

National Surface
TRANSPORTATION POLICY
AND REVENUE STUDY COMMISSION

Chicago Field Hearing Agenda

April 18 – 19, 2007

*James R. Thompson Center Auditorium
100 West Randolph Street, Chicago, IL 60606*



The Chicago Field Hearing is being hosted by:



April 18, 2007

1:00 PM Opening Remarks, Chair of the Commission

1:10 PM – 2:10 PM

Panel #1 METROPOLITAN SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS

- John Webber, Assistant to the Secretary, Illinois Department of Transportation
- Cheri Heramb, Acting Commissioner, Chicago Department of Transportation
- Frank Kruesi, President, Chicago Transit Authority
- Maggie Walsh, President , WTS Greater Chicago Chapter
Senior Associate, CTE
- Randall S. Blakenhorn, Executive Director
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

**Panel #2 MOVING PRODUCTS AND FREIGHT ACROSS THE NATION, NOW
AND IN THE FUTURE**

- Kirk Steudle, Director, Michigan Department of Transportation
- Tom Jensen, Vice President Public Affairs, UPS
- Steve Ruh, President, Illinois Corn Growers Association

3:20 PM – 4:20 PM

**Panel #3 REGIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION ISSUES AND THE
IMPACT ON THE GLOBAL ECONOMY**

- John Clark, Chair, Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority
- Doug Whitley, President and CEO, Illinois State Chamber of Commerce
- Michael McLaughlin, Transportation Director, Metropolitan Planning Council

4:30 PM Public Comment

(Each speaker can address the Commission for 2 minutes)

5:00 PM Adjourn

5:00 – 5:30 PM Media Availability (in JRTC Auditorium)

April 19, 2007

8:30 AM Opening Remarks by Chair / Vice Chair of the Commission

8:40 AM – 9:40 AM

Panel #4 SAFETY SOLUTIONS FOR THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

- Pete Rahn, Secretary, Missouri Department of Transportation
AASSHTO Committee on Highway Traffic Safety
- Barbara Harsha, Executive Director, Governor's Highway Safety Association
- Mike Stout, Director, Illinois Department of Transportation,
Division of Traffic Safety
- Glynn Birch, National President, Mothers Against Drunk Driving
- Jackie Gillan, Vice President, Advocates for Highway Safety

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

Panel#5 THE ROLE OF INTERSTATE AND INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL IN THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

- John Spring, Mayor, Quincy, IL
- David Cieslewicz, Mayor, Madison, WI
- Tom Barrett, Mayor, Milwaukee, WI
- Alexander Kummant, CEO, Amtrak
- Laura Kliewer, Director, Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission

10:50 AM – 11:50 AM

Panel #6 SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHANGES THAT WILL IMPACT THE FUTURE OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

- Frank Beal, Executive Director, Chicago Metropolis 2020
- John Norquist, President and CEO, Congress for the New Urbanism
- Scott Bernstein, President, Center for Neighborhood Technology
- Conrad Egan, President and CEO, National Housing Conference
- Leobardo Estrada, Ph.D., Member, AARP Board of Directors

11:55 AM - 12:25 PM Media Availability (JRTC Auditorium)

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1:15 PM – 2:15 PM

Panel #7 **VISION AND FUNDING STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THE FUTURE
NEEDS OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK**

- Gary Ridley, Director, Oklahoma Department of Transportation
- Tim Martin, Senior Vice President, CTE/AECOM
- Bill Grams, Executive Director, Illinois Road and Transportation Builders
- Tom Walker, Director of Government Affairs,
Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association
- Michael Staczak, President, Hanson Material Service
First Vice Chair, National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association

2:15 PM **Public Comment**

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2:30 PM **Adjourn**