

Pro Walk/Pro Bike® 2010 Special Interest Meetings

From the first Pro Bike® conference in 1980, the National Center for Bicycling & Walking has offered meeting space at no charge to other organizations that compliment our Pro Walk/Pro Bike® conference as a benefit to paid registrants of Pro Walk/Pro Bike®. We do this to help grow the movement; and to ensure that the movement continues to provide a big tent event where advocates, professionals, elected officials, newcomers, hard liners, trend setters, and all interested parties can come together and learn from each other.

This year, the National Center for Bicycling & Walking (NCBW) is pleased to host more than a dozen pre- and post-conference special interest meetings conducted by leading professionals, organizations and agencies. The topics to be presented are sure to appeal to a wide range of interests and conference delegates.

Please note that at least seven (7) of these special interest meetings will take place on Monday, September 13, one day BEFORE the actual conference begins. Then, notice that the balance of the special interest meetings take place on Thursday afternoon and on Friday AFTER the conference officially concludes at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 16. So, if you would like to participate in any of these meetings, be sure to make your travel plans and sleeping room arrangements at the Chattanooga Marriott accordingly.

Finally, because space is limited and the topics to be presented are timely and popular, you are encouraged to reserve a seat at any special interest meeting you would like to attend directly with the contact person shown below (and not with the NCBW). For the SRTS National Partnership meeting or the Equal Footing Summit you have the option to register on the Pro Walk/Pro Bike® registration page. We look forward to seeing you at Pro Walk/Pro Bike® 2010.

Register now for the Pro Walk/Pro Bike® 2010 conference at <https://center.uoregon.edu/conferences/NCBW/2010/registration>. Sign up for guest rooms at the Chattanooga Marriott at www.bikewalk.org/2010conference/hotel.php.

Monday, September 13

- 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom F.
Site Design Workshop. Sponsored by Designing Streets for People LLC and presented by Michael Ronkin and Peter Lagerwey. This workshop is a one-day interactive course that teaches how to apply human factors in rethinking and redesigning commercial, civic, office and light industrial sites to provide safe and convenient access for pedestrians and bicyclists. Includes classroom exercises that cover subjects such as: access management, building orientation, parking lot design, pedestrian access, bicycle access and bicycle parking, exterior and interior building design. Participants will also learn how traditional codes and regulations can promote or hinder more bicycle- and pedestrian-friendly design and how to overcome potential resistance from developers and public officials to enact favorable policies. Course fee is \$135 payable at the workshop. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Contact: Michael Ronkin, michaelronkin@gmail.com.
- 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom E.
Designing for Pedestrian Safety (DPS) Workshop. Sponsored by the University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center. This course is intended for planners and engineers who are interested in reducing pedestrian crashes through roadway design and traffic control measures. It includes such topics as sidewalks, street crossing measures, intersection geometry, signalization, interchanges,

roundabouts, transit, and road diets. The course describes case studies and treatment effects on crashes. Contact: Charlie Zegeer, charlie_zegeer@unc.edu.

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Chattanooga Convention Center, Meeting Room 5.
Youth Engagement in Pedestrian Safety using VideoVoice, PhotoVoice and other Multi-media Strategies. Sponsored by California WALKS. California WALKS works closely with youth using PhotoVoice and VideoVoice Mapping as tools to enhance transportation safety and community walkability education and policymaking. This workshop aims to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to implement Photo and Video Voice with youth and other community residents. Presenters will provide an overview of pedestrian safety principles and best practices. An overview of Photo and Video Voice techniques and experiences will also be presented. Contact: Wendy Alfsen, wendyalfsen@gmail.com or Rhianna Babka, rhianna@californiawalks.org.
- 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Chattanooga Convention Center, Meeting Room 6.
U.S. Bicycle Routes: Criteria and Implementation (participation by invitation only). Sponsored by Adventure Cycling. Contact: Ginny Sullivan, gsullivan@adventurecycling.org.
- 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Meeting Room 4.
Campus Bike Programmers Network Meeting. Sponsored by the Campus Bike Programmers Network. Join other campus bike coordinators for this meeting, the second of its kind. Contact: Tim Potter, bikes@msu.edu.
- 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Meeting Room 6.
U.S. Bicycle Route System Implementation Workshop. Sponsored by Adventure Cycling. This afternoon session will feature a dynamic discussion on ways to build a bicycle route system throughout the U.S. Participants will discuss benefits of the U.S. Bicycle Route System; building partnerships between state agencies and cycling groups; route development criteria; steps to get started or participate in implementation; how to gain buy-in from local communities, transportation agencies, and natural and recreational resource managers; and collaboration across state lines. The workshop will present resources that will benefit all levels of interest. Contact: Ginny Sullivan, gsullivan@adventurecycling.org.
- 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom H/I.
Safe Routes to School National Partnership Annual Meeting. Sponsored by Safe Routes to School National Partnership. This event will include an opportunity for partners to provide feedback on their draft 2011-2015 strategic plan, which will take the SRTS national movement to the next level. The event is free, but advance registration is required as seating is limited. Visit www.saferoutespartnership.org/ for additional information. Contact: Brooke Driesse, brooke@saferoutespartnership.org.
- 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom G
Information Meeting on Accessibility Guidelines for Shared-Use Paths. Sponsored by U.S. Access Board. The US Access Board plans to develop specific new guidelines for shared use paths (SUPs)

designed for use by pedestrians, cyclists, roller skaters, skateboarders, and other non-motorized users. In addition to general recreational use, SUPs often serve a transportation purpose, providing a system of off-road transportation routes for users. Whether located within a highway right of way, provided along a river, or established over natural terrain within an independent right of way, SUPs are distinguished from sidewalks, trails, and accessible routes required on sites by their multipurpose use.

