

DRAFT AASHTO SCOHTS RESOLUTION ON LOCAL ROADS

WHEREAS, Approximately one half of all U.S. traffic fatalities occur on local roads (i.e., non-state and non-federally owned roads); and

WHEREAS, It is recognized that there is a need to accelerate and enhance safety improvement on local roads to meet the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) fatality reduction goal;

WHEREAS, The Standing Committee on Highway Traffic Safety (SCOHTS) has adopted this resolution on May 14, 2010; be it

RESOLVED, That States are encouraged to designate a contact person(s) in the DOT to work with local safety stakeholders; be it further

LTAP/TTAP Center Efforts

- 1. NLTAPA Safety Workgroup will request a list of contacts by state from the SCOHTS committee. Nov. 2010*
- 2. Support and encourage all of the LTAP Centers to contact their State DOT safety unit and identify the local safety contact person within that organization. January 2011*

RESOLVED, That States are encouraged to support efforts to facilitate application of safety funds on their local roads; be it further

LTAP/TTAP Center Efforts

- 1. NLTAPA Safety Workgroup to survey the LTAP/TTAP centers to develop a set of “best practices” for working with the State DOT safety units. January 2011*
- 2. NLTAPA Safety Workgroup presents at the SCOHTS spring meeting a few case studies in the use of the safety funds.*
- 3. Encourage a State DOT safety unit representative to partner with an LTAP/TTAP Center to present a session at the 2011 LTAP/TTAP Conference and SCOHTS summer meeting highlighting a few case studies on best practices for enhancing safety improvements on local roads.*
- 4. LTAP/TTAP Centers to encourage the integration at the local level of both behavioral and structural highway safety countermeasures. ongoing*

RESOLVED, That States are encouraged to include local road safety stakeholders and local road issues and priorities during the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) update and implementation planning process; be it further

LTAP Center Efforts

- 1. The NLTAPA Safety Workgroup will encourage LTAP/TTAP Centers to offer to participate on State DOT SHSP committees to develop Strategic Highway Safety Plan updates.*

2. *The NLTAPA Safety Workgroup present at the SCOHTS spring meeting an update on LTAP/TTAP efforts to assist with SHSP update initiatives.*

RESOLVED, That States are encouraged to enhance and coordinate collection of and access to local road or community level crash data for local safety planning and decision making; finally be it further

LTAP/TTAP Center Efforts

1. *NLTAPA Safety Workgroup present at the SCOHTS summer meeting a case study of the LTAPs and/ or TTAPs working with the funds provided by the State DOT safety units to improve local /tribal road crash data analysis.*

RESOLVED, That States are encouraged to utilize existing mechanisms such as Local Technical Assistance Program centers and the appropriate associations or chapters of local government organizations (such as those representing counties, cities, municipalities) to communicate the AASHTO and SCOHTS safety messages.

LTAP/TTAP Center Efforts

1. *NLTAPA Safety Workgroup present at the SCOHTS spring meeting a case study of strategies used by the LTAP/TTAP centers, working with local Associations and Organizations, to effectively communicate the AASHTO and SCOHTS safety messages to local agencies.*
2. *SCHOTS and NLTAPA Safety Workgroup identify case studies demonstrating the benefits of a strong partnership between the DOT, the LTAP/TTAP and local organizations.*
3. *The NLTAPA Safety Workgroup will provide case studies, such as those above, to the transportation community at large through presentations and educational materials.*