

2020 ACEC-IA/ IOWA DOT/ FHWA TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

Call for Conference Topics and Presentations

2020 Transportation Conference

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Prairie Meadows Racetrack Casino Hotel- Altoona, IA

Submission Deadline – March 23, 2020

If you have been involved in an innovative project, developed new methods, successfully completed a complex project or conducted research that addresses challenges in transportation, we are asking you to share your experiences.

General guidelines:

1. Abstracts are due electronically by March 23, 2020. **No late submittals.**
2. Topics should be identified as:
 - A 20-minute session, a 40-minute session or one-hour.
 - The presentation may either be in a “lecture” format or a panel.
 - One-hour presentations will be limited at the discretion of the planning committee. Depending on the schedule, presenters may be asked to adjust their time format. However, this will be done at the planning stage and presenters will be given the option to adjust accordingly.
3. The conference planning committee (comprised of representatives from Iowa DOT, ACEC and FHWA) will review and select the presentations.
4. Abstract submissions:
 - include a title and description (consider including information about the project approach, findings or results, potential applications or policy implications), a description of why your topic will be of interest to a wide range of transportation professionals.
 - Include presenters name and titles
 - You may submit more than one abstract, but each abstract must be presented separately.
 - Limit your abstract descriptions to 500 words or less.
5. Presentations should fit in one of the following categories:
 - Engaging the customer
 - Diversity, inclusion, equity and generations in the workforce

- Connected/automated vehicles and intelligent transportation systems
- Traffic operations
- Funding
- Accessibility
- Contracting
- Modal issues (bikes, peds, aviation, rail, etc.)
- City/County issues
- Transportation and the economy
- Maintenance issues
- Pavement and geothermal topics
- Bridges and structures
- Drainage, stormwater management, hydrology & hydraulics
- Design (innovation, interchanges, roundabouts, DDIs. etc.)
- Technology
- Project management, scheduling and delivery
- Right-of-way
- Construction and materials
- Environmental clearance

If your suggested presentation does not fit in one of the above categories, please provide additional information as to why this topic should be considered.

Topics must be submitted electronically at www.cec-iowa.org **no later than March 23, 2020.**

The schedule of the day will be determined after the abstracts are received and the topics selected by the planning committee, but tentatively we expect the format of the day to be similar to the following

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	General session
9:40 a.m.- 10:40	Concurrent breakout session(s) 1 &2
10:40 – 11:00	Break
11:00-Noon	Concurrent breakout session(s) 3 & 4
NOON-1:00	Lunch (May include a luncheon speaker)
1:15-2:15	Concurrent Breakout session(s) 5 & 6
2:15-2:40	Break
2:40-3:40	Concurrent session(s) 7 & 8
3:45- 4:45	General session (or another block of concurrent breakout sessions)

NOTE: 20 and 40-minute presentations may be paired to fill a one-hour time block. Some presentations may be asked to repeat.

**We look forward to your submissions and hope that you will be able to attend the 2020 ACEC-IA/
Iowa DOT/ FHWA Transportation Conference on Wednesday, September 9, 2020.**