



## Members and Friends of Task Force 13:

Our Fall meeting will be in Rapid City, South Dakota on September 12 and 13. It will be held in conjunction with the AASHTO Technical Committee on Roadside Safety at the Hotel Alex Johnson.

The following pages include the Letter of Invitation that summarizes the meeting logistics, the draft agenda, and the registration form. Faxing that completed registration form to John Durkos promptly will save you another \$35.

Please note that the \$99 room rate will only be available if booked by July 25, just over one week away. If you are uncertain about your attendance, consider booking the room now – you can cancel later (with 48-hours notice) if necessary.

Here is the link to the hotel: <http://www.alexjohnson.com/index.html> If you check the hotel's web site you can see the average room rate for the week starts at about \$245 per night. I recommend you call **1-800-888-ALEX (2539)** and ask for the \$99 AASHTO rate ASAP.

My letter implies that the Cleveland meeting minutes are posted on line. That is a bit of a lie as I haven't finalized them yet. I will see that the notice of the Rapid City meeting and the Cleveland minutes are posted soon.

Please plan to stay through Tuesday afternoon for our joint discussions with the AASHTO Technical Committee on Roadside Safety. These are the people who write

the Roadside Design Guide, and decide which research proposals on roadside safety topics go forward to the AASHTO Standing Committee on Research (SCOR). SCOR is the body that votes on what proposals get funded under NCHRP.

If you are a State DOT employee and your management needs a little encouragement to let you go to South Dakota in September, please let me know and we will send a letter explaining how important your attendance is to our success.

Regards,  
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July 14, 2011

To Members of Task Force 13 and friends,

Our thanks go to the Ohio DOT staff for their assistance with our May meeting in Cleveland that was held in conjunction with the TRB Roadside Safety Committee, AFB20. In September we will meet with the AASHTO Technical Committee on Roadside Safety in Rapid City, South Dakota.

The minutes of all TF-13 meetings of the 21st Century are now posted for your review at <http://www.aashtotf13.org>. This is an indication of the great progress we have made with our website. Please visit your Task Force's web site, review the draft minutes of the Cleveland meeting, and contact me as soon as possible with any additions or changes. Please note that anyone wishing to make a **Technical Presentation** in September must inform me ([nick.artimovich@dot.gov](mailto:nick.artimovich@dot.gov)) by September 1. Technical presentations should be limited to relevant research on roadside design and hardware

The meeting details are as follows:

### TF-13 FALL MEETING with TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON ROADSIDE SAFETY

**Location/Dates:** Rapid City, South Dakota, September 12 and 13, 2011

**Registration:** \$335 for two days, Monday and Tuesday. Includes breakfasts, and breaks each day, lunch and dinner on Monday, and lunch on Tuesday. TCRS members can pro-rate the registration fee for the day(s) they will participate in Task Force activities.

Guests are welcome to join us for dinner Monday evening for \$40 per person. The first 65 registrations received by August 12 qualify for a \$35 discount.

**Hotel:** Alex Johnson, 523 Sixth Street, Rapid City, SD 57701 (1-800-888-ALEX (2539))  
Room rate is \$99 until July 25. (Plus about \$15. in tax and fees).  
Rooms are reserved under "AASHTO" <http://www.alexjohnson.com/index.html>

If you have further questions, comments, or suggestions, please call Co-Chair John Durkos (330-346-0721) or Gregg Fredrick (307-777-4484). You are also most welcome to email me at the address noted above. We are all looking forward to another productive and informative meeting.

