

Northwest Transit Exchange

Thursday August 21- Friday 22, 2014

Portland State University - Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science

1930 SW Fourth Avenue - Room 315

Downtown Portland, Oregon

NWTX is the place to share your ideas and experiences about transit service here in the Pacific Northwest. NWTX is great way to benefit your current work and to build relationships with your peers who have similar goals, challenges and operating environments. Share experiences, solve problems, and glean practical advice in our interactive roundtable formats on a variety of topics.

Staff from the following systems plan to attend: Eugene LTD, Salem-Keizer Cherriots, TriMet, Vancouver C-Tran, Olympia Intercity, Spokane Transit Authority, Sound Transit, and King County Metro.

Lodging: A reserved block of rooms for NWTX is available at the University Place Hotel a block from the Engineering Building. Call (503) 221.0140 or 1.866.845.4647 and ask for the Northwest Transit Exchange rate. Breakfast is included. (<http://www.uplacehotel.com/>)

Transport: MAX Red Line connects PDX airport with downtown Portland. Transfer at Pioneer Courthouse to Yellow or Green line trains for a short ride to within two blocks of the hotel.

Dress: Casual. This is a green building and tends to run warm in August.

Proposed Agenda

Thursday August 21

- 8:30 – 8:45 am Introductions and Welcome
- 8:45 – 10:00 am Agency Updates
- 10:00 – 10:15 am *Break*
- 10:15 – 11:15 am Planning and Operating BRT services
- Lunch on your own (lots of food carts a block north on SW Fourth Ave)*
- 12:30 – 1:15 pm Jarrett Walker Presentation and Discussion
- 1:15 – 2:15 pm Applications of Service Guidelines
- 2:15 – 2:30 pm *Break*
- 2:30 – 3:30 pm Improving on-time performance and data-driven schedules
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm Generating and preparing data from on-board systems
- 4:30 – 5:00 pm Engaging Operators and union leaders in service decisions

Friday August 22

- 8:30- 9:30 am Public outreach lessons learned during service reduction outreach
- 9:30 – 10:30 am Tailoring service levels to colleges and universities
- 10:30 – 10:45 am *Break*
- 10:45 am – Noon Creating long-range transit plans
- Lunch on your own*
- Afternoon is free to ride the system.*

Please bring examples of Operator materials (route descriptions, paddles, SOPs, Operator guidebooks) and public materials (maps, timetables) to display and compare with others.