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January 7-9, 2026, Doubletree Crystal City, Arlington, VA

¹ Amitai Lipton replaced Scott Kuznicki at 9:20 AM EST

17 Executive Secretary Moeur stated a full complement of 41 voting members was present, along
18 with two Honorary Members.

19 **Approval of 2025 Midyear Meeting Summary**

20 Lambert moved and Campbell seconded approval of the meeting summary for the June 2025
21 Midyear Meeting. This passed in a unanimous voice vote.

22 **Introduction of New Members**

23 Chair Hawkins called those who were approved for membership at the October and December
24 2025 Board meetings to the front, and welcomed them to NCUTCD. Each new member who
25 was in attendance was given a NCUTCD membership pin. The list of new members is attached.

26 **Chair's Report**

27 Chair Hawkins recognized and thanked all the companies which provided financial support for
28 the Annual Meeting. They are listed in the meeting program and on a poster by the registration
29 desk. Without this support, registration fees would increase substantially and amenities such as
30 breakfast and break items would be curtailed. A request for proposals for support for the 2026
31 Midyear Meeting will be issued soon.

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33 Chair Hawkins recognized the passing of Bill Shrewsberry, a long-time active member of the
34 Railroad and Light Rail Transit TC. There was a moment of silence in honor of Mr. Shrewsberry.

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36 Chair Hawkins recognized Dave Woodin and Mark Nahra, as this will be their final NCUTCD
37 meeting. Dave is a past chair of Markings TC and Mark is a long-time Associate Member for
38 NACE.

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40 Chair Hawkins recognized Zoubir Ouadah for his service as a past chair of Markings TC.

41 **2026 Midyear Meeting Announcement**

42 The Midyear Meeting will be in Mobile, Alabama June 24-26, 2026. The meeting sessions will
43 be at the Mobile Convention Center and the host hotel will be the Renaissance Riverview, site of
44 the 2008 Midyear Meeting. There was a brief presentation (attached) and a short video shown.
45 Registration and room booking should open in early March. Chair Hawkins reminded members
46 to register for the meeting on Cvent at the time they make their travel and hotel reservations, as
47 a number of attendees of this meeting discovered they had not yet registered upon arrival.

48 **TOMC / Canadian MUTCD Report**

49 Scott Wainwright and Nicole Jackson have been participating in Canadian MUTCD activities,
50 and Wainwright gave a brief presentation on recent TAC / TOMC actions. This presentation is
51 attached.

52 **FHWA Report**

53 Kevin Sylvester of the FHWA MUTCD Team updated attendees on team activities. Marty
54 Calawa and Duane Thomas have left FHWA. Tasks have been reassigned among the
55 remaining members and these assignments may be seen on the FHWA MUTCD website. The
56 current Administration is expressing a high level of support for the MUTCD. The 11th Edition
57 adoption deadline is January 18, and the FHWA MUTCD Team is working with states on
58 adoption. All states seem to be making good progress. Twenty states are expected to adopt the
59 national MUTCD as-is, ten states are expected to develop state-specific MUTCDs, and the rest

are expected to adopt with a state supplement or similar document. The process has identified many future topics for research and investigation. A rulemaking on technical corrections to the MUTCD to address most known errors is on the Federal regulatory agenda, and is in final review. Some items may be deferred until a subsequent rulemaking. The next release on the Standard Highway Signs and Markings document is expected soon, with a final compiled document later in 2026. FHWA is converting to a new platform for information technology, which may affect the MUTCD website. The website may be unavailable for a brief period during the conversion. There is no new information on PROWAG adoption - the US Department of Justice must act to adopt prior to USDOT rulemaking. USDOT has a renewed focus on safety, with the current focus on non-freeway arterials, with the MUTCD having a role in this. The MUTCD Team was not able to attend the Annual Meeting due to administrative issues, but FHWA recognizes and appreciates the importance of NCUTCD's efforts.

