

Upper Midwest Freight Corridor Study

Summary

Research Team Meeting

April 21, 2004 – 10:00am-11:00am Central

Participants

Ernie Wittwer (MRUTC)

Mark Vonderembse (Toledo)

Peter Lindquist (Toledo)

Sue McNeil (UIC)

Suphawut Malaikrisanachalee (UW-Madison)

Lisa Kramer (UIC)

Teresa Adams (UW-Madison)

Jiwan Gupta (Toledo) *late*

Kazuya Kawamura (UIC)

Travis Gordon (MRUTC)

Lane Pille (UW-Madison)

George Zhu (UIC)

Updates

- Wittwer brought up the TRB paper. McNeil agreed that we should have a presence at TRB, whether it be a team effort or individual papers. The group agreed that we should try to have at least one team paper.
 - Adams has been working on having her reporting done in a way to easily develop papers from
- Gupta has been working on the capacity procedures for waterways and airports.
- Gordon continues compiling meeting minutes of March. **Should be completed by next conference call.**

August Meeting

- Wittwer suggested a conversation pit for the format in the two day meeting. The basic idea of this format is to have all participants be seated in a large circle, probably the size of the meeting room. Then, a smaller group of participant (7 or 8) would be at a table in the middle of this circle to discuss an issue. The big trick of this is then to have people from the bigger circle swap places with those in the middle during discussions. It is a way to maximize listening and participating.
- McNeil suggested that we continue to get them onboard with the results and efforts. In addition, show them the products and how we can continue.
- Gupta followed that up with the idea of showing them how our products are useful to the stakeholders
- State people should be kept for half day after the larger meeting, the group agreed

Final Report

- McNeil showed support for the current look of the outline and the level of reporting
- Common formatting for objects is needed
 - **Each object will be drafted by a point person and then finalized by the group before the next conference call.** This object can then be sent to everyone and simply copied into each sub-report as the researchers work on their parts.
 - Tables (Teresa, Travis)
 - Figures (Sue, Travis)
 - Charts & Graphs (Sue, Travis)
 - Numbers (Sue, Travis)

- References (Travis)
- Maps (Peter)
- Integrating charts or maps into the mail report is OK, the group agreed

Adjourn (10:45am Central)

Next conference calls planned for Thursday, May 6, 11-12:30pm Central.