

# **AASHTO Task Force on Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS)**



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**2005 Subcommittee on Design**

**Annual Meeting**

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## Background

- ❑ Thinking Beyond the Pavement in 1998
- ❑ 39 states and District of Columbia
- ❑ Developed qualities of projects and characteristics of a process that represented the application of Context Sensitive Solutions
- ❑ Led to outreach and training
- ❑ Identification of the 5 Pilot states

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## Task Force on CSS

California, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Utah, Washington





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## Task Force Efforts 2001-2004

- Accomplished –
  - May 2004 – 4 Chapters were adopted
    - NCHRP 20-7(114)
  - October 2004 – Performance Measures published
    - NCHRP 20-24(30)

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## Current Task Force Focus

- Reached agreement with FHWA on June 15, 2005 on the following:
  - National Survey (AASHTO only)
  - National Conference
  - Peer-to-Peer Training
  - U.S. Domestic Scan



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## AASHTO National Survey

- ❑ AASHTO Survey to State DOT CEOs
- ❑ Important to return Survey to AASHTO
- ❑ Assess the needs of the states
- ❑ Will help to guide the development of National Conference and Peer-to-Peer Exchange

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## AASHTO National Conference

- ❑ Spring 2006 is the target
- ❑ State-led event
- ❑ Designed for implementers
- ❑ Definition, principles, progress, and what's next
- ❑ Find out what states need –
  - An opportunity to guide new developments

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## Peer-to-Peer Training

### □ Stage 1

#### “Field Trip”

- Team from a “Beginner” state visits an “Advanced” state

### □ Stage 2

#### “Expert Brainstorm and Assessment”

- Symposiums on specific CSS topics



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## Domestic Scan

- ❑ NCHRP Project 20-68 has been formed to develop a Business plan for a U.S. Domestic Scan Program
- ❑ Domestic Scan Program will be modeled after the successful International Scan Program
- ❑ An application for a pilot Domestic Scan on CSS is being developed

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## Home for CSS

- ❑ Philosophy crosses all disciplines and needs broad representation from many committees
- ❑ Task Force will propose a resolution at 2005 Annual Meeting in Nashville, TN regarding the future of CSS within the AASHTO Committee structure

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## Information on National CSS Efforts

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