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Summary

AICP certified transportation planner with 29 years of experience. Extensive background in staff supervision, management of federal planning programs, and leadership of local, state and national committees.

Experience

Transportation Planning Manager / MPO Director – Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

June, 2021 to present

- Manage Federal Metropolitan Transportation Planning Program for the Lexington-Fayette Urbanized Area
- MPO staff of 9 with annual budget of \$1,500,000
- Oversee prioritization and programming of transportation projects using STP Block Grant and Transportation Alternative Program funding
- Coordinate with Lexington Fayette Urban County Government review of site plan developments

Director – Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization

January, 2003 to June, 2021

- Recipient of 2019 National Award for Outstanding Overall Achievement for a Non-Transportation Management Area by the Association of MPOs (AMPO)
- MPO staff of 5 with annual budget of \$500,000
- Internal staff development of 2030, 2035, 2040 and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plans, Transportation Improvement Programs and First Regional Active Transportation Plan.
- Coordinated development of US Business 77 corridor study and Waco Rapid Transit Feasibility Study
- Assist in development of Regional Public Transportation Coordination Plan, Regional Air Quality Planning and coordinating activities between the MPO and the Heart of Texas Council of Governments.

Assistant Director – Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization

April, 1999 to January, 2003

- Coordinated development of 2025 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and first regional thoroughfare plan.

Interim Director – Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization

November, 1998 to April, 1999

Urban Planner / Transportation Planner – City of Waco Planning Services
December, 1997 to November, 1998

- Coordinated update of the Waco Comprehensive Plan.

Transportation Planner / GIS Coordinator – West Alabama Planning & Development Council
January, 1995 to November, 1997

- Assisted in development of Tuscaloosa Area 2010 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Continued development of newly created GIS section with data / layer development and regional planning analysis

Transportation Intern – West Alabama Planning and Development Council
January, 1994 to December, 1994

Leadership

Texas Association of MPOs (TEMPO)

Elected by vote of Texas MPO representatives

Executive Director

August, 2016 to May, 2021

Deputy Executive Director

August, 2013 to August, 2016

Small MPO Representative: TEMPO Executive Committee

June, 2004 to August, 2013

Association of MPOs (AMPO)

Appointments by AMPO Board of Directors

Technical Committee Chair

April, 2011 to April, 2014

Technical Committee Vice-Chair

October, 2009 to April 2011

Technical Committee Member

October, 2006 to October, 2009 and April, 2014 to present

Texas State Freight Advisory Committee (TxFAC)

Appointment by Texas Transportation Commission

Ex-Officio Member representing MPOs

April, 2017 to June, 2021

Heart of Texas Regional Transportation Coordination Council
Election by Council Members

Council Chair

November, 2009 to January, 2014

State of Alabama Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Election by subcommittee members

Facilities Subcommittee Chair

January, 1997 to November, 1997

Research / Professional Development

Association of MPOs (AMPO) Working Groups

Performance Based Planning & Programming Work Group
December, 2018 to March, 2020

Connected and Automated Vehicle Technical Working Group
March, 2017 to November, 2018

Emerging Technologies Work Group
March, 2020 to December, 2022

MPO Directors Forum Leadership
January, 2023 to present

AASHTO / FHWA Expert Task Group on Transportation Asset Management
June, 2014 to April, 2016

Transportation Research Board Committee on Asset Management (ABC 40)
October, 2016 to April, 2019

Education

B.A. Geography – May, 1992
University of New Orleans

Masters Program – 1992 to 1995
Department of Geography
University of Alabama

Certifications

American Institute of Certified Planners – July, 2001

Presentations / Best Practices

Connecting Transportation Performance Measures to Project Programming and Decision Making; Presented jointly with Stuart Kearns from Lexington Area MPO at the 2022 Association of MPOs Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October, 2022

Fixed Route Fixer Upper: Developing Rapid Transit in Waco; Presented jointly with AECOM and Waco Transit at the 2019 Annual Texas State APA Planning Conference, Waco, TX, November, 2019

Using the Congestion Management Process Assessment Tool (COMPAT) to Identify Congestion Hot Spots; Presented to the Association of Texas MPOs Summer 2019 Meeting, Lubbock, TX, July, 2019

Performance Target Reporting: An Experience from a Small MPO; Presented at the FHWA Transportation Performance Management (TPM) and Performance-Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) Implementation Workshop for the Midwest Region, Chicago, IL, June, 2019

Transportation Asset Management for MPOs: Workshop Moderator for 4-part series of workshops
May, 2017 - Association of MPOs Technical Symposium, St Louis, MO
July, 2017 - Texas MPO Association Summer Meeting - Harlingen, TX
October, 2017 - Association of MPOs Annual Meeting - Savannah, GA

Corridor Study Overview for the Redesign of US Business 77 in Waco; Presented at the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Meeting, Fort Worth, TX, October, 2016 and the Texas Institute of Transportation Engineers Meeting, Frisco, TX, April, 2017

Transportation Planning 101 for Public Transportation; Presented jointly with Alex Kone, Capital Area MPO at the Texas Transit Association Conference, Waco, TX, April, 2016

The Coordination and Streamlining of Public Transportation Services: A Case Study from the Heart of Texas Region; Presented at the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, October, 2011

The Challenge of Addressing Livability in the Transportation Planning Process: A Case Study of the Waco Metropolitan Transportation Plan; Presented at the 2010 Border to Border Transportation Planning Conference, El Paso, TX, November, 2010

Assessing the Impacts of Transportation Decisions: The Role of Scenario Planning in Selecting Transportation Priorities; Presented at the 2008 Border to Border Transportation Conference, McAllen, TX, November, 2008

Envisioning a Brighter Future: Balancing Suburban Growth with Urban Revitalization; Presented at the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations Annual Meeting, Little Rock, AR, October, 2007

Waco's Scenario Planning Efforts; Presented at the Summer Meeting of the Texas Institute of Transportation Engineers, Amarillo, TX, June, 2007