

Upper Midwest Freight Corridor Study

Summary

Steering Committee Meeting
May 13, 2003 – 11-Noon (CDT)

Participants

Bob Gale (MN)

Larry Goode (IN)

Keith Sherman (IL)

Suzann Gad (OH)

Sandy Beaupre (WI)

Rob Tardif (ON)

Amar Chadha (MB)

Ernie Wittwer (MRUTC)

Mark Vonderembse (Toledo)

Steve Call (IL-FHWA)

Stephanie Hickman (WI-FHWA)

Steve Smith (IN)

Susan Moe (MN-FHWA)

Al Stanek (WI)

Travis Gordon (MRUTC)

Sue McNeil (UIC)

Introductions

The Steering Committee welcomed Mr. Chadha, the representative from the Manitoba Ministry of Transportation, and Mr. Tardif, the representative from the Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

Steering Committee Issues

In response to an item raised at the last teleconference (Meyer, 4/8/03), the MRUTC had contacted Manitoba, Ontario and Michigan to invite them to participate on the steering committee. Only Michigan rejected the invitation.

The pooled fund continues to be setup. ODOT and MRUTC representative were also to meet after the teleconference in regard to the contract between the University of Wisconsin-Madison and ODOT.

June 3rd Meeting

The committee approved the basic agenda for the meeting on June 3rd in Toledo.

Remote sites were discussed for Minnesota DOT and in Madison, WI through the FHWA division office. After discussion, Indiana decided to send a representative to the meeting rather than create a remote site.

The committee also ran through individual state travel plans for the meeting.

Reebie Data

McNeil presented the findings from a search of Reebie data in the region. The level of detail and years of data were widespread between the states in the region. The committee decided to revisit this issue in the fall. There also seems to be some confusion regarding the sharing of this data for the study.

Other Business

Gordon noted that contacts from the agricultural industry and the Army Corps of Engineers were still needed for the advisory committee.

Adjourn (Noon, central)

Steering and Advisory Committee Meetings are to be held on June 3, 2003 on the campus of the University of Toledo. The meeting will start at 7:30am Eastern. More info can be found at <http://midwestfreight.utoledo.edu/>.