Legislative Roundtable
Major Transportation Issues

NCSL Legislative Summit
Tuesday, August 7, 2012
NOW 2:00 pm to 3:15 pm
This is Your Session!

- What issues are most important to you? What would you most like to talk about with counterparts from other states?

- We will provide context and time to discuss these previously identified top issues:
  - State-federal issues: MAP-21
  - Transportation funding and finance
  - Distracted driving and other traffic safety issues

- Plus time for other issues you identify today
State-Federal Issues: MAP-21

- Deputy Secretary of Transportation John D. Porcari
Transportation Funding and Finance

- States face a transportation funding crisis
- 20 states have cut transportation programs since FY 2010 and road investments are below pre-recession levels in 28 states
- In 2012, state legislatures looked at:
  - Funding (e.g., taxes and fees)
  - Finance, efficiency and accountability
- What would you like to discuss?

Distracted Driving and More

- 10 states, D.C., Guam, and V.I. handheld ban for all drivers
- 39 states and D.C. ban text messaging while driving for all drivers
- Reducing distracted driving
  - Enforcement?
  - Education?
- What would you like to discuss?

NCSL's Distracted Driving Page:
Other Key Issues

- Identified in today's Transportation Committee business meeting:
  - Tolling (interstates, flexible use of toll revenues)
  - Truck size and weight limits
  - Harbor improvements and dredging
  - Airport security
  - Rural transportation issues

- Other transportation issues facing your state?
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Key Resources (see handouts):
All NCSL transportation resources are linked from http://www.ncsl.org/issues-research.aspx?tabs=951,72,115#115

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