



Canada - United States Transportation Border Working Group
Spring 2015 Meeting – Agenda
 Marriott Sable Oaks Hotel, Portland, Maine, USA

DAY ONE – Tuesday, March 3, 2015

8:00	Self-Registration	
8:00 - 8:15	TBWG Call to Order & Welcoming Remarks <u>TBWG Co-Chairs:</u> <i>Tom Oommen, Transport Canada & Ken Petty, Federal Highway Administration</i> Housekeeping Announcements & Participant Introductions	
8:15 - 8:20	Local Welcome <i>Cheryl Martin, Assistant Division Administrator, Maine Division, Federal Highway Administration</i>	
8:20 - 9:30	Border Infrastructure Session <u>Committee Co-Chairs:</u> <i>Christopher Dingman, Federal Highway Administration & Melissa Dawn Newhook, Transport Canada</i>	
	Baudette – Rainy River Border Project Updates International Bridge <i>Joe McKinnon, Minnesota Department of Transportation</i> CBSA Project Update <i>Sylvain Cyr, Canada Border Services Agency</i> Public Bridge Operators Association <i>Lew Holloway, Niagara Falls Bridge Commission</i>	Border Infrastructure Investment Plan Update <i>Melissa Dawn Newhook, Transport Canada,</i> <i>Chris Dingman, Federal Highway Administration,</i> <i>Sylvain Cyr, Canada Border Services Agency &</i> <i>Daniel Hayes, Customs and Border Protection</i>
9:30 - 9:45	Networking Break	
9:45 - 10:15	Emergency Bridge Operations: Snow Disaster Impact & Improved Traffic Information Systems to the Rescue <i>Ron Rienas, Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority</i>	
10:15 - 11:15	Technology Session <u>Committee Co-Chairs:</u> <i>Julie Irvine, Transport Canada & Tiffany Julien, Federal Highway Administration</i>	
	Overview of Canada-U.S.-Mexico Border Wait Time Peer Exchange <i>Travis Black, Federal Highway Administration &</i> <i>Julie Irvine, Transport Canada</i> Estimating Truck Border Wait Times Using Geospatial Data <i>Andrew Carter, Transport Canada (Remote Presentation)</i>	Incorporating Booth Status Data into a Regional Archive <i>Melissa Fanucci,</i> <i>Senior Planner, Whatcom Council of Governments</i>
11:15 - 12:00	Trade and Traffic Data Session <u>Committee Co-Chairs:</u> <i>David Franklin, Federal Highway Administration & Rob Tardif, Ontario Ministry of Transportation</i>	
	Border Survey Workshops <i>Rob Tardif, Ontario Ministry of Transportation</i>	NEXUS & Border Wait Times <i>Christopher Dingman, Federal Highway Administration</i>
12:00 - 1:15	Lunch (Individual Arrangements)	
1:15 - 2:15	Border Security in the Fourth Quarter of the Obama Administration: Rally Before the Buzzer, or Playing Out the Clock? <i>Dr. Christopher Sands, Hudson Institute</i>	
2:15 - 3:00	Economic Implications of the Canada-U.S. Border Bridges: Applying a Binational Local Economic Model for International Freight Movements <i>Dr. JiYoung Park, University at Buffalo</i>	
3:00 - 3:15	Networking Break	
3:15 - 4:15	Policy Session <u>Committee Co-Chairs:</u> <i>Hugh Conroy, Whatcom Council of Governments & Tom Oommen, Transport Canada</i> Great Plains States/Prairie Provinces Steering Committee Representation <i>David Lettner, Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation</i> Evaluating the Feasibility of an RFID Pilot – Group Discussion <i>Hugh Conroy, Whatcom Council of Governments</i>	
	Summary Comments and Adjournment Day One <i>David Franklin, Federal Highway Administration & Melissa Dawn Newhook, Transport Canada</i>	
4:15 - 4:30		



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DAY TWO – Wednesday, March 4, 2015

8:00	Self – Registration
8:00 - 8:10	Call to Order TBWG Co-Chairs: <i>Ken Petty, Federal Highway Administration & Tom Oommen, Transport Canada</i> Secondary Introductions
8:10 - 9:30	Ottawa & Washington Updates <i>Tom Oommen, Transport Canada</i> <i>Sylvain Cyr, Canada Border Services Agency</i> <i>Lisa Dye, Customs and Border Protection &</i> <i>Ken Petty, Federal Highway Administration</i>
9:30 - 10:00	Pembina-Emerson Port of Entry Duty Free Shop Relocation <i>Stephanie Hickman, Federal Highway Administration & David Lettner, Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation</i>
10:00 - 10:15	Networking Break
10:15 - 11:15	Rail Discussion Group Group Co-Chairs <i>Barbara Klein-Barr, Federal Railroad Administration & Lenore Duff, Transport Canada</i> Liability and Compensation Regime for Railways <i>Lenore Duff, Transport Canada</i> Amtrak – International Passenger Rail Update <i>Edgar Courtemanch, Amtrak</i> High Speed Rail in Canada <i>Iris Fawcett, Ontario Ministry of Transportation</i>
11:15 - 11:45	An Assessment of Future Bilateral Trade Flows and their Implications for U.S. Border Infrastructure <i>Dr. Laurie Trautman, Border Policy Research Institute</i>
11:45 - 1:00	Lunch (Individual Arrangements)
1:00 - 1:30	Perspectives on Transportation <i>Acting Administrator Gregory G. Nadeau, Federal Highway Administration</i>
1:30 - 2:00	Scenario Planning of Future Freight and Passenger Traffic Flows across the US/Mexico and US/Canada Borders <i>Travis Black, Federal Highway Administration</i>
2:00 - 2:15	U.S. – Mexico Border Master Planning Overview <i>Tricia Harr, Federal Highway Administration</i>
2:15 - 2:40	Washington State – British Columbia Border Master Planning Startup <i>Todd Carlson, Washington State Department of Transportation</i>
2:40 - 2:55	Networking Break
2:55 - 4:00	Freight Panel Discussion MAP-21 Freight Provisions – Status Review <i>Tiffany Julien, Federal Highway Administration</i> Texas Freight Plan Presentation <i>Caroline Mays, Texas Department of Transportation</i> New York State Freight Plan Presentation <i>Maria Chau (New York State Division) Federal Highway Administration</i>
4:00 - 4:15	Summary Comments and Final Adjournment <i>Melissa Dawn Newhook, Transport Canada & David Franklin, Federal Highway Administration</i>