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FHWA Activities

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“AT USDOT, WE ARE MAKING OPPORTUNITY AND INCLUSION PART OF EVERYTHING WE DO.”

— U.S. Department of Transportation
Secretary Anthony R. Foxx

Connecting People to Opportunity

Transportation connects people to opportunity and can invigorate opportunity within communities. To the greatest extent possible, we should support transportation projects that do both.

While we cannot change the past, we can ensure that current and future transportation projects connect and strengthen communities, including areas that have, in the past, been on the wrong side of transportation decisions.

Transportation facilities should be built by, for and with the communities impacted by them. Development of transportation facilities should meaningfully reflect and incorporate the input of all the people and communities they touch.
Community Connections

- Proposed initiative for EDC-4

- Aimed at educating planners, environmental specialists, and designers on:
  - using existing and new planning practices
  - Integrating planning and environmental linkages
  - Identifying design flexibilities to connect communities

- Provides a forum to identify effective design strategies as part of the project planning and development process.
Community Connections

- Goal is to create visibility and awareness of the role transportation can play in supporting community revitalization.

- EDC summits would showcase examples and share information on strategies and tools such as scenario planning techniques, visualization tools, public involvement techniques, unique design approaches, etc.
Office of Innovative Program Delivery

- **Leadership:**
  - Tony Furst, Chief Innovation Officer

- **Organization:**
  - The Center for Innovative Finance Support
  - The Center for Accelerating Innovation
  - The Center for Transportation Workforce Development
  - The Center for Local-Aid Support
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Regulatory Activities - Other

- Tunnel Inspection Standards
- Bridge Inspection Standards
- Report to Congress on Element Level Inspection for Non-NHS Bridges
- Controlling Criteria
- 23 CFR 625 (Design Standards)

http://www.dot.gov/regulations/report-on-significant-rulemakings
Fixing America Surface Transportation Act (FAST)

- Established a FAST Act web site:
  - 22 guidance documents (including nearly 100 Q&As)
  - nearly 30 programmatic fact sheets with information about many FAST Act programs and provisions

- Additional guidance over the coming months.
FAST Guidance – Past month or so

- Chief Financial Officer
  - Funding and Apportionments Qs & As (April 22, 2016)
  - Obligation Limitation Qs & As (April 22, 2016)
  - Suballocation of Apportioned Funds Qs & As (April 4, 2016)
  - Transferability of Apportioned Funds Between Programs Qs & As (April 22, 2016)
FAST Guidance – Past month or so

- **Environment, Planning, and Realty**
  - Transportation Alternatives (May 13, 2016)

- **Federal Lands Highway**
  - FAST Act Changes to the Emergency Relief for Federal Owned Roads Program (May 13, 2016)

- **Infrastructure**
  - Emergency Relief Program Qs & As (April 6, 2016)
  - Programmatic Agreement for Processing Interstate Access Requests (April 26, 2016)
FAST Guidance – Past month or so

- **Safety**
  - [HSIP Implementation Guidance](#) (April 22, 2016)
  - [Older Drivers and Pedestrians Special Rule](#) (May 5, 2016)

FAST Fact sheets – Posted April 15, 2016

- Design standards
- Intelligent transportation systems (ITS) program
- Performance management
- Statewide and nonmetropolitan planning
- Tolling and HOV
Current Issues

- FAST Act Significant Bridge Issue
- Buy America
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation
- Title VI Compliance
- ADA Section 504
EVERY DAY COUNTS
Innovation through Technology and Collaboration

- STIC Network Complete!
- Partnering with AASHTO
- Selected EDC-3 Accomplishments
  - Road diet standard in 11 states + DC
  - Construction 99% paperless in MO
  - Texas RR agreement processing time < 1 month
- Looking Ahead – EDC-4