



18th February 2019

To Members of Task Force 13 and friends,

We had a great FALL 2018 Task Force 13 meeting in Lakewood, CO last September, trust you were able to attend or at least read the meeting minutes. Thanks to all the members of the Roadside Safety Pooled Fund group who were able to join us.

Continuing our Task Force 13 efforts again in Lincoln, NE, we do have one notable change to our typical format.

- Wednesday April 17th, 2019 at 1pm, buses will leave for the full scale crash testing event (weather permitting), hosted by MwRSF at their facility at the Lincoln airport. Buses will return to the Embassy Suites at approximately 2:45pm, when the Pooled Fund (invitation only) meeting will continue.
- We will begin our JOINT MEETING with the MwRSF Pooled Fund Group on **Wednesday, April 17th, 2019 at 7pm and conclude ~9:30pm.**

The Pooled Fund has indicated they value the joint meeting; however, with all that is taking place in the industry with MASH implementation and testing, they need the additional time on Wednesday afternoon for their meeting to conclude.

The Task Force 13 meeting will continue on Thursday April 18th and into Friday April 19th. We trust that a great number of the members of the *Midwest Pooled Fund Program* associated with the *Midwest Roadside Safety Facility* and other state DOT officials will be able to join us. There will be a Task Force 13 dinner on Thursday evening and the meeting will end by noon on Friday, April 19th, 2019.

We are seeking topics for discussion between State DOTs and industry for the joint meeting as well as seeking volunteers that want to present on topics of interest. A three or four sentence abstract must be submitted in advance for any presentations that you want to make to the joint forum. Please send any requests to Dr. Ron Faller rfaller1@unl.edu and copy me. Upon approval, I will add it to the joint meeting agenda.

*Anyone wishing to make a 15 minute **Technical Presentation** during the Task Force 13 meeting on Friday must request to be placed on the agenda, in advance. Presentations must be limited to relevant roadside design research and hardware. Please send request to greg.neece@trin.net.*

TF-13 Spring Meeting with Midwest Pooled Fund members

Location/Dates: Lincoln, NE. 1pm-Wednesday, April 17th thru noon-Friday, April 19th, 2019
Embassy Suites Lincoln
1040 P Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68508 402-474-1111

The special \$124 room rate per night (plus tax, if applicable) is available until March 25th, 2019, or until sold out. Parking is \$11.25 per day. If calling, be sure to reference **Group Name:** "Task Force 13" **Group Code:** "TAS"

Hotel Registration can also be made by accessing the hotel web page:
<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/L/LNKESES-TAS-20190416/index.jhtml>

Registration: **Standard rate of \$345 for Wednesday evening through Friday noon.** This includes lunch and dinner on Thursday, and breaks each day. Guests of the Embassy Suites get a hot made-to-order breakfast in the hotel. Spouses/guests may join us for dinner Thursday evening for \$40 per person.

The actual meeting registration rate is determined by the date that the registration form is faxed or emailed to John Durkos.



If you have further questions, comments, or suggestions, please call Task Force 13 President, John Durkos.

Those of you who are not able to attend the Task Force 13 - Spring 2019 (Lincoln, NE) meeting in person have the opportunity for remote participation for some portions of the meeting:

- Wednesday Joint Session, beginning at 7 pm Central Time on Wednesday April 17th, 2019.
- Subcommittee #7 Certification of Test Facilities, beginning at 1:15 pm Central Time on Thursday April 18th, 2019.
- Review of recent research and technical presentations, beginning at 9:15 am Central Time on Friday April 19th, 2019.

A [weblink](#) will be provided to join the meeting(s), for the sessions listed above, at the appropriate time, at a later date.

**Travel and Lodging Options
April 17th - April 19th, 2019**

Suggested Hotel : Embassy Suites Lincoln

Shuttle service is available from the Lincoln airport – contact hotel for information.

