

## BIWEEKLY RESOURCE PAGES

(All Times Central, 09/12/2022)

### IOWA LTAP HOURLY WEBINARS

**MUTCD Sign Retro-Reflectivity Refresher**, *Tuesday, 9/27 at 12:00 PM* – This webinar will provide an overview of the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MUTCD) minimum sheeting retro-reflectivity levels, cover the different assessment and management approaches that agencies can use to monitor sign conditions and ensure compliance, and discuss how to implement/conduct the different methods that are available. More information and the registration link can be found [here](#).

**New MUTCD Minimum Retro-Reflectivity Levels for Pavement Markings**, *Tuesday, 10/25 at 12:00 PM* – This webinar will highlight the new final rule to the MUTCD that requires agencies to maintain minimum levels of retro-reflectivity for longitudinal pavement markings. We will highlight which roads these apply to, compliance dates, and required levels, as well as acceptable maintenance methods that agencies can use to determine when markings fall below minimum levels. More information and the registration link can be found [here](#).

Subjects under consideration for November/December: Responding to the commercial driver's license (CDL) requirements, predicting safety impacts, etc. **Let us know what you want to hear about!!!**

### FALL LTAP EVENTS – REGISTER!!!

**Iowa Streets and Roads Workshop and Conference**, *Tuesday–Thursday, 9/20–9/22* (Ames) – This event includes a day-long workshop from our leadership series along with presentations for about 1.5 days. Vendors are also on-site, both inside and outside. All public employees are invited to attend. Anyone who is in a leadership position, such as a first-line supervisor or aspires to be in such a position, will especially benefit from the workshop. Secondary road and street maintenance supervisors and staff will especially benefit from the conference. Email Keith at [kknapp@iastate.edu](mailto:kknapp@iastate.edu) in the next few days if you'd like to attend as registration has been closed (we may have cancellations).

**Multi-Disciplinary Roadway Safety Series**, *Wednesday, 10/5* (Ames), *Thursday, 10/6* (Iowa City), *Wednesday, 10/19* (Council Bluffs), *Thursday, 10/20* (Osceola), *Wednesday, 10/26* (Storm Lake), and *Thursday, 10/27* (Mason City) – This is an annual series that provides the most current information and advice for improving roadway safety to local agencies in terms of planning, law enforcement, education, and engineering. This is an opportunity to hear about the latest work and programs aimed at reducing fatal crashes from a wide variety of various safety partners in the state. For more information and register, please go [here](#).

**Iowa Winter Maintenance Workshop**, *Tuesday, 11/1* (Spencer), *Wednesday, 11/2* (Boone), *Thursday, 11/3* (Independence), *Tuesday, 11/8* (Fairfield), and *Wednesday, 11/9* (Greenfield) – Snow and ice control can be the most demanding, challenging, and visible tasks performed by local public agencies. This workshop will cover many of the topics needed for operations staff to be prepared for the upcoming winter season. Some of the topics it might include are pre-season preparation, snow removal on county roads and city streets, the use of deicers, calibration, pre-trip inspection, and the importance of a healthy diet and physical activity for snowfighters during the long winter months. For more information and to register, please go [here](#).

## PARTNER ACTIVITIES

**Pavement Network Asset Management: A Tool to Maximize the Return on Infrastructure Investments (CP Tech Center)**, *Thursday 9/13 at 12:00 PM* – This webinar will give an overview on the topic of pavement network management and discuss how when it's applied correctly it can provide some of the same benefits as increased funding. Simulations at the state and national level will be reviewed to show the value of four critical asset management strategies: flexible decision-making, considering a diverse range of pavement treatment technologies, long-term planning, and maintaining a competitive pavement market. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

**MINK Conference**, *Wednesday–Thursday, 9/28–9/29* (St. Joseph, MO)–MINK is an annual meeting that brings together officials from local road agencies, state departments of transportation (DOTs), and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) divisions in **Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, and Kansas**. The agenda covers timely and practical topics on maintenance, administration, innovative ideas, safety, and funding. It's a great place to share information, learn together, and talk shop. Attendees from any state are welcome. More information and the registration link can be found [here](#).

**Winter Operations: An Essential Day of Training (APWA Iowa Chapter)**, *Wednesday, 10/5* (Council Bluffs) – Learn about new technology and operational methods to save money and protect the environment by effectively treating pavement with reduced materials during winter events. Also learn about the importance of weather forecasting and the management of snowplow equipment. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

**2022 APWA Iowa Chapter Fall Conference**, *Wednesday–Friday, 10/5–10/7* (Sioux City) – This conference has historically offered an excellent opportunity for those in the broad world of public works to expand knowledge, network, elect officers, and recognize award winners. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

**Winter Maintenance Supervisor Certificate Program (APWA Iowa Chapter)**, *Thursday 10/6* (Sioux City) – The American Public Works Association (APWA) Iowa Chapter is offering this program in conjunction with the 2022 Fall Conference. The program covers all aspects of operations that a supervisor needs to know to make good program decisions and improve its agency practices. Attendees receive a certificate of completion upon successful completion of the program. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

**2022 SPOT and Iowa State Rodeo (APWA Iowa Chapter)**, *Tuesday–Thursday, 10/11–10/13* (Council Bluffs) – Snow Plow Operator Training (SPOT) is being offered 10/11 and 10/12, and the ever-popular Rodeo event will take place on 10/13. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

**TRB International Low Volume Roads Conference**, *Sunday–Thursday, 7/23–7/27, 2023* (Cedar Rapids, IA) – This conference is held every four years and has not been held in Iowa since the 1980s. It is a special opportunity for Iowa professionals. The conference is a global forum to examine new technologies and new techniques in the planning, design, construction, operation, maintenance, and administration of low volume roads. It includes full- and mini-workshops, a field trip, lightening poster sessions, and presentations. Typically, more than 20 countries are represented. For more information and to register, please go [here](#).