



Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Stassen Building, 600 N. Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota [Skjegstad Room]

PROGRAM AGENDA

7:45 AM

Registration and Continental Breakfast

Sign in, introduce yourself to new partners, and enjoy morning refreshments.

8:30 AM

Host Welcome

[Charles Zelle](#), Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Transportation

[Diane Turchetta](#), Transportation Specialist, U.S. Federal Highway Administration

Minnesota leadership and the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) lead on alternative fuel corridors provide welcome and introductory remarks on the importance of regional coordination and partnerships to support the development of alternative fuel corridors and a sustainable transportation network.

8:50 AM

Setting the Stage: Partnership Goals and Objectives

[Geoff Morrison](#), Senior Associate, Sustainable Transportation Practice, Cadmus

[Alycia Gilde](#), Director, CALSTART

Get ready to "roll up your sleeves" for day-long, results-driven discussions as meeting hosts present convening objectives to enhance multi-state collaboration, evaluate key barriers, and find solutions to advance alternative fuel corridors in the Midwest.

9:00 AM

Designated Corridors and Infrastructure Gap Analysis

[Mike Scarpino](#), Transportation Project Engineer, U.S. Department of Transportation Volpe Center

[Stephen Costa](#), Technical Analyst, U.S. Department of Transportation Volpe Center

Before diving into a discussion on the barriers and opportunities to infrastructure development, FHWA provides an update on regional alternative fuel corridors analysis highlighting potential target areas for continued corridor development.

9:20 AM

Midwest Alternative Fuel Corridor Initiatives

Moderator: **Marcy Rood**, Principal Transportation Analyst, Argonne National Lab

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[Carl Lisek](#), Executive Director, South Shore Clean Cities [I-80 Corridor]
[Lisa Thurstin](#), Senior Manager, Clean Fuel & Vehicle Technologies, American Lung Association and Minnesota Clean Cities [Michigan to Montana “M2M” Alternative Fuels Corridor]
[Tim Sexton](#), Director, Transit and Active Transportation, Minnesota Department of Transportation [I-94 Corridor]
[Mark Finnicum](#), Chief Operations Officer, Stark Area Regional Transit Authority (SARTA) [Hydrogen Roadmap for the Midwest]

Partners throughout the region present on innovative programs currently advancing alternative fuel corridors for electric, hydrogen, propane, and compressed natural gas vehicles. Hear first-hand about the partners, technologies, and funding that are making it possible.

10:20 AM **Quick Break**

10:35 AM **Filling the Gap: Strategy, Technology, and Partnership for Infrastructure Development**

[Gilbert Nunez](#), Manager, Customer Solutions and Business Development, Alliant Energy
[Joel Fasnacht](#), Business Development, Alternative and Commercial Fuels, Kwik Trip
[Kevin Miller](#), Director, Public Policy, ChargePoint
[Ryan Erickson](#), General Manager of Strategic Development, Trillium
[Jeff Hove](#), Fuels Specialist, National Association of Truck Stop Operators (NATSO)

Public and private partners discuss the challenges and best practices for the planning and implementation of alternative fuel corridors. Technology and fuel suppliers, utilities, government and fleets share perspectives on how to “fill the infrastructure gap.” During this session, FHWA seeks feedback on how the Agency can help states meet their corridor goals.

12:05 PM **Lunch Box and Tools**

- *EVI-Pro Lite Tool*
- *AFDC Locator*
- *FHWA Alternative Fuel Toolkit*
- *Collablocation*
- *EV Explorer*
- *EV Emissions Tool*

Enjoy lunch while learning about the helpful tools available to support with alternative fuel corridor development.

12:50 PM **Sneak Preview: Alternative Fuels Data Center Station Locator Redesign and Corridor Tool**

[Johanna Levene](#), Manager, Transportation Data and Tools, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
[Matt Rahill](#), Alternative Fuels Data Center Lead, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) is working closely with FHWA to make it easier to plan for alternative fuel infrastructure along highway corridors. During this session, representatives from NREL will share upcoming changes to the Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC)

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alternative fueling station locator and introduce a corridor tool under development, allowing attendees to provide their input and feedback.

1:20 PM

Improving Visibility: Posting Signage and Promoting Benefits of Alternative Fuel Corridors

[Ryan Erickson](#), General Manager of Strategic Development, Trillium [Perspective shared for Love's Travel Stops]

Chris Schmidt, Air Quality Manager, Illinois Department of Transportation

[Lorrie Lisek](#), Executive Director, Wisconsin Clean Cities [Wisconsin Smart Fleet]

[Carl Lisek](#), Executive Director, South Shore Clean Cities [Green Fleet Indiana]

[Samantha Bingham](#), Clean Transportation Program Director, Chicago Department of Transportation & Chicago Area Clean Cities [Midwest EVOLVE]

During this session, partners discuss the strategies, partnerships, and resources required to build awareness on the availability and benefits of alternative fuel corridors, as well as experiences developing corridor signage and how strategic outreach can drive demand and market growth for advanced vehicles.

2:05 PM

Funding for Corridors: Federal & State Funds, Volkswagen Settlement and Innovative Financing

[Samantha Bingham](#), Clean Transportation Program Director, Chicago Department of Transportation & Chicago Area Clean Cities [Drive Clean Chicago]

[Leigh Oesterling](#), Planning and Environment Team Leader, Ohio FHWA Division Office [Alternative Fuel Infrastructure/Transit]

Joyce Newland, Planning and Environmental Specialist, Indiana FHWA Division Office [Public Private Partnerships and Electric Vehicles]

[Angie Poole](#), Transportation Planner, Iowa Department of Transportation [Iowa Volkswagen Settlement Plan]

Partners evaluate the challenges and opportunities to fund alternative fuel infrastructure projects to expand corridors. Topics include federal grant programs such as the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program, state status on Volkswagen (VW) Settlement funds and potential use for infrastructure, the role of utilities in infrastructure costs and development, and approaches to innovative financing.

3:15 PM

Quick Break

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Our Path Forward: Sustaining Partnerships for Corridor Growth

Partners summarize convening outcomes, evaluate opportunities to improve regional coordination, commit to partnership, and put forth actions to expand alternative fuel corridors and the marketplace for advanced vehicle technologies in the Midwest.

4:30 PM

Adjourn

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