
Freight 2055 Roundtable Discussion Agenda

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Arlington, Texas

- 9:00 – 9:30 Arrival and Registration
- 9:30 – 10:00 Welcome / Introductions / Study and Roundtable Objectives
Michael Morris (North Central Texas Council of Governments)
Caroline Mays (Texas Department of Transportation)
Jolanda Prozzi (Texas A&M Transportation Institute)
- 10:00 – 12:00 Presentations / Remarks
- Major Factors/Trends
 - Global Trade Patterns (*Jeff Warner – Texas A&M Transportation Institute*)
 - Socio-demographic Trends (*Mike Cline – Rice University*)
 - Environmental Trends (*Megan Kenney - Texas A&M Transportation Institute*)
 - Technology Trends (*Rajat Rajbhandari - Texas A&M Transportation Institute*)
 - Industry Perspective (*C. Michael Walton – Center for Transportation Research and Arturo Bujanda/Juan Villa – Texas A&M Transportation Institute*)
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch*
- 1:00 – 4:00 Roundtable Discussion
- Discuss Factors/Trends
 - Impact on Texas’s businesses/Where products are sourced and delivered?
 - Changes in the origins of freight shipments/where inputs are sourced
 - Changes in freight destinations/locations of final demand
 - Impact on transportation modes/ How businesses move freight?
 - Changes in transportation modes used
 - Changes in freight volumes/shipment size and freight value
 - Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)
 - TxDOT’s role in 2015 to facilitate the Freight System of 2055
 - What freight strategies should be adopted?
 - What opportunities (including critical investments) exist?
 - What constraints need to be overcome?
- 4:00 – 4:30 Feedback/Wrap-up
- 4:30 Adjourn

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