

CSS NATIONAL DIALOG



Join Us for a CSS Workshop!

The first in the series of Context Sensitive Solutions National Dialog Workshops is now open for registration!

The workshop will include an up-to-date overview of Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) plus presentations on exemplary CSS projects, plans and programs from the surrounding region. The case studies were drawn from over 90 submissions from across the country, and were selected as examples of effective application of CSS principles to transportation projects, plans and programs.

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

**Location: Texas Department of
Transportation Greer Building
Ric Williamson Hearing Room**

125 East 11th Street

Austin, TX

The one-day workshop will provide transportation agency employees and managers, government decision makers, community groups and future transportation professionals the opportunity to learn more about CSS and how it can improve transportation processes and outcomes. Workshop participants will draw from the case studies to identify and understand effective strategies tailored to the regional context, and

will have ample opportunity to network with fellow attendees.

The National Dialog workshops are organized by the [Federal Highway Administration](#) and supported by the [Center for Transportation and the Environment](#), a university-based transportation center housed at North Carolina State University. The October workshop is co-hosted by the [University Transportation Center for Mobility](#) at the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI), housed at Texas A&M in College Station and TxDOT.

Join us in this important conversation!

Workshop Agenda and Registration

Preliminary Agenda:

Sign in: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Morning Session A: 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Welcome, CSS Overview and Current Updates

Case Study #1 Presentation

Break

Morning Session B: 10:45 AM to 12:00 PM

Case Study #2 Presentation

Case Study #3 Presentation

Lunch (on your own): 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Afternoon Session C: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Case Study #4 Presentation

Interactive discussion and work

Break

Afternoon Session D: 3:15 PM to 4:30 PM

Interactive discussion and work

Wrap up

**Space is limited and advance registration is required.
Registration closes Tuesday, October 13.**

There is no cost to attend.

To register and for additional workshop details, visit:

<http://cssnationaldialog.org/schedule.asp>

About the CSS National Dialog

FHWA and CTE are sponsoring the CSS National Dialog, a broad-based 'conversation' on CSS. The Dialog is supported by a [Steering Committee](#) with a broad range of expertise in transportation and related policy and projects.

The goals of the Dialog are to:

- Deliver CSS principles and practices to a wide array of partner organizations
- Strengthen and broaden the constituency for CSS
- Discover new opportunities for partnerships
- Bring new perspectives to the practice of planning, designing, building, operating and maintaining transportation facilities
- Foster a community of CSS practice

The Dialog will be spearheaded by a series of five, one-day workshops to be held in various locations across the country. Each workshop will feature exemplary transportation projects, plans or programs to highlight CSS best practices and provide a springboard for discussion and interaction.

For more information on the National Dialog visit:

www.cssnationaldialog.org or email: cssnationaldialog@ncsu.edu

What is CSS?

CSS is an approach to the process and outcomes of transportation decision making. Key aspects of CSS include:

- Addressing a purpose and need that is agreed to by a full range of stakeholders
- Open, honest, early and continuous communication with stakeholders and meaningful opportunities for stakeholders to shape outcomes
- A flexible approach to design that preserves and enhances

natural and community resources

Learn more at www.contextsensitivesolutions.org

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