Alternative lodging:

- The Graduate Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn Downtown) – 141 N. 9th Street (402-475-4011)
- Courtyard Marriott Downtown – 808 R Street (402-904-4800)
- Hyatt Place Downtown – 600 Q Street (402-742-6007)
- Hilton Garden Inn Downtown – 801 R Street (402-475-9000)
- Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker – 333 South 13th Street (402-474-7474)

Transportation Options

LINCOLN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (LNK) - <http://www.lincolnairport.com>

(Printable maps of the airport can be found on the website listed above.)

Lincoln Municipal Airport is the primary air transportation facility serving the city of Lincoln. The airport is located at 2400 West Adams, right off exit #399 on Interstate 80. Both the Embassy Suites and the Holiday Inn provide a free hotel shuttle from the Lincoln airport.

OMAHA EPPLEY AIRFIELD (OMA) - <http://www.flyoma.com>

(Printable maps of the airport can be found on the website listed above.)

Omaha Eppley Airport is the primary air transportation facility serving the city of Omaha. The Eppley airport is located at 4501 Abbott Drive. Omaha is located about 62.7 miles (1 hour 11 min.) northeast of Lincoln.

NAVIGATOR AIRPORT EXPRESS - <http://www.navigatorairportexpress.com>

The Navigator Airport Express (formerly Eppley Express) will also be available to transport you from Omaha to Lincoln and Lincoln to Omaha. You must make your own reservations at least 48 hours in advance. To make your reservations please call the Navigator Airport Express at 1-800-888-9793.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Neece

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Secretary, Task Force 13

Enclosures: Draft Agenda, Registration Form, and Fall 2018 Meeting Minutes.



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Wednesday, April 17th, 2019
Venue – Primarily at Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE

- 1:00 pm** Board bus at Embassy Suites Hotel or take personal vehicle to travel to MwRSF's Outdoor Testing Facility for crash test 4630 N.W. 36th Street Lincoln, NE 68524
- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm** Planned Crash Test @ MwRSF Outdoor Testing Facility.
- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm** Board bus or take personal vehicle from Test Site and return to Embassy Suites.

Task Force 13 and Midwest States Pooled Fund Program
Joint Meeting & Discussion at Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE
April 17th, 2019 – 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm
Moderator – Ron Faller, MwRSF

- 6:45 pm – 7:00 pm** Arrival w/ Refreshments & Snacks @ Downtown Embassy Suites Hotel
- 7:00 pm – 7:15 pm** Welcome & Introductions (sign-in sheet)
- 7:15 pm – 7:30 pm** Presentation & discussion time open (15m)
- 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm** Presentation & discussion time open (30m)
- 8:00 pm – 8:30 pm** Presentation & discussion time open (30m)
- 8:30 pm – 9:00 pm** Presentation & discussion time open (30m)
- 9:00 pm – 9:30 pm** Presentation & discussion time open (30m)

Note: If shorter presentation time is requested or if a significant number of requests for presentation times are received and approved, the presentation lengths can/will be altered accordingly.



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Thursday, April 18th, 2019
Venue - Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE

- 6:00 a.m. Breakfast at the hotel for guests staying at the Embassy Suites
- 7:30 a.m. Task Force 13 Registration at Embassy Suites Hotel
- 8:00 a.m. **Begin Task Force 13 Meeting - Introductions** Durkos
- 8:15 a.m. Recap of Lakewood, CO Subcommittee Meetings Neece
- 8:30 a.m. Approval of Minutes from Fall 2018 (Lakewood, CO) Meeting Durkos
- 8:35 a.m. Contract for Website Services
 - Subcommittee #1 Publications Maintenance Lohrey

Subcommittee Meetings - Discuss Goals, Tasks & Assignments

- 9:45 a.m. Subcommittee - **Breakout Session A**
 - #2 - Barrier Hardware Review Groups
 - Guardrails/Median Barriers Smith
 - Crash Cushions Lechtenberg
 - End Treatments/Terminals TBD
- 10:45 a.m. **BREAK** Sheppard
- 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee - **Breakout Session B**
 - #3 - Bridge Railing & Transition Hardware Brauner
 - #11 – Delineation Gentry/Schulz
- 12:15 a.m. **LUNCH – Provided in cost of registration**
- 1:15 p.m. Subcommittee - **Breakout Session C**
 - #6 - Work Zone Hardware Shewmaker/Perry
 - #7 - Certification of Test Facilities Lechtenberg/Bullard
- 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee - **Breakout Session D**
 - #5 - Sign, Luminaire & Traffic Signal Support Hardware Lohrey/Jollo
- 3:45 p.m. **BREAK**
- 4:00 p.m. Recap of Subcommittee activities
- 4:15 p.m. Update from the *Midwest Pooled Fund Program Meeting* Faller/Bielenberg
- 5:00 p.m. Task Force 13 Executive Meeting (All Subcommittee Co-Chairs requested to attend)

Task Force 13 Dinner (Cost included in Registration) – Location TBD:

- ~6:15 p.m. Appetizers and cash bar
- ~6:45 p.m. Dinner (location to be determined)



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Friday, April 19th
Venue – Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE

- **6:00 a.m.** Breakfast at the hotel for guests staying at the Embassy Suites
 - **8:00 a.m. Begin Task Force Meeting – Day 2**
 - **8:00 a.m. Affiliated Committee/Activity Reports**
 - AASHTO Subcommittee on Bridges and Structures TBA
 - AASHTO & TF-13 - Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) Durkos
 - American Traffic Safety Services Association (“ATSSA”) Perry
 - National Association of County Engineers nace@naco.org
 - TRB Committee AFB20 Roadside Safety Bligh
 - AASHTO Technical Committee on Roadside Safety TBA
 - **8:45 a.m. Reports from Special Subcommittee Co-Chairs**
 - #9 - Marketing Mauer/Perry
 - New Standardization Areas Discussion
- Update of ongoing research projects related to Roadside Safety and/or Safety Hardware**
The remainder of the meeting will be broadcast.
- **9:15 a.m.** NCHRP Bush
 - **9:45 a.m.** Texas A&M Transportation Institute Bligh
 - **10:15 a.m. BREAK**
 - **10:30 a.m.** Midwest Roadside Safety Facility Lechtenberg
 - **11:00 a.m.** FHWA/George Mason University Marzougui
 - **11:30 a.m.** New/Old Business Durkos
 - New Standardization Areas
 - Location of 2019 Fall Task Force 13 Meeting with Roadside Safety Pooled Fund.
 - Location of Various 2019 Industry Meetings.
 - Executive Committee Summary.
 - Review of Task Force 13 “To Do List”, generated from meeting.
 - **12:00 noon** Scheduled Adjournment



Wednesday, Thursday and Friday o April 17th – 19th 2019 o Lincoln, NE

Meeting Registration Form

Members should check here [] if this includes changed or new information.

If you are **new** to the Task Force 13 please check here [].

Please check here [] if you want a Certificate of Professional Development Hours.

Please check here [] if you will need a ride to MwRSF Test Facility Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Name _____ Nickname for Badge _____
Last First 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 Thursday evening).

_____ Please check if you have special dietary needs or allergies and explain here:

Registration Fee per Task Force 13 attendee to accompany this form.

- If registering prior to March 25th, please enjoy a \$25 discount and pay only \$320!
- If registering between March 26th and April 3rd, registration is \$345.
- If registering between April 4th and April 12th, registration is \$395.
- If registering on or after April 13th, registration is \$445.
- Please add \$40 for each guest accompanying you to Thursday’s dinner.
- Fax this form to John at 330-346-0722 or emailing John at jdurkos@roadsystems.com
- *The date that this form is faxed or emailed to John determines and locks in your registration rate. After registering, you can send your check prior to the meeting, or you can pay in full at the door on April 17th, 2019.*

Full registration includes lunch and dinner on Thursday and breaks each day. **Please make checks payable to “Task Force 13 Meeting Fund”** and forward with registration form to:

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