



INTERNATIONAL RIGHT OF WAY ASSOCIATION

## *International Transportation Committee (ITC)*



### **2009 Fall Forum Report**

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### **The ITC Mission**

- **To provide advice and assistance to the Association on matters related to the acquisition, use, management or disposal of rights of way for transportation.**
- **Examine and monitor legislation or changes in legislation affecting methods or practices pertaining to transportation**
- **Communicate with the other International Committees on all interagency or legislative activities and keep other industry committees informed.**

**The following items represent a summary of the major projects and initiatives undertaken and ongoing within the International Transportation Committee since our Fall, 2008 ITC Report. The ITC is dedicated to continually improving our service to the IRWA membership and is interested in receiving feedback from all members on any issue.**

## **2009 Annual Education Conference**

The ITC definitely contributed to the success of the 2009 Indianapolis Annual Education Conference. The ITC presented seven well attended and informative sessions. The ITC is currently working toward another round of informative sessions for the 2010 Education Conference in Calgary next June. Some of the current proposed sessions are as follows:

**Federal Agency/AASHTO Update**  
**Standing sessions now combined**  
**TBD**

**Design/Build – Miracle or Nightmare?**  
**Do the benefits outweigh the risks?**  
**Karen M. Stein, SR/WA, R/W-RAC**

**Acquiring Title to Military Real Estate**  
**Federal land transfers**  
**Michael Phillips, SR/WA**

**Preparing for the Winter Olympics in British Columbia**  
**Nancy Sinclair**

**Land Development at Calgary International Airport**  
**Meeting Canada's Demand for Aviation**  
**Rick Etter**

**The ABC's of PPP's: The Basics Regarding Public-Private Partnerships**  
**Fred D. Arnold**

**When Worlds Collide: Appraising, Acquiring & Condemning Environmentally Impacted Properties**  
**Ana B. Rausch**

**Interstate 69: The Past, the Present, the Future**  
**William R. Flowers, Jr., SR/WA, R/W-AC**

**The Highway Beautification Act and Native American Tribal Lands**  
**Clyde B. Johnson, SR/WA, R/W-RAC**

**Public Transit: One Size Does Not Fit All**  
**C. Wayne Larsen, SR/WA, R/W-RAC**

**Corridor Banking for Future Commuter Rail Use**  
**Michael Anders, SR/WA**

**Detours, Long Commutes, Delayed Flights and Mass Transit Failures**  
**LoAnn Weight, SR/WA, R/W-NAC, R/W-NAC**

## **Federal Agency Update – A Public Real Estate Symposium (FAU) January 26 -28, 2010 – Las Vegas NV**

The FAU schedule is packed with over 50 break-out sessions. Several ITC members will serve as session presenters and facilitators. It is not too early to plan for this Symposium. Details for registration can be found at [www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org) or in the “Right of Way” Magazine.

The International (Industry) Committees and Regions/IEC will hold their annual mid-year meetings in conjunction with the symposium. The intent is to facilitate a more collaborative environment among the committees while reducing committee meeting costs. The ITC will again hold our mid-year meeting following the Symposium on Friday, January 29th.

Our current “Goals and Objectives” are now available on the IRWA web site for viewing. The updated ITC Power Point and Mid Year report to the IEC will be available for viewing on the ITC webpage - in time for the January 2010 Symposium.

### **About the ITC**

The ITC membership is made up of IRWA members from both the US and Canada. We have a mix of both the governmental agencies (on the national, state and local levels) and private consultants. Our ITC members come from nearly all fields of the Right of Way profession. We have appraisers, relocation advisors, acquisition specialists, environmental experts, experts in the field of personal property, and engineering professionals. Our membership also includes State and Federal employees that are engaged in Policy and Rules Making. The ITC is an umbrella that covers all dispositions that deal with Right of Way and is striving to be the most valuable resource for right of way information – specializing in transportation.

The ITC is very visible as a participant in the Annual Education Conference each year. Generally presentations by the ITC have record attendance and the use of “Attendee Surveys” is very valuable in evaluating both the quality of the content and the presenters.

The ITC carries out an Outreach Program through the Communication Sub-Committee. This objective is to annually identify all Chapter Transportation Chairs. In those chapters where a Transportation Chair has not been named, the ITC contacts the Chapter President in this role. The aim is to have a working network whereby each chapter can be in tune with the latest information by direct communication.

### **ITC Members “Personal Projects”**

This year the ITC has made a commitment to the Transportation Industry to be the leading resource for transportation issues. The ITC Chair and Vice Chair are currently reviewing the ITC member’s resumes to evaluate the expertise of each member and in what capacity the individual members can best serve the committee. We have a wealth of knowledge

among our membership and we need to define this expertise and market our resources to the IRWA membership and beyond.

The ITC is continuing to work within the structure of our Sub-Committees until we develop a matrix to indicate our levels of expertise in order to provide resources to the organization. This is in conjunction with our Personal Project Program and will help to better define each individual's project based on what they enjoy the most. Members of the ITC have completed some major projects that contribute to the IRWA's membership as a whole, such as magazine articles, serving as presenters at seminars and classes, speaking at allied organization functions, conducting conferences, and monitoring national programs, projects and events.

## **VISION STATEMENT**

***“The International Right of Way Association will be the worldwide leader for innovation and excellence in the acquisition and management of right of way.”***

### **Summary**

Lastly, we on the ITC are committed to improving our effectiveness and our responsiveness to the IRWA members. We encourage you to contact your Regional Representative on the ITC, the Chair or Vice-Chair with your issues, suggestions, potential projects, suggested conference topics, speakers, or just plain advice. Please remember we value input from all association members.

Respectfully Submitted,

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