As a first step in the development of accessibility guidelines, the meeting will gather information about accessibility and other issues related to shared use paths. Access Board staff and members are particularly interested in accessibility guidelines developed for SUPs by State DOTs and other jurisdictions. Individuals with experience in the design and construction of shared use paths, SUP users, including people who have disabilities, and others with expertise in this area are encouraged to participate. Contact Peggy Greenwell at (202) 272-0017 or via email at greenwell@access-board.gov for more information and/or to sign up to participate.

Tuesday, September 14

8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Chattanooga Marriott Hotel, East/West Meeting Room.
Rails-to-Trails Conservancy Meeting and Reception. Sponsored the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy. Join RTC members to discuss H.R. 4722, the Active Community Transportation Act (ACT) of 2010. The ACT Act would create a \$2 billion federal program to which communities around the country could apply to help complete their walking, bicycling and trail systems that could enable and encourage residents to shift some short trips to walking and bicycling. Also discussed will be the opportunity the Act would present to communities around the country, and how we can help the legislation move forward, individually and collectively. Beer, wine and light snacks will be served. Contact Kartik Sribarra, kartik@railstotrails.org for more information or <http://support.railstotrails.org/PWPB> to RSVP for the meeting.

Wednesday, September 15

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tennessee Aquarium, Auditorium.
APBP 2010 Annual Meeting. Sponsored by the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals. Join APBP members for awards, recognition, remarks by incoming ITE International VP and APBP member Rock Miller, and 2-minute candidate statements for the APBP Board of Directors. Contact: Kit Keller, kit@apbp.org.

Thursday, September 16

2:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom G.
FHWA Annual State Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinators Meeting (participation by invitation only). Sponsored by the Federal Highway Administration. Contact: Gabe Rousseau, gabe.rousseau@dot.gov.

2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom F.

2010 Transportation Enhancements Professional Seminar

(participation by invitation only). Sponsored by the National Transportation Enhancements Clearinghouse.

- 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Meeting Room 15.
Local Coordinators Meeting. Sponsored by the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals. This meeting is open to City and County government planning and engineering staff who lead bicycle and/or pedestrian efforts for their jurisdiction. Non-agency staff are invited to sit in as observers only. Issues/solutions relevant to local bike/ped staff will be discussed and success stories will be shared. Please RSVP to deb@apbp.org and provide name, title, agency and contact information. For more information or to suggest agenda items, contact Eric Anderson at eanderson@cityofberkeley.info.
- 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom E.
Equal Footing Summit 2010. Sponsored by America Walks. The Equal Footing Summit to raise awareness for a concerted national walking movement. Led by Mark Fenton, the summit will present a draft for a National Walking Strategy with the goal of identifying the most effective campaigns and projects that will bring walking into the limelight as an issue of national priority. The event is free, but advance registration is required as seating is limited. For more information, see www.americawalks.org/equal-footing/. Contact: Scott Bricker, sbricker@americawalks.org.
- Friday, September 17.**
- 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center Meeting Room 6
America Walks Board Retreat – Equal Footing Summit Follow-up (participation open to America Walks board members only). Contact: Scott Bricker, sbricker@americawalks.org.
- 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom G.
Accessible Pedestrian Signals Workshop. Sponsored by the University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center, this free full-day workshop provides information and guidance pertaining to the features, design, and installation of accessible pedestrian signals (APS). This workshop is the product of a national research project developing guidance on APS to optimize safe and independent crossing at signalized intersections by pedestrians who are visually impaired. Space is limited. For more information and/or to register, contact Daniel Carter at (919) 962-8720 or daniel_carter@unc.edu.
- 8:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom E/F
2010 Transportation Enhancements Professional Seminar (participation by invitation only). Sponsored by the National Transportation Enhancements Clearinghouse.
- 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Chattanooga Marriott Hotel, Plaza Ballroom A/B.
Livable Chattanooga – The Local Perspective. Sponsored by the Active Living Transportation Network. Chattanooga's quality of life and beautiful surroundings serve as the backdrop for the 2010 ProWalk/ProBike® Conference. This free open session will connect local leaders and conference attendees to learn how we can continue to improve livability for Chattanooga and its visitors. Learn how

research, practice, policy and your actions will create a better future for Chattanooga. Contact: Stephanie de Olloqui, Stefanie-deOlloqui@utc.edu.

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Chattanooga Convention Center Meeting Room 15.

America Bikes Board Meeting. Sponsored by America Bikes (participation open to America Bikes board members only). Contact: Daniel de Zeeuw, daniel@americabikes.org.

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