Sincerely,  
*Nick Artimovich*  
Nicholas Artimovich, FHWA Office of Safety  
Secretary, Task Force 13



DRAFT AGENDA
AASHTO/AGC/ARTBA Task Force 13 Meeting
September 12 and 13, 2011 – Rapid City, South Dakota

Monday, September 12, 2011

- 7:00 a.m. Task Force 13 Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Introductions and Approval of Minutes from Spring 2011 Meeting
8:15 a.m. Recap of Cleveland Subcommittee Meetings
9:00 a.m. Subcommittees - Breakout Session A - Discuss Goals, Tasks & Assignments
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Subcommittees - Breakout Session B
11:45 Lunch for all registered delegates -
1:00 p.m. Subcommittees - Breakout Session C
2:15 p.m. Subcommittees - Breakout Session D
3:30 p.m. Break





- 10:15 a.m.     **Technical Presentations** – These presentations should be limited to relevant research on roadside design and hardware.
- 10:15           Karla Lechtenberg, MWRSF/UNL
- 10:30           William Williams, Recent testing at Texas Transportation Institute
- 10:45
- 11:00
- 11:15
- 11:30
- 11:45
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- 12:00 Noon    **Lunch**
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- 1:00 p.m.     Joint Discussion Forum with AASHTO Technical Committee on Roadside Safety  
Potential Topics:  
                  Supplemental Test criteria for Cable Barrier Systems to MASH  
                  Update of AASHTO Roadside Design Guide  
                  Implementation of MASH
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- ???            Adjourn



**AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
Subcommittee on New Highway Materials  
**TASK FORCE 13**  
Standardization of Details for Bridge & Road Hardware

Meeting: Monday and Tuesday, September 12 and 13, Rapid City, South Dakota

**Registration Form**

Members should check here [ ] if this includes changed or new information.  
If you are new to the Task Force please check here [ ].  
Please check here [ ] if you want a Certificate of Professional Development Hours

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname for Badge \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First and Middle Initial

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Country if international \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will bring a spouse/guest (add \$40 per guest for dinner on Monday evening.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Please check if you have special dietary needs or allergies, and explain here: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee of US \$300.00 per TF-13 attendee should accompany this form IF POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 12. **A \$35 PENALTY APPLIES IF YOU REGISTER AFTER AUGUST 12, FOR A TOAL FEE OF \$335.** Please add \$40 for each guest accompanying you to Monday's dinner. Faxing this form to John Durkos 330-346-0722 by 8/12/2011 secures the \$300 rate and you can pay at the door.

Full registration for both days, plus dinner on Monday evening.

Make checks payable to "Task Force 13 Meeting Fund"

Please forward check and registration form to:

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## TASK FORCE 13 WEBSITE

**The Task Force 13** has recently extended a prior 2-year contract with the Texas Transportation Institute to develop and host an interactive web site for the submittal, approval and publication of barrier hardware drawings for a new on-line version of the '**Guide to Standardized Highway Barrier Hardware**' (i.e., on-line Guide <http://www.aashtotf13.org/Barrier-Hardware.php>). This new on-line Guide is the revised version of the current hard-copy Guide published in 1995 and is fully referenced in the upcoming version of AASHTO Roadside Design Guide.

This dynamic web site offers possibilities above and beyond simply presenting data, as follows. All hardware drawings posted to the on-line guide are developed by the manufacturer using the format guidance posted on the TF13 website. A drawing designator assigned to each drawing is either provided within the Federal Acceptance Letter, or can be obtained via TF13 by request. A completed drawing is submitted electronically to TF13 and is posted and reviewed on-line using TF13 website and the free version of **Adobe Reader software (Version X -Adobe ReaderX** <http://get.adobe.com/reader/?promoid=BUIGO> is required).

Before participating in an on-line drawing review, users must first register on TF13 website & the adobe server. Please access the TF13 website to get started. The user can maintain their own data on the website.

Tutorial procedure for on-line drawing review is available. Please contact TF13 for more details.

All on-line comments are reviewed at one of two yearly meetings under a general session. After thorough on-line drawing review, the drawing receives votes by TF13 Committee for posting onto the on-line Guide.

The on-line Guide will be continually updated with new/revised drawings each year and will serve the highway designer with the most up-to-date successfully crash tested as per NCHRP Report 350 and AASHTO MASH roadside safety systems and components.