



# Florida LTAP Newsletter

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## The New Florida LTAP Center at USF

*A message from Dr. Pei-Sung Lin, LTAP Center Director*

The Florida Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) is part of a national initiative to transfer transportation technology through technical assistance and training to both urban and rural local agencies, and to American Indian tribal governments. The Florida LTAP Center is funded by the [Florida Department of Transportation \(FDOT\)](#) and [Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\)](#).



Starting in August 2018, the Florida LTAP Center has transitioned to the [Center for Urban Transportation Research \(CUTR\) at the University of South Florida](#).

Our thanks goes to the University of Florida for assisting us with a smooth transition. We are very excited to continue to serve our local agencies and communities throughout Florida by providing state-of-the-art training, technical assistance, and needed support.

As the new director of our Florida LTAP Center, I would like to let you know that we are here to serve you. Your needs are our needs. Your success is our success. The Florida LTAP team is here to provide all needed training, technical assistance, and support to improve the skills and increase the knowledge of the local and tribal transportation workforce to foster a safe, efficient, and environmentally-sound surface transportation system. We will regularly inform you of upcoming trainings, workshops and LTAP activities via our Florida LTAP website, social media, and newsletters. If your agency has any specific training or technical assistance needs, please let us know. We are here to serve!

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# NEWS



FHWA will promote 10 innovative technologies and practices in the fifth round of Every Day Counts (EDC-5) in 2019 and 2020, which is the state-based program to rapid deploy proven but underutilized innovations to shorten project delivery, enhance roadway safety, improve traffic operation efficiency and reinforce infrastructure serviceability and sustainability. Visit the [FHWA page](#) to learn more about these innovations.

In September 2018, FHWA Center for Accelerating Innovations (CAI) offered a series of orientation webinars on EDC-5. Visit the [EDC-5 orientation webinar page](#) for these recorded webinars and presentation slides.



A total of 10 innovations have been selected by FHWA to be promoted in EDC-5 in the next two years. It is important for us to know which of these innovations interests you. Among these innovations are strategies to reduce rural roadway departures, use of crowdsourcing to advance operations, project bundling to pare construction backlogs, safety transportation for every pedestrian, etc.

The Florida LTAP Center wants to hear from you! [Please take a few minutes to participate in our brief survey](#), and your input will facilitate our choices regarding future training resources, newsletter articles and other types of LTAP communications.

**EDC-4 Pavement Preservation:  
Construction of Quality Treatments for Preventive Maintenance  
October 2nd - Orlando**

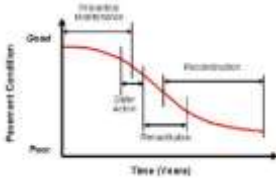


This free training was held in Orlando on October 2nd. Jason Dietz (FHWA), Todd Buckles (Ergon Asphalt), and Chris Evers (Pavement Technology) were present and instructed the course. This course was designed to provide participants with a better understanding of the value added by incorporating pavement preservation strategies into maintaining a roadway network. Gaining this understanding was accomplished by providing participants the opportunity to become familiar with the general concept of pavement preservation and the valuable role it plays in maintaining a roadway network. Over 40 participants took part in this important training.

# Upcoming Events



## Pavement Preservation Peer Exchange



U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration



### **EDC-4 Pavement Preservation Peer Exchange - Tampa, FL** **November 27, 8:30am–4:00pm (ET)**

This free Peer Exchange is a chance for Local Agencies to provide valuable lessons learned to other Local Agencies on the topic of Pavement Preservation, When/Where/How. The participants will also be given the opportunity to provide guidance and input to the project team conducting When/Where/How support to the FHWA. [FREE REGISTRATION](#)

### **Local Agency Program (LAP) Construction Checklist, Specifications, & Greenbook Training**

**November 27, 2018 8:30am–4:00pm (ET) - Tampa, FL**

**November 28, 2018 8:30am–4:00pm (ET) - Bartow, FL**

**March 6, 2019 8:30am–4:00pm (ET) - Chipley, FL**

Targeted for project, engineering, and procurement staff who develop bid packages, construction specifications, contracts and other related procurement documents for construction. Other locations, dates and times are available. Visit the [FDOT LAP Training Page](#) to learn more and to register for these free trainings.

## **National Summit on Rural Road Safety - Savannah, Georgia**

**December 4- December 6, 2018 8:00am-4:00pm**

This summit will attempt to move the rural conversation forward and will focus more intently on safety solutions. It will seek to answer the questions: How do we create awareness and a unified voice for rural areas? What rural-specific solutions exist and how do you implement them within rural constraints? More importantly, how do we shift rural safety culture to get us to zero? Visit [the event page](#) for more information on the trainings and how to register.

## **Upcoming Webinars**

### **e-Construction Tools and Technology: Implementing a Document Management System**

**November 28, 2:00–3:00pm (ET)**

How do some agencies seem to deploy certain e-Construction solutions quickly? Join us to learn how agencies are embracing and scaling up the use of e-Construction solutions to access and manage documents on construction projects. *Hosted by FHWA.* [FREE REGISTRATION](#)

### **Webinar: Changes in Demographics and Markets for Public Transportation**

**November 28, 2018, from 2:00PM to 3:30PM ET**

This webinar will explore how changes in demographics, traveler preferences, and markets for public transportation affect transit ridership now and in the future. Presenters will discuss the role of both "hard" (travel times and costs) and "soft" (values, preferences and attitudes) attributes in the interpretation of predicted changes in the markets for public transportation. They will also identify how an individual's demographics affect their long-term values, their current attitudes, and the type of neighborhood they choose to live in affects their likelihood to ride transit. *Sponsored by Transit Cooperative Research Program.*

[Register Here](#)

## **GPS/Automatic Vehicle Location Webinar** **Thursday, December 6, 2018 @ 11:00-12:00**

This webinar is in a panel discussion format and will focus on looking at one of the identified 2018 Top Tech through different lenses, including public works, industry, policy and legislation, and international. *Hosted by APWA.* [Register Here.](#)

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## **Webinar: Rural Roadway Departure Countermeasures Part 3** **Thursday, December 20, 2018 1:00 to 2:30 PM**

Attendees will get an overview of clear zone treatments and roadside hardware – two more proven safety countermeasures. This webinar is being co-hosted by the National Center for Rural Road Safety (Safety Center), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) EDC-5 Team, National Association of County Engineers (NACE) Safety Committee, and the National Local Technical Assistance Program Association (NLTAPA) Safety Committee. Register [here](#).



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