A Council member asked if TCs should seek FHWA input or concurrence on proposals in process. Both Sylvester and Hawkins emphasized that the NCUTCD process is independent of FHWA. NCUTCD should bring forward to FHWA what the National Committee sees as important. The relationship between NCUTCD and FHWA is important in that it helps NCUTCD members understand the Federal process and regulatory issues, and allows the FHWA MUTCD Team to understand the issues behind our proposals. The members of NCUTCD devote tens of thousands of professional hours to our work at no charge to FHWA.

Another Council member asked about changes to the handbook on MUTCD experimentation. The change in Presidential Administrations suspended this work, but may be a future priority.

A technical member noted that long-established state laws require some variances in traffic control practices in those states. Sylvester replied that the national MUTCD contains requirements for some devices and treatments, and at the national level does not incorporate state-specific variances.

A sponsor representative asked about state adoption and substantial compliance issues. Sylvester noted that if there are issues with state adoption after January 18, FHWA will work with the state(s) toward adoption, but financial penalties are unlikely.

Sylvester closed the report by thanking Hawkins for his successful term as Chair and for NCUTCD's work on the MUTCD. Hawkins replied that he has appreciated the level of communication provided by the MUTCD Team, including clarity in where rulemaking/administrative or technical/research issues might be impacting revisions.

Executive Board Report

Chair Hawkins noted that when he became Chair the Board met twice per year in person at meetings. The Board now meets virtually a minimum of four times per year. The Board membership has been rather stable during Chair Hawkins' term. Some past meetings were lengthy to address substantial changes in NCUTCD strategy, initiatives, bylaws, and operating procedures.

At a special meeting on September 8, 2025, The Board approved a new Operating Procedure on financial support for meetings, but separate from the fiscal support from NCUTCD's sponsor organizations. Without this added support, the draft budgets showed significant deficits. The

Board also approved budgets for fiscal year 2026 and the 2026 Midyear Meeting, which had been deferred pending the OP for meeting support. The Board also approved a renewal of the Executive Secretary contract.

On October 29, 2025, the Board held its fall meeting and received reports on activities and approved new technical members.

On December 29, 2025, the Board held its annual meeting, approved additional technical members, approved joint task force leadership appointments, and reappointed technical members for 2-year terms until January 2028. During the review of technical members, a number of persons were identified who had not attended a NCUTCD meeting for more than two or more years, and they were dropped from membership, resigned, or requested to attend this meeting or be removed. Technical members must commit to attending in-person meetings or face non-renewal. At the December meeting a CPA presented a review of NCUTCD's finances and reported that all transactions were in order and documented, but recommended that operating procedures be developed for improved fiscal oversight. OP(s) on fiscal oversight will be drafted and voted on by the Board in spring 2026.

Chair Hawkins asked Board members to stand and recognized each individually.

Election of Officers

Chair Hawkins outlined the electoral process to attendees. Only the 41 current seated Council members are eligible to vote. Lee Billingsley gave the Nominating Committee report. The Nominating Committee consists of Billingsley as chair, Lee Austin, Rick Campbell, Kathy Falk and Ryan Lancaster. The committee has nominated Neil Boudreau and Jonathan Upchurch for Chair, Bill Lambert for Vice Chair, Bryan Katz for Research Chair, and Monica Suter for Treasurer. Lambert, Katz, and Suter are incumbents. Hawkins is not running for re-election. Hawkins thanked the Nominating Committee and discharged the committee.

Each candidate for Chair made a 5-minute presentation to the Council and attendees, listing their experience, goals, and plans for NCUTCD's future. After the presentations, ballots were distributed to Council members, with Hawkins noting that half the ballots had one Chair candidate's name listed first, while the other half of the ballots had the other candidate's name first. The Tellers Committee collected the completed ballots.

Recess

The Council session recessed from 9:42 to 10:05 AM EST as ballots were counted by the Tellers Committee.

Announcements

Research Chair Katz announced that a Research Committee meeting will be held at 5 pm tonight. He stated that the meeting will run until 6:30 pm, with several presentation on research results and an overview of the research process. Katz announced that the third issue of the Journal on Traffic Control Device Research has been published at ncutcdjournal.org, and thanked Chair Hawkins for his support of the Journal.

