



Preliminary Agenda 3-04-08

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAIL TRANSPORTATION

March 10-11, 2008

**The Hall of the States
444 North Capitol Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.**

**Chair: Astrid Glynn
Commissioner
New York DOT**

**Vice-Chair: Ken Uznanski, Manager
Rail Passenger
Washington DOT**

SUNDAY, MARCH 9th

1:00 p.m. States for Passenger Rail Coalition

MONDAY, MARCH 10th

**8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Registration**

8:30 a.m. Chairman's Remarks

Self-Introductions

9:30 a.m. **Washington Report**

Panel I

**Stephen Gardner, Professional Staff Member -- Majority
Senate Commerce Committee, Surface Transportation and
Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security**

**John Brennan, Staff Director – Minority
House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines and Hazardous
Materials**

**Kate Hallahan – Professional Staff – Majority
House Appropriations Committee Subcommittee on
Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related
Agencies**

Panel II

**Jennifer Macdonald, Director
Government Affairs
Association of American Railroads**

**Steve Sullivan, Vice President and Executive Director
American Short Line and Regional Association**

**Joe McHugh, Vice President
Government Affairs and Corporate Communications
Amtrak**

**Art Guzzeti, Vice President
Policy
American Public Transportation Association**

11:30 a.m. **Lunch**

**Speaker: Jack Schenendorf, Vice Chairman
National Surface Transportation Commission**

Task Force Meetings I.

1:00 p.m. **State Programs Task Force**

Railroad Passenger Task Force

3:00 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m. **State Intercity Passenger Rail Capital Grant Program**

Mark Yachmetz, FRA

4:30 p.m. **SCORT Policy -Member Discussion**

5:30 p.m. **Recess**

6:30 p.m. **Reception and Dinner**

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TUESDAY, MARCH 11th

8:00 a.m. **Executive Committee Meeting**

8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

9:00 a.m. **Committee Initiatives**

Freight Transportation Bottom Line Report
Shared Use Corridor Cost Allocation Guidebook
Rail Planning Guidebook

10:00 a.m. **'08 House Rail Agenda**

Honorable Corrine Brown
U.S. House of Representatives, D-Florida, 3rd District
Chair, Railroad Subcommittee, House Transportation and Infrastructure
Committee

10:30 a.m. **Task Force Meetings II**

Railroad Safety Task Force

Freight Movement and Industry Restructuring Task Force

12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

Business Meeting

- Reports by Task Force Chairs
- Policies and Resolutions
- Milwaukee Meeting
- SCORT Operations
- Other

2:00 p.m. **Workshop on Marketing Rail**

Marketing professionals and freight and passenger rail communications staff will lead a session on promoting the importance of rail transportation.

4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

MARCH 13th RAILROAD DAY ON THE HILL

Details provided separately