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28	Natl Society of Professional Engineers	<a href="http://www.nspe.org/govrel/gr2-4020.asp">http://www.nspe.org/govrel/gr2-4020.asp</a>
29	Natl Stone, Sand, & Gravel Assoc.	<a href="http://www.nssga.org/publicpolicy/tea21.pdf">http://www.nssga.org/publicpolicy/tea21.pdf</a>
30	NE Assoc of State Transp Officials	<a href="http://www.dot.state.ny.us/nasto/tea21a.html">http://www.dot.state.ny.us/nasto/tea21a.html</a>
31	Oregon DOT	<a href="http://www.odot.state.or.us/comm/newscenter/112902TEA.pdf">http://www.odot.state.or.us/comm/newscenter/112902TEA.pdf</a>
32	Original TEA-21 Background (FHWA)	<a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/index.htm">www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/index.htm</a>
33	Public Transp Partnership for Tomorrow	<a href="http://www.publictransportation.org/news_investment.html">http://www.publictransportation.org/news_investment.html</a>
34	Southern Governors' Assoc	<a href="http://www.southerngovernors.org/initiatives/EcDev/transportation.html">http://www.southerngovernors.org/initiatives/EcDev/transportation.html</a>
35	Surface Transportation Policy Project	<a href="http://www.tea3.org/default.asp">http://www.tea3.org/default.asp</a>
36	TEX-21 (Texas Coalition)	<a href="http://www.tex21.net/downloads/pdfs/pr-00501.pdf">http://www.tex21.net/downloads/pdfs/pr-00501.pdf</a>
37	Urban Consortium	<a href="http://pti.nw.dc.us/task_forces/transportation/TEA21/">http://pti.nw.dc.us/task_forces/transportation/TEA21/</a>
38	US Chamber of Commerce	<a href="http://www.uschamber.com/government/issues/transportation/transportation.htm">http://www.uschamber.com/government/issues/transportation/transportation.htm</a>
39	US Conference of Mayors	<a href="http://www.usmayors.org/uscm/us_mayor_newspaper/documents/07_01_02/TEA21.asp">http://www.usmayors.org/uscm/us_mayor_newspaper/documents/07_01_02/TEA21.asp</a>
40	USDOT Official Reauthorization Web-site	<a href="http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/reauthorization">www.fhwa.dot.gov/reauthorization</a>
41	Washington State DOT	<a href="http://www.governor.wa.gov/transportation/tea-21.pdf">http://www.governor.wa.gov/transportation/tea-21.pdf</a>

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State Briefings Trips

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**Greetings ATSIP**

I cannot believe how fast this year is disappearing. It seems as if Christmas was last week but Valentines Day is upon us. Where does the time go? I thought retirement would help time slow down but it seems to go faster daily. This is depressing let's talk transportation safety.

A lot of things are happening. We are still waiting for re-authorization and hopefully it will be finalized soon. There are high hopes that there will be additional dollars to help in the transportation safety information area. Preliminary discussions indicate that money for some of our carry over projects as well as some new projects could be substantial. Lets hope they are so ATSIP can continue to grow and provide worthwhile products for its members and the traffic safety community.

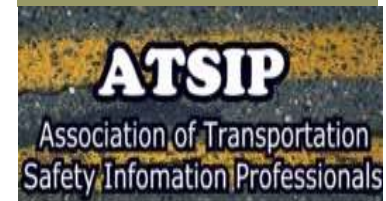


I just spoke to Bob Scopatz about this year's program. Everything seems to be going well. Bob has 35 of the 39 concurrent sessions identified with most of the speakers. He will have ticklers coming out soon to finalize some sessions. If you wanted to present but didn't get your paper in Bob is still looking for a few good topics so please contact him. I think this year's program is going to be a mile high (Denver-mile high-get it).

After my talk with Bob I have several things that I need to get done so I will close for now.

Sincerely,

Larry Holestine



**Membership Snapshot**

Current Members  
March 1, 2003 - 515

Member inducted at  
winter meeting - 56

New applicants since  
February 1, 2003 - 6



**TRCCs Champion Safety Issues**

Submitted by Denise Dunning, Nevada TRCC Chair...

The Nevada Traffic Records Coordinating held a Traffic Safety Summit which resulted in the following article in the Las Vegas Review Journal:

**Traffic Fatalities: Vehicle-related deaths are worst ever for state**

**Pedestrian, motorcycle accidents push rate up 17.2 percent over 2001 total**

**By Sean Whaley**  
REVIEW-JOURNAL CAPITAL BUREAU

**CARSON CITY** - Two dozen law enforcement and traffic specialists spent Monday brainstorming how best to reduce motor vehicle accidents after Nevada saw the worst year ever for highway deaths in 2002.

There were 368 motor vehicle-related deaths in calendar year 2002, an increase of 17.2 percent over 2001 and the most ever reported, according to the state Office of

**Traffic Fatalities (Continued)**

Clark County saw 208 highway deaths last year, up to 10 percent over 2001.

Officials from around the state met to review the data and decide which areas of traffic safety to target this year to try to reduce the number of fatalities.

Chuck Abbott, who heads the state traffic safety office, said the top five areas of concern are driver education, data collection, safety belt use, pedestrian fatalities, and driving under the influence.

About \$2 million in grant money will be distributed this year to the various agencies with these concerns given top consideration, he said.

In Clark County, the number of deaths involving only cars was actually down slightly in 2002 compared to 2001, said Erin Breen, director of the Safe Community Partnership program at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

But deaths involving pedestrians, motorcycles and bicycles were up, leading to the overall fatality increase, she said.

<p><i>“The reality is that more than 80 percent of such fatalities in recent years involve local residents...”</i></p>	<p>The number of pedestrian deaths in Clark County totaled 45 in 2002, up 36.4 percent over the 33 deaths recorded in 2001.</p> <p>Motorcycle deaths were up 57.1 percent to 22 from the 14 reported in 2001. Bicycle fatalities doubled to six.</p> <p>Breen said efforts have been made to improve pedestrian safety, but there is a misconception that tourists are involved in many of the pedestrian deaths. The reality is that more than 80 percent of such fatalities in recent years involve local residents, she said.</p>
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“Clark County residents are killing Clark County residents,” Breen said.

One project under way in Southern Nevada is the installation of “countdown” clocks on traffic lights rather than walk-don’t walk signs, she said. The clocks, which are being installed in several locations show the time available for pedestrians to cross a street, have reduced accidents when installed in other cities, Breen said.

Las Vegas police department Detective Bill Redfair, who put together a statistical report on fatalities in the agency’s jurisdiction in 2002, offered several ideas to reduce crashes and deaths.

One would change Nevada law making the failure to wear a safety belt a “primary” offense, thus allowing law enforcement officers to pull over drivers for failing to buckle up. Current law only allows for enforcement of the seat belt law if a driver is pulled over for some other infraction, such as speeding.

Increasing the percentage of drivers and passengers wearing seat belts would reduce deaths dramatically, Redfair said. In the agency’s jurisdiction last year, there were 42 fatalities where safety belts were not worn, he said. Of those, 13 people were thrown from the vehicle and killed.



Nevada’s rate of safety belt use is 74.5 percent, just below the national average percent of 75 percent.

But Redfair said not every idea has to be punitive. He said one way to encourage seat belt use and safe driving might be to offer a reduction in registration fees for good drivers.

Las Vegas police already use several methods to try to reduce accidents and deaths, including more aggressive enforcement at high-risk locations and frequent sobriety checkpoints.

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1	<a href="http://www.transportation.org/bottomline">AASHTO</a>	Http://www.transportation.org/bottomline
2	<a href="http://www.aapa-ports.org/govrelations/issues/tea21.htm">American Assoc of Port Authorities</a>	http://www.aapa-ports.org/govrelations/issues/tea21.htm
3	<a href="http://www.buses.org/Reauthorization/">American Bus Association</a>	http://www.buses.org/Reauthorization/
4	<a href="http://www.highways.org/binder/major_issues.pdf">American Highway Users Alliance</a>	http://www.highways.org/binder/major_issues.pdf
5	American Public Transportation Assoc	http://www.apta.com/info/online/tea21rec.pdf
6	American Public Works Assoc	http://www.apwa.net/Documents/GovtAffairs/TEA-21_policy.pdf
7	American Road and Transportation Builders Assoc	http://www.artba.org/government/tea-21/tea_21.htm
8	American Society of Civil Engineers	http://www.asce.org/govrel/tea3/
9	American Trucking Associations	http://www.truckline.com/insideata/press/012802_reauthorization.html
10	Arizona DOT	http://www.scag.ca.gov/ipg/session8/pdf/brisk.pdf
11	Assoc of Metroplitan Planning Orgs	http://www.ampo.org/policy/AMPOfinallegispriorities10-16-02.doc
12	California Office of Traffic Safety	http://www.ots.ca.gov/tea21/default.asp
13	Colorado DOT	http://www.dot.state.co.us/Policy/tracking/Reauthorizationfiles/TEA21%20Principles%20Jan%2009.pdf
14	Comments on Reauthorization by US-DOT Administrators	www.dot.gov/affairs/trbspeeches.htm
15	Community Transportation Association	http://www.ctaa.org/ideas/
16	Consolidated Statement: Orgs with Freight Interests	http://www.ampo.org/policy/partners/freight/FREIGHTPRIORITIESREVISED.doc
17	Council of University Transportation Centers	http://cutc.tamu.edu/about/reauthorization_summary.pdf
18	Florida DOT	http://www11.myflorida.com/planning/tea21/default.htm
19	Georgia DOT	http://www.dot.state.ga.us/specialsubjects/tea-21/index.shtml
20	GHSA (NAGHSR)	http://www.statehighwaysafety.org/html/publications/tea-21.html
21	Institute of Transportation Engineers	http://www.ite.org/government/index.asp
22	MADD	http://www.lifesaversconference.org/webfiles/TEA-21Reauthorization.doc
23	Natl Alliance of Public Transp Advocates	http://www.napta.net/events/timeline.htm
24	Natl Assoc of Counties	http://www.naco.org/leg/platform/transtel/03TEA21.cfm
25	Natl Assoc of Development Orgs	http://www.nado.org/policy/tea21.pdf
26	Natl Congress of American Indians	http://www.ncai.org/data/docs/midyear2002/BIS-02-049.pdf
27	Natl Governors' Assoc	Http://www.nga.org/nga/lobbyissues/1.1169.D_1541.00.html