



NJ Complete Streets Summit

Friday, October 22, 2010

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Rutgers Student Center

126 College Ave, Rutgers University, New Brunswick



AGENDA

8:00 – 9:00 Registration and Coffee

9:00 – 9:30 Opening Remarks

- Opening Remarks will be offered by **Assemblywoman Grace Spencer, Robert Miller**, NJDOT Assistant Commissioner Planning and Development, and **Sheree Davis**, NJDOT Bicycle & Pedestrian Program Manager.

9:30 – 10:30 Keynote Address

- **Michael Ronkin**, an internationally-recognized consultant and speaker on innovative, practical street design, will define Complete Streets and why it is important; presenting Complete Streets within the context of our evolving understanding of the importance of the street as a place for transportation, commerce, social and civic life, and active living.

10:30 – 10:45 Break

10:45 – 12:15 Morning Sessions

A. Policy (Main Room)

- This session will provide participants with the opportunity to learn about the development and implementation of complete streets policies at the state and local level. **Speakers: Nora Shepard, Monmouth County Planning; Kyle Wiswall, General Counsel, Tri-State Transportation Campaign; Debra Kingsland, NJDOT; Sheree Davis, NJDOT and Jerry Fried, Mayor, Montclair, NJ.**

B. Cost, Funding and Maintenance (Room 411)

- This session will provide participants with an opportunity to discuss the fiscal impact of complete streets as well as the costs associated with maintaining the status quo. **Speakers: Lois Goldman, NJTPA; Ian Sacs, Hoboken, NJ; and Janet Heroux, State Partnership for Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Prevention. Moderated by Michael Ronkin.**

12:15 – 12:30 Break (Reassemble in Main Room)



12:30 – 1:30 Lunch and “Liability 101”: Dorothy Kowal & Tracey Hinson

- Opening remarks will be offered by **Susan Zellman**, Freeholder, Sussex County.
- **Dorothy Kowal and Tracey Hinson**, attorneys with knowledge of New Jersey transportation and land use law, will present an overview of liability, local government responsibility and legal protections from liability as expressed in the law and in case law.

1:30 – 1:45 Break

1:45 – 3:15 Afternoon Sessions

C. Design/Safety (Main Room)

- This session will present alternative street design features available when creating a complete street. This presentation will be grounded in current design manuals and regulations, focusing on the safety benefits of alternative designs.

Speakers: Michael Ronkin; Dana Hecht, NJDOT; Keith Skilton, FHWA; and Jim Rutala, Ocean City, NJ. Moderated by Elise Bremer-Nei, NJDOT.

D. Liability (Room 411)

- This session will expand on the lunchtime “Liability 101” presentation to help participants interpret the liability risks of implementing complete streets. The format for this session will be a roundtable Q and A where participants can present hypothetical situations and questions to the panelists and each other.

Speakers: Dorothy Kowal, Attorney, Price, Meese, Shulman & D'Arminio and Tracey Hinson, Attorney, Szaferman, Lakind, Blumstein, & Blader, P.C. Moderated by Ranjit Walia, Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center.

3:15 – 3:30 Break (Reassemble in Main Room)

3:30 – 4:30 Concluding Remarks

- **Michael Ronkin** will end the Summit by providing an overview of the day’s events and facilitating a discussion about the next steps for Complete Streets in New Jersey.

