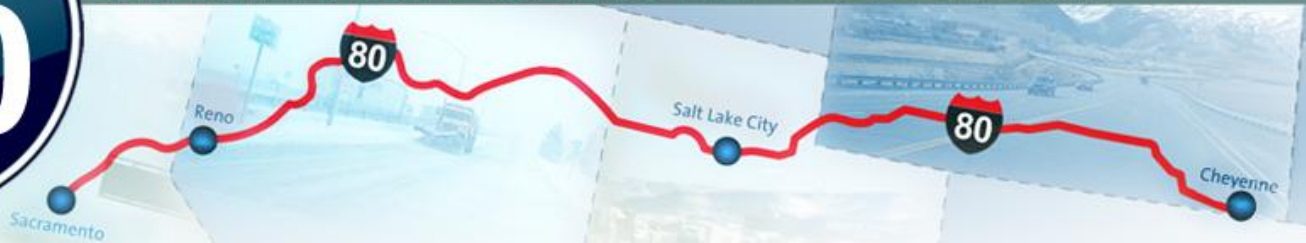




# WINTER OPERATIONS COALITION



## I-80 COALITION 2011 FALL WORKSHOP

RENO, NEVADA

SEPTEMBER 27 – 28, 2011

### WORKSHOP SUMMARY

The following provides a brief workshop summary of action items. The detailed summary and presentations can be obtained from the “members only” area on the I-80 Coalition website.

#### ACTION ITEMS

##### General Coalition Action Items

- Update 2-page Coalition white paper provided on website
- Organization of the Coalition (develop a formal agreement to work together)
- Update the Coalition website to include more graphics and current news (especially during winter)
- Provide more frequent communications/updates via new I-80 Coalition e-mail address
- Topics to be discussed during the Spring Webinar include:
  - Results of the IMO/NCAR project
  - Update from UDOT on products that are coming out this year for traveler applications
  - Task Force updates
- Formation of two new task forces:
  - Data Sharing – focus on what types of information would be beneficial to share between states as well as using additional data from trucking companies or others to benefit operations
  - Traveler Information – particular focus on corridor-wide traveler information, and looking at feasibility of One-Stop-Shop type concept
- There may be the opportunity to compete for federal funding. There currently is no agreement, charter, or MOU in place. Start by looking at the I-15 agreement.
- Identify projects for federal funding and categorize them by project type.

##### Weather Task Force Action Items

- Finalize Road Weather Operations Plan
- Provide the Coalition with a template and best practices for an RWIS Strategic Plan
- Provide Coalition with a template and best practices RWIS Maintenance Plan
- Prepare a webinar for the staff at the TMCs to listen to how each TMC in the Coalition is doing something different with weather and to discuss weather topics. Possible topic could be how to switch from a private system to open architecture.
- Leverage the prepared list of questions on “What to ask your meteorologist” before and after a storm to enhance communications with NWS and other TMCs – provide additional



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## TMC Task Force Action Items

- Develop a process for coordination before events – leverage what NW Passage has done.
- Continue to have coordination calls before and after major storm events
  - Add nighttime shift coordination calls
- Establish webinar for each state to go into detail about what their TMC can do and how they can support each other
- Establish consistent DMS and traveler information messaging (coordinate with new Traveler Information Task Force)
  - Document existing messages used along the I-80 Corridor – in the process of collecting messages
  - Review the Federal Guidelines on standardization of messaging – expected to be released in October
  - Develop standard messages regarding wind/speed, and other weather indicators

## Freight Task Force Action Items

- Include others in the Freight Task Force, such as state trucking associations and/or private sector
- Preparation of article on trucking and work to get it published in state trucking association magazines
- Outreach to state trucking associations, including attend local trucking association meetings and present on the Coalition

## ATTENDEES

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