Lee Austin announced that there will be a walking tour of Arlington starting in the Doubletree lobby at 6:30 pm and ending at Highline RxR.

Election of Officers (continued)

Chair Hawkins thanked George Butzer and Scott Wainwright for serving as the Tellers Committee. Hawkins thanked both Upchurch and Boudreau for their willingness to serve as Chair. Hawkins then announced the voting results. All uncontested officers were re-elected unanimously. The vote count for Chair was 29 for Boudreau and 12 for Upchurch. All officers will begin their 2026-2028 terms at the close of this meeting. Campbell moved and Lipton seconded a motion to destroy the ballots, which passed unanimously. Boudreau made a brief statement thanking Upchurch for his service to NCUTCD and thanking Council for the opportunity to serve as Chair.

Announcements (continued)

At the close of the meeting, attendees should turn in their name badges at the registration desk for use at future meetings. Name tents for Council members should be returned at the end of each session as well for reuse.

There will still be a limit of one proposed change per TC/JC/JTF for the spring 2026 cycle, with a possibility for a second item if justified. There is still a significant backlog of prior proposals that have not been brought to Council. Sending fewer proposals to sponsors results in higher-quality reviews.

Chair's Farewell

Chair Hawkins spoke to the Council and attendees about his more than three decades with NCUTCD, noting the evolution of the organization over that time. When Gene started with NCUTCD in the early 1990s, proposed content was presented using photocopies, transparencies, and erasable markers, and the pace of change was much slower than today. Technology has improved greatly under his tenure. Gene is only the 4th Chair in NCUTCD's 46-year history, carrying on a strong tradition. At the start of his term, Hawkins had listed 10 goals, and NCUTCD has accomplished most of them. There are more new and younger members, with nearly half the attendees having joined NCUTCD under Gene's term.

Chair Hawkins gave his thanks to his employers and their support, including TTI, Texas A&M, and Kittelson. He thanked the past Chairs for their advice and support, including Dick Luettich, Ken Kobetsky, and Lee Billingsley. He thanked the current and prior Executive Secretaries for their assistance and support. He thanked others in NCUTCD such as Paul Carlson and Mike Gostovich for their support and friendship. And he gave sincere and heartfelt thanks to his wife Kathe for her steadfast love and support, stating he learned more from her than from some research.

Hawkins offered advice to NCUTCD members. As a Texan, he observed that what he finds admirable might be seen as offensive by others. He cited Davy Crockett's maxim of "Be sure you're right, then go ahead." Be decisive, even it might initially be seen as unpopular. To be noticed and make a mark in the profession, accomplish something that no one else has yet done - in Gene's case it was collecting and making available all prior MUTCDs all the way back to the 1st Edition in 1935, and serving as a historian for the MUTCD. He noted that disagreement is good, as long as all can get along after the issue is resolved.

Hawkins recognized NCUTCD's long-time association with AASHTO and its traffic engineering committees, including 40+ years of joint summer meetings. He recognized the value of virtual

communication, but emphasized it is no substitute for regular in-person meetings. He noted that engineers and especially NCUTCD members can be unique for their desire to want to "fix things", but he recommended keeping traffic control simple and not too complicated, looking at situations from the road user's viewpoint and not just as an engineer. Political issues are encroaching on the MUTCD and will have greater impact in the future, and members need to be aware of the implications. And the organization needs to continuously develop leaders who can step up and continue to guide the important work of NCUTCD.

In the future, Hawkins plans to remain involved but at the technical member level, "keeping his mouth shut" in NCUTCD discussions but possibly speaking out using a blog or other public forums on issues he's withheld comment on while Chair. He said he'll "still be a Type A personality", but focused instead on other personal goals outside engineering. He plans to spend time with his family and grandchildren, perhaps writing a book so they can learn from his history. He stated he felt pride, relief, and satisfaction of a job well done as Chair. He thanked God for his faith and said he was willing to reach out to anyone seeking spiritual support. He closed by saying that he was most looking forward to sitting with Kathe in their back yard with good wine and good talk.

The audience recognized Chair Hawkins with a sustained standing ovation. Incoming Chair Boudreau and Executive Secretary Moeur presented Hawkins with a plaque recognizing his term as Chair and thanking him for his service.

TC/JC/JTF Reports and Presentation of Proposed Changes

The morning session was ahead of schedule, so time was available to take action on proposed changes.

Revised proposed changes for consideration during today's session were e-mailed to Council members on Wednesday evening for review and use at today's session. These proposed changes were sent to sponsor organizations in fall 2025 or earlier for review, comments received, and the proposed changes were revised in response to those comments. The versions distributed Wednesday evening are of an interim nature and not for wider distribution.

Guide and Motorist Information Sign Technical Committee

GMITC Chair Jason Hyatt brought forward the following item.

25B-GMI-01

Hyatt moved and Katz seconded approval of 25B-GMI-01. A vote was called, and passed unanimously.

Connected and Automated Vehicle Joint Task Force

CAV JTF Chair Roxane Mukai presented a report on joint task force activities. The JTF met on Wednesday morning January 7 with 17 voting members, 4 alternate members, 3 non-voting members, and 19 visitors. CAV is working with Markings TC on proposals for revised line widths, reviewing topics, and scheduling virtual presentations and meetings for spring 2026.

25B-CAV-01

Mukai moved and Carlson seconded approval of 25B-CAV-01. A vote was called, and passed unanimously.

241 **Temporary Traffic Control Technical Committee**

242 TTC TC Chair Neil Boudreau brought forward the following items.

243 **25B-TTC-01**

244 Boudreau moved and Lancaster seconded approval of 25B-TTC-01. Boudreau noted that the
245 TC "had a blast" developing this proposal. After a brief discussion, a vote was called, and
246 passed unanimously.

247 **25B-TTC-02**

248 Boudreau moved and Lancaster seconded approval of 25B-TTC-02. Cynecki moved to amend
249 the second sentence in 6G.10 Guidance new paragraph 06a from Guidance to Support, Suter
250 seconded and a vote was called, which was approved unanimously. Lipton observed the final
251 paragraph in the Discussion seemed to be incomplete. This paragraph should have been
252 displayed as added after sponsor comments, but Chair Hawkins ruled that subsequent
253 correction of this paragraph by TTC as editorial and not requiring Council action. Upchurch
254 recommended adding the word "sign" after "(W20-2a)" in new Section 6H.37a paragraph 04 for
255 consistency, which was accepted. Ferrari asked why minimum sizes are omitted from Table 6I-
256 1. Boudreau replied that the TTC TC had evaluated this issue and that the listed conventional
257 road sizes are appropriate as minimums. Hyatt requested that all sign descriptions be revised
258 for uniformity with MUTCD practice. Chair Hawkins ruled this to be an editorial change but
259 directed TTC to complete this editing prior to submittal to FHWA. Bell noted that new 6H.37a
260 Support paragraph 07 uses the term "may", which should make the paragraph an Option. This
261 was ruled by Chair Hawkins as editorial and accepted. In Section 6G.10 paragraph 06, Ouadah
262 suggested changing "signs" to "sign", but Boudreau did not accept as the statement refers to
263 more than one sign. In new Section 6H.37a paragraph 07, Alpert noted that the word "pertinent"
264 is not used elsewhere in the MUTCD. Falk suggested substituting "a" for "pertinent", which was
265 accepted. Kautz asked if more information was needed relating to plaque placement in Figure
266 6I-2. Boudreau replied that this was evaluated in TTC TC, and that no added information was
267 needed. A vote was called on the motion as amended, and passed unanimously.

268 **Recess**

269 The meeting was recessed at 11:59 AM EST. Maximum session attendance for the day was
270 estimated at 250.

271 **General Session - Call to Order**
272 Chair Hawkins reconvened the General Session on Friday, January 9, 2026 at 7:59 AM Eastern
273 Standard Time. He opened with a moment of silent prayer and reflection.

274 **Safety Briefing**
275 Stoffels presented a safety briefing to all attendees.

276 **Attendance and Determination of Quorum**

Sponsor	Voting Members	Sponsor	Voting Members
AAA	Michelle Schofner	IACP	Rick Campbell
AAR	Tony Bellamy	IBTTA	Shannon Bonilla
AASHTO	Meg Pirkle, Chair	IMSA	Paul Ciupa
	Neil Boudreau	ITE	Kathy Falk, Chair
	Jody Colvin		Ahmed Aburahmah
	Jason Hyatt		Michael Cynecki
	Bill Lambert		Eagan Foster
	Ryan Lancaster		Gene Hawkins
	Sara Peters		Neal Hawkins
	Lee Roadifer		Marc Jacobson
AHUA	Jonathan Upchurch		Roxane Mukai
APBP	Jeremy Chrzan	ITS America	Paul Carlson
APTA	Gary Howard	LAB	Rock Miller
APWA	Steve Oliver, Chair	NACE	Lee Billingsley, Chair
	Ralph Norwood		Tim Haagsma
	Monica Suter		Mark Nahra
AREMA	Adam Gerhardstein	NACTO	Eli Ferrari
ARTBA	Tim Lang		Jay Jackson
ASCE	Robert Bryson		Garry Ford ¹
ATSSA	Eric Perry	NSC	Dan Magri
HFR	Bryan Katz		

277 **Honorary Members**

George Butzer Scott Wainwright

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279 ¹ Lee Austin replaced Garry Ford at 10:05 AM EST

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281 Executive Secretary Moeur stated a full complement of 41 voting members was present, along
282 with two Honorary Members.

283 **Chair's Comments**

284 Chair Hawkins stated 20 persons attended the New Member Orientation session on Wednesday
285 morning.

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287 The 12th Edition visioning working group has submitted a draft report with ideas for updating the
288 MUTCD for the next edition.

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290 The transition process to the new NCUTCD Chair will take place over the next several days and
291 weeks. Messages sent to the Chair will be forwarded to Neil Boudreau, and Gene will be
292 reachable at his Texas A&M e-mail address after he steps down as Chair.

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Bicycle Technical Committee

BTC Chair Rock Miller presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 27 members and 9 visitors, and on Thursday January 8 with 26 members and 12 visitors. The BTC is working with Edit Committee, Regulatory & Warning Sign TC, and Signals TC on upcoming proposed changes.

25B-BIK-01:

Miller moved and Chrzan seconded approval of 25B-BIK-01. Cynecki noted some minor edits, which were accepted. Lancaster suggested moving school signs into a figure separate from other warning signs, but no formal amendment was offered. A vote was called and passed unanimously.

Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee

RRLRT TC Vice Chair JoNette Kuhnau presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 39 members and 9 visitors, and on Thursday, January 8 with 38 members and 10 visitors. The TC received reports from FRA and task forces, worked on proposed changes from the fall 2025 review cycle, and proposed changes to be sent out in upcoming review cycles.

25B-RR-01:

Kuhnau moved and Campbell seconded approval of 25B-RR-01. After a brief discussion, a vote was called and passed 40-0-1.

Pedestrian Joint Task Force

Pedestrian JTF Chair Randy McCourt presented a report on joint task force activities. The joint task force met on Wednesday January 7 with 16 members, 3 alternate members, 9 non-voting members, and 44 visitors. The JTF is working with Signals TC on upcoming proposed changes. There were presentations on lighting and pedestrian safety and on tactile markings.

25B-PED-01:

Cynecki moved and Miller seconded approval of 25B-PED-01. McCourt noted that based on sponsor comments the proposal has been modified to also add revisions to 1C.02 Definition 219 on shared-use paths. He also stated that this proposal is one of several current and future proposals to address micromobility in the MUTCD. Hyatt moved and Lancaster seconded an amendