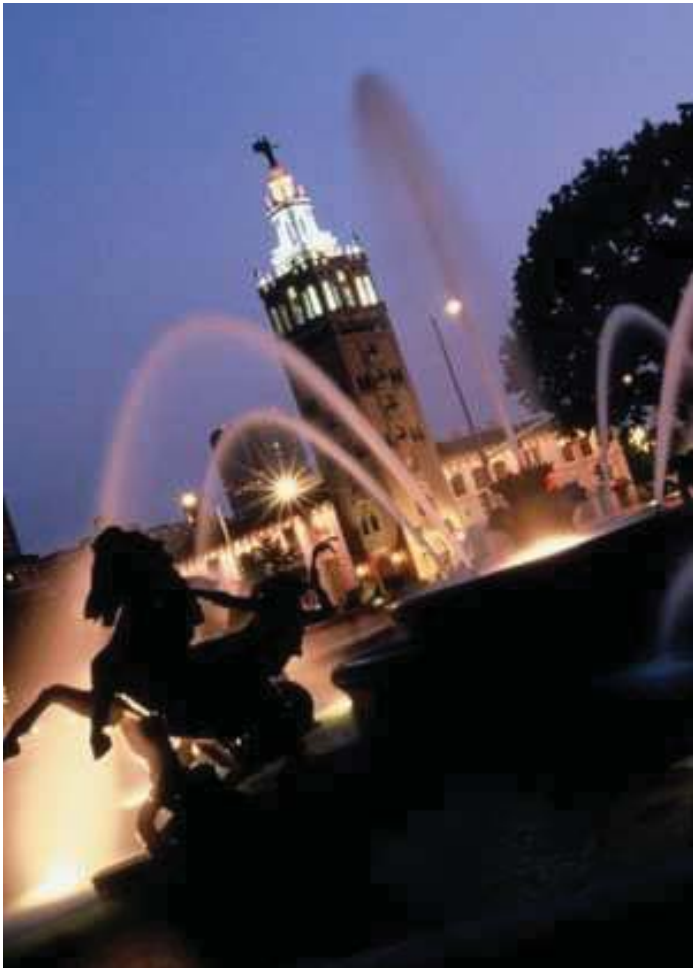


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Annual Meeting and Conference



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April 14 Plaza A, B, C				
12:00p	5:00	Registration Available <i>Outside Plaza C</i>		
12:00p	1:00	Lunch & Welcome Teresa Adams, Director, National Center for Freight & Infrastructure Research & Education (CFIRE) <i>Plaza C</i>		
1:00	2:30	Workshops 1		Demonstrations 1
		FreightView I An overview of the resources of FreightView and discussion of future potential. Peter Lindquist, U. of Toledo <i>Plaza A</i>	I-95 Freight Academy This session will review the I-95 Freight Academy and examine if a similar experience would benefit the MVFC. Marygrace Parker, I-95 Coalition <i>Plaza C</i>	MVFC Clearinghouse The researchers will present a prototype of the MVFC information clearinghouse. Ravi Pavuluri, U. of Wisconsin <i>Plaza B</i>
2:30	3:00	Break		
3:00	4:30	Workshops 2		Demonstrations 2
		FreightView II In this session, the tool will be dealt with in more depth. How can FreightView this be better accessed, formatted, and used? Peter Lindquist, U. of Toledo <i>Plaza A</i>	Multistate Performance Management This session will collect input on freight performance indicators for the MVFC project. Ernie Wittwer, MVFC <i>Plaza C</i>	MVFC Truck Parking and Freight Bottlenecks The researchers will review findings of these two related projects. Praveen Srivastava, U. of Wisc. Andrew Obernesser, U. of Wisc. <i>Plaza B</i>
6:00	9:00	States Dinner & Discussion. <i>By invitation.</i> <i>Plaza B</i>		

April 15 Plaza C				
7:30a	8:30	Breakfast & Registration <i>Outside Plaza C</i>		
8:30	8:45	Welcome Teresa Adams, Director, National Center for Freight & Infrastructure Research & Education (CFIRE) Ernie Wittwer, Facilitator, Mississippi Valley Freight Coalition		
8:45	9:30	Host State Comments Ernie Perry, Freight Development Administrator, Missouri Department of Transportation John Maddox, Freight & Rail Unit, Kansas Department of Transportation		
9:30	10:15	Keynote Speaker Secretary Deb Miller, Kansas Department of Transportation		
10:15	10:30	Break <i>Outside Plaza C</i>		

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10:30	12:00	Moving Freight in the Midwest Region and Beyond Shellee Currier, WATCO Companies Mac McMichael, Alliance Shippers Skip Kalb, Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway
12:00p	1:30	Lunch with Keynote Speaker Paul Nowicki, Assistant Vice President, Government & Public Policy, BNSF Railway
1:30	3:00	Waterways: A Freight Resource for the Midwest Paul Rohde, Waterways Council, Inc. Lynn Muench, American Waterways Operators Bob Goodwin, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation
3:00	5:30	Tour Hunt Midwest's Subtropolis, the <i>World's Largest Underground Business Complex</i> Bus Transportation Provided
6:00	7:30	Reception This reception will feature poster presentations of ongoing Coalition activities and provide opportunities for dialogue between researchers, public officials, and freight stakeholders.

April 16*Plaza C*

7:30a	8:00	Breakfast & Registration
8:00	9:00	Federal Authorization Update Leo Penne, American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials
9:00	9:30	Cross Town Improvement Project (C-TIP) Ron Achelpohl, Mid-America Regional Council
9:30	10:00	Break
10:00	10:30	Coalition for Transportation Productivity John Runyan, International Paper
10:30	12:00p	State Freight Planning Initiatives Keith Bucklew, Indiana Department of Transportation Dave Christianson, Minnesota Department of Transportation John Maddox, Kansas Department of Transportation
12:00	1:30	Lunch with Keynote Speaker Chris Gutierrez, President, KC Smartport
1:30		Adjourn

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Wisconsin: Sandy Beaupre, John Corbin, Maria Hart, Ethan Johnson

Upcoming Meetings of Interest

August 20-21, 2009

Mid-Continent Transportation Research Symposium
Ames, Iowa

October 20, 2009

Freight Research at UTCs: Integrating Efforts
RITA/TRB/FHWA Workshop Hosted by CFIRE
Long Beach, California

The 2009 Meeting is being recorded for podcasting and will be available through the Coalition website in two weeks. Follow CFIRE on Twitter -- UWC FIRE -- for the latest updates. Selected video clips and presentations will also be available on the CFIRE YouTube channel. For more information on the MVFC, please visit www.mississippivalleyfreight.org.



The National Center for Freight and Infrastructure Research and Education (CFIRE) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is one of ten National University Transportation Centers. CFIRE manages the Mississippi Valley Freight Coalition on behalf of the ten states in the Mississippi Valley Conference of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). The CFIRE consortium includes the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, University of Illinois at Chicago, University of Toledo, and University of Wisconsin-Superior. CFIRE's mission is to advance technology, knowledge, and expertise in the planning, design, construction and operation of sustainable freight transportation infrastructure through education, research, outreach, and training.