 p.m.	Depart for tour <i>Meet in front of the hotel at the Wabash Street entrance.</i>
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Bus Tour: Illinois International Port District (3600 E. 95 th Street, Chicago IL 60617) Objective: Learn more about the role ports play in intermodal freight activity. Discuss capital challenges and Midwest benefits of improvements as a case study for how to establish MAASTO capital priorities and investment strategies.
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Return from tour
5:30 – 6:45 p.m.	BOD reception <i>Hotel Room 13173</i>

7:15 – 9:45 p.m.	Dinner at Seven Lions (130 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60603) <i>Meet in front of the hotel at the Wabash Street entrance at 7:00 to depart.</i>
Day 2	
7:45 – 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast, Committees Meet <i>Third Floor: Logan Room – Board of Directors; Indiana Room – Planning and STIC Committees; Kimball Room – Chief Engineers and Motor Carrier Committees</i>
8:45 – 9:00 a.m.	Break
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.	<p>Private Sector Panel</p> <p>Objective: Discuss where state DOTs are seen as ineffective when it comes to the efficient movement of goods; identify where states can better collaborate to meet private sector needs.</p> <p>Participants (including biographies):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Bristol, Assistant Vice President of Network Development, Union Pacific Railroad • Mike Mitchell, General Manger, Denton Cartage (Trucking Firm) • Del Wilkins, Vice President of Northern Operations and Business Development, Canal Barge • Ognen Stojanovski, Otto (Self-Driving Technology Company with Trucking Focus) <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where do you run into challenges when working with state DOTs? How can state DOTs be better partners to improve the safe, efficient shipping of goods? • Where do you run into operational challenges when crossing state lines? What opportunities do we have as state DOTs to streamline or harmonize regulations, services, agreements, etc.? • What capital challenges do you see as being most significant to your operations across modes? Where are there opportunities for us to partner (public and private, public across state lines) on solving those capital challenges collectively? <p><i>Third Floor: Crystal Room</i></p>
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Break <i>Coffee available outside of Crystal Room</i>
11:00 a.m. – Noon	Debrief Private Sector Panel

	<p>Objective: Discuss major takeaways from the private sector panel, identify opportunities for future MAASTO activity and which committees are best suited to tackle.</p> <p><i>Crystal Room</i></p>
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	<p>Lunch</p> <p><i>Logan Room – Board of Directors; Indiana Room – Planning and STIC Committees; Kimball Room – Chief Engineers and Motor Carrier Committees</i></p>
1:00 – 1:15 p.m.	<p>Break</p>
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	<p>Planning Committee Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish Mid-America Freight Coalition research projects for FY17-18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: Mid-America Freight Coalition Draft Research Ideas • Review freight priority corridor maps, discuss opportunities to develop a multimodal network corridor approach to aid capital prioritization and investment strategies at Midwest-level. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: MAASTO High-Volume Freight Network map, Marine Highways map, Significant Highway Freight Corridors table, Summary of Challenges and Best Practices from State Freight Advisory Plans <p>Motor Carrier Committee Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review list of potential MCC initiatives in light of morning discussion; narrow in on a top priority initiatives. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: MCC Work to Date and Potential Initiatives <p>STIC Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status update on Alternative Funding Grant proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: Alternative Funding Proposal • Review other federal discretionary funding opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: Federal Freight Funding Opportunities • Discuss opportunities around autonomous vehicle coordination and the appropriate structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference: Summary of AV Regulations by State <p><i>Crystal Room</i></p>
2:45 – 3:00 p.m.	<p>Wrap Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recap new initiatives that MAASTO will pursue as a result of the summit <p><i>Crystal Room</i></p>

Please note, attire at the summit is business casual.

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