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Transportation and Climate Symposium

The Transportation and Climate Symposium was a celebration of climate champions, solutions, and innovation towards transportation decarbonization, transformation, accessible communities, and mobility freedom for all. The event brought together decisionmakers from the private and public sectors including State, regional, Tribal, and local governments from across the country working across siloes from vision and strategy to implementation.

Access the Recorded Sessions:

Day 1: Thursday, July 11th, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Day 2: Friday, July 12th, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Day 2: Friday, July 12th, 12:00 - 12:30 pm

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Background: The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Inflation Reduction Act, and CHIPS and Science Act represent a paradigm shift in climate responsiveness and an unprecedented investment in our freedom of movement, mobility choice, low-carbon opportunities, and vibrant communities. Executing on that vision for a 21st century transportation system, USDOT joined with EPA, HUD, and DOE in committing to a unified strategy for transportation decarbonization. In 2023, the four agencies unveiled the U.S. National Blueprint for Transportation Decarbonization. The Blueprint called for a decarbonized system that was convenient, efficient, and clean – meaning shorter distances between destinations, more fuel-efficient modes and mode choice, and deployment of electrified vehicles and alternative fuels. One year after that framework document was released, the agencies are developing climate action plans and implementing a whole-of-nation transformative vision for the movement of people and goods.

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Thursday, July 11th

3:00-5:00 pm, **Plenary** with USDOT Deputy Assistant Secretary Ann Shikany

- **Keynote Discussion** with USDOT Deputy Secretary Polly Trottenberg and USHUD General Counsel Damon Smith

- **The Cost of Inaction on Climate** with Federal Highway Administrator Shailen Bhatt, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Senior Vice President Martin Durbin, and Marsh McLennan Managing Director for Climate Francis Bouchard

- **Roundtable: State Climate Leadership** with White House Deputy National Climate Advisor Mary Frances Repko, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Secretary Michael Carroll, New Mexico Department of Transportation Executive Director Jerry Valdez, Colorado Department of Transportation Deputy Executive Director Herman Stockinger, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Executive Director Jim Tymon

Friday July, 12th

9 am, **Opening Plenary** with USDOT Deputy Assistant Secretary Ann Shikany

- **U.S. National Blueprint on Transportation Decarbonization: A Vision for Land Use and Mode Choice** with Department of Housing and Urban Development Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Solomon Greene, Department of Energy Deputy Assistant Secretary Michael Berube, Environmental Protection Agency Associate Administrator for Policy Victoria Arroyo

- **Remarks and Announcements** with National Climate Advisor Ali Zaidi, Mayor Justin M. Bibb, Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

- **USDOT Climate Leadership** with USDOT Assistant Secretaries Victoria Wassmer and Annie Petsonk, Federal Highways Deputy Administrator Kristin White, National Highway Traffic Safety Deputy Administrator Sophie Shulman, Federal Railroad Deputy Administrator Jennifer Mitchell, Federal Transit Agency Executive Director Matt Welbes

Mayors' Roundtable with USDOT and USDOE Joint Office of Energy and Transportation Executive Director Gabe Klein, Cleveland Mayor Justin M. Bibb, Madison Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, Lincoln Mayor Leiron Gaylor Baird, and Mesa Mayor John Giles

4 - 4:30 pm, **Closing Plenary: The Future of Transportation** with AFL-CIO Senior Advisor Sam Smith

*Note times are subject to change

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USDOT TRANSPORTATION AND CLIMATE SYMPOSIUM INNOVATION FOR DECARBONIZATION TECH SHOWCASE

Featuring live demos, test rides, and opportunities to explore new and emerging transportation technologies for climate solutions!

FORMAL REMARKS FROM WHITE HOUSE, U.S. DOT, AND U.S. DOE OFFICIALS AT 1 PM

Robert C. Hampshire, Ph.D
U.S. DOT Chief Scientist and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Research & Technology

Jeff Marootian
U.S. DOE Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary

Andrés F Clarens, PhD
Assistant Director for Industrial Decarbonization White House Office of Science and Technology Policy

Laura Fox
StreetLife Ventures Co-Founder and Managing Partner

Gretchen Goldman, Ph.D
U.S. DOT Climate Change Research & Technology Director

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Speaker Highlights:

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Shailen Bhatt,
FHWA Administrator
Martin Durbin,
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Francis Bouchard,
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Mary Frances Repko
(Moderator),
White House Deputy National Climate Advisor
Jim Tymon,
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Executive Director
Jerry Valdez,
New Mexico Department of Transportation Executive Director
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Michael Carroll,
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Secretary of Transportation
Herman Stockinger,
Colorado Department of Transportation Deputy Executive Director
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USE AND MODE CHOICE AS
CLIMATE STRATEGIES
Ann Shikany,
U.S. DOT Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy
Vicki Arroyo,
U.S. EPA Associate Administrator for Policy
Solomon Greene,
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Victoria Wassmer,
U.S. DOT Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, and Chief Financial Officer
Kristin White,
Federal Highway Administration Deputy Administrator
Sophie Shulman,
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Deputy Administrator
Matthew Welbes,
Federal Transit Administration Executive Director
Jennifer Mitchell,
Federal Railroad Administration Deputy Administrator
Annie Petsonk,
U.S. DOT Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs
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Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird, Lincoln, NE
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