The California Department of Transportation is hosting the JOINT summer meeting for the TRB Landscape and Environmental Design Committee (AFB40) and AASHTO Technical Committee on Environmental Design (TCED) in Riverside and San Diego, California, August 8 - 12, 2010.

Invitation

You are invited to attend this joint meeting to learn about current transportation issues related committee activities and see innovative projects in a field setting. Please view the meeting invitation, available here.

Agenda

The final agenda is available here.

Professional Development Credit

The Joint TRB AFB40-AASHTO TCED summer meeting qualifies for 18.5 Professional Development Hours (PDHs) for Engineers and Surveyors.

Many State Departments of Transportation have provisions allowing for the use of federal funds to attend meetings that grant PDHs. You may wish to check with your Department to determine if PDH certification will assist you in gaining approval to attend the meeting in California from August 8-12.

Although 18.5 PDHs have been assigned to the summer meeting, licensees are expected to meet the Continuing Professional Competency requirements of the states in which they have been granted a license. Information regarding requirements of individual State Licensing Boards can be accessed at: [http://www.ncees.org/licensure/licensing_boards/](http://www.ncees.org/licensure/licensing_boards/).

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**Hotels**

The meeting will begin in Riverside California and complete in San Diego California.

**Riverside Accommodations**

Lodging for the Riverside portion of the meeting will be at the historic Mission Inn, located at **3649 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501**. A block of rooms is reserved from Saturday night August 7 through Tuesday, August 10 at a group rate of $84.00 per night, single /double occupancy. Luxury rooms are available for $114.00 - $144.00 per night and Suites for $174.00 - $500.00 per night. All rates do not include taxes.

Reservations can be made by calling the Mission Inn at (951) 784-0300 – ask for the “AASHTO meeting” rate, or by accessing the Mission Inn’s website – use “AASHT060810” in the group code field. (Note: the group code is A A S H T zero six zero eight one zero)

Rooms at the Mission Inn will be held only until July 1, so please make your reservations early.

**San Diego Accommodations**
Lodging for the San Diego portion of the meeting will be at the Doubletree Hotel San Diego Downtown, located at 1646 Front Street, San Diego, California, 92101. A block of rooms is reserved from Tuesday night August 10 through Sunday, August 15 at a group rate of $110.00 per night. All rates do not include taxes.

Reservations can be made by calling the Doubletree Hotel San Diego Downtown at (619) 239-6800 - ask for the “California Department of Transportation meeting” rate, or by accessing the Doubletree Hotel’s website – use “CAL” in the Group/Convention Code field.

Rooms at the Doubletree Hotel San Diego Downtown will only be held until July 1, so please make your reservations early.

Travel

Traveling By Air

If you are traveling to the meeting via air you will be flying to the Ontario International Airport and departing from the San Diego International Airport. Southwest Airlines services both airports and typically provides the best one way fares from many cities, although many airlines service both airports.

The Mission Inn will provide complimentary shuttle service from Ontario Airport to the hotel for meeting participants. When making your room reservations provide your flight schedule and request airport pickup. Refer to the Mission Inn's website for specific directions and additional travel information to the hotel.

The Doubletree Hotel San Diego Downtown will provide complimentary shuttle service to the San Diego Airport from the hotel for meeting participants. Shuttle reservations can be made while at the hotel.

Traveling By Car

The Mission Inn is easily accessible from Interstate 10 and is approximately 20 miles east of Ontario, and 55 miles east of Los Angeles.

The Doubletree Hotel San Diego Downtown is easily accessible from Interstate 5.

Weather and Attire
Attire for the meeting is business casual, please no ties! We will be on the highway right of way during portions of the field trip. Please plan to bring lightweight long pants, sturdy shoes and sunglasses.

Riverside Weather

San Diego Weather

Registration

The registration fee is $325.00 ($345.00 after July 30) for committee members and friends. Registration includes continental breakfast, lunch and dinner on Monday August 9, Tuesday August 10, and Wednesday August 11, breakfast on Thursday August 12 and transportation for the field trip.

The registration fee for spouses/guests is based on attendance at group meals and participation in the field trip/transportation to San Diego from Riverside.

Please complete the appropriate registration form and return it to Keith Robinson at Caltrans. Registration form submittal is preferred by July 2, 2010.

Welcome Reception

Sunday's no-host Welcome Reception will be at the Presidents Lounge within the Mission Inn. This reception provides an opportunity for all to network before the meeting begins on Monday morning.

Field Trip

A day long field trip is scheduled for Wednesday and will be packed full of interesting presentations and informative site visits. Stops will highlight transportation issues of interest to both committees. Please plan to bring clothing and footwear appropriate for walking in and around the highway right of way.

Spouse and Guest Activities

The Riverside Mission Inn can assist with arrangements for many activities that will be of interest to spouses and guests, including history tours, and spa treatments.
Mission Inn - Things to Do

Mission Inn Museum

Kelly's Spa at the Mission Inn

Riverside Visitor Center

The San Diego Area offers many activities for spouses and guests, many of them are free.

San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau

Where Magazine San Diego

The Official California State Tourism Website

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