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# 2019 NJDOT TRB Annual Meeting Recap February 11, 2019

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#### Objectives for today

- 1. Introduction to TRB and the Annual Meeting
- 2. How to Attend / Get Involved with TRB
- 3. Recap (Transfer of Knowledge)
- 4. Questions & Open Discussion



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#### TRB Mission & History

## TRB's mission is to promote innovation and progress in transportation through research.

- Established in 1920.
- **Division of the National Research Council of the US** independent adviser to the POTUS, Congress, and federal agencies on scientific and technical questions of national importance.
- Jointly administered by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- Annually engages more than 7,000 engineers, scientists, and other transportation researchers and practitioners from the public and private sectors and academia, all of whom contribute their expertise in the public interest by participating on TRB committees, panels, and task forces.
- **Funded by state transportation departments**, federal agencies including the U.S. Department of Transportation, and other organizations and individuals interested in the development of transportation.

#### TRB Subcommittees & Benefits of Participating

- Over 200 committees, almost every transportation topic is represented
- Provide you with an opportunity to contribute to advancing the state of the art and the state of the practice in transportation.
- Visit <a href="https://www.TRB.org/AboutTRB/Committees.aspx">www.TRB.org/AboutTRB/Committees.aspx</a> for a list
- Contact the Chair to express interest and share your qualifications
- Become a "friend" of the committee. Membership requires a formal process, however participation in committee activities is not limited to members.
- Participate in committee meetings and conference calls
- Volunteer your time to review papers, work on committee projects, give presentations, etc.
- When a member space opens up, Chair looks at list of "friends"

#### TRB Annual Meeting

Held every January in Washington, D.C. January 12-16, 2020



Registration opens late August (program finalized mid Nov)

One of the largest transportation conferences in the world,

• attracting almost 14,000 transportation professionals, featuring approximately 5,000 presentations in more than 800 conference sessions.

Virtually every aspect of transportation is covered at the conference.

#### Benefits of Attending the TRB Annual Meeting

Benefit to you, NJDOT, and the transportation community at large

- Networking with colleagues and establishing professional relationships
- Broaden knowledge and perspectives
- Receipt of valuable and timely information about current practices
- Gain early awareness of new research findings and emerging technologies
- Assist NJDOT in contributing to the broader transportation community









#### How do I attend the TRB Annual Meeting?

- Registration for NJDOT staff is FREE, but travel expenses are **NOT**.
- Registration opens in late August. To register, set up an account on www.mytrb.org
- Attendees must coordinate with their respective Managers and Directors to express interest in attending, and get permission.
- Travel expenses (transportation, lodging, per diem meals) must be planned for within each unit's own travel budget. **PLAN NOW**
- Stephanie Nock is NJDOT's TRB travel coordinator and manages the travel paperwork for all attendees.
- Emails and notifications about the event will start in late Summer
- Travel Packages are due to Stephanie early-mid October

#### Today's Representatives are from:

- Bureau of Research
- NJDOT Research Library
- Statewide Planning
- Transportation Systems, Operations & Support
- Transportation Mobility
- Environmental Resources
- Civil Rights & Affirmative Action
- Multimodal Services
- Local Aid & Economic Development
- Structural Engineering