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## **Nebraska State Transportation Council (STIC) Charter**

### **Purpose**

This charter establishes the Nebraska State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) and defines its mission, scope and responsibility. Nebraska's STIC is formerly recognized as the Nebraska Innovation Task Force.

### **Vision**

The STIC will foster a collaborative culture for rapid implementation of meaningful innovations to efficiently deliver to the public a modern, high quality transportation system.

### **Mission**

To explore, evaluate, recommend technologies, strategies and techniques that will contribute to smart, efficient investments in Nebraska's transportation system.

### **Scope and Responsibility**

The STIC shall provide multi-stakeholder leadership to perpetuate the deployment of innovation in Nebraska. The objectives and duties of the STIC shall be to explore, evaluate and recommend ways to ensure that the State responds to key issues and challenges that impact the highway program. The STIC will act as a catalyst for rapid deployment of nationally identified technologies, techniques and tactics that have been demonstrated in "real world" applications and can offer improved performance/effectiveness in Nebraska. Responsibilities of the STIC include:

- Advise the State CEO and provide a means of ensuring regular contact between the State DOR, local Public Agencies and the diverse interests in Nebraska's transportation system.
- Advise the State CEO on the implementation of innovation and related matters.
- Provide leadership to promote and support rapid deployment of technologies, strategies and techniques.
- Provide a forum for discussing and proposing solutions to transportation-related problems.
- Act as a liaison among the stakeholders represented by the membership, and provide a forum for those stakeholders on current and emerging issues in the transportation sector.
- Develop a process to select technologies, strategies and techniques on which to focus implementation efforts.
- Identify and mobilize champions within the state who are committed to the deployment of chosen technologies, strategies and techniques.

- Monitor performance metrics to ensure priority initiatives move into standard practice.
- Share information with all state stakeholders through meetings, workshops and conferences.

**Membership**

The STIC’s membership shall reflect the diversity of Nebraska’s transportation interests by representing a balanced cross section, including public and private entities from various geographic locations and agencies. Membership includes:

- NDOR
- Local Public Agencies
- Nebraska Legislature
- State Highway Commission
- Finance Industry
- FHWA
- University Transportation Center
- Contractors
- Chambers of Commerce
- Consultants
- Agricultural Industry
- Trucking Industry
- Economic Development

**Meetings**

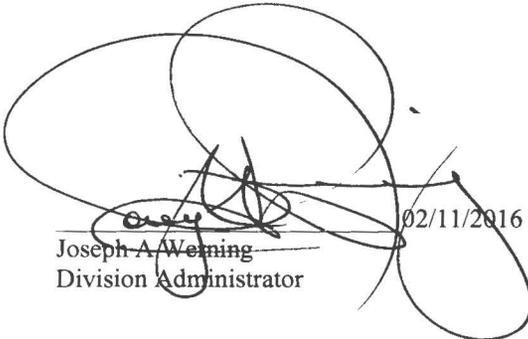
At a minimum, the STIC shall meet quarterly. In addition, the STIC may be convened more frequently in a special session to address unique or timely topics, as appropriate.

Members are expected to attend all meetings. Attendance may be in person or any two-way, interactive communications means, such as conference call or video conference. If necessary, a member may be represented by a designated alternate. Innovations (technologies, strategies and techniques) will be fully explored and discussed, with emphasis given to those innovations that have the greatest potential application and implementation to the Nebraska highway program.

**Subcommittees**

The STIC may establish subordinate committees as it considers necessary for the implementation of initiatives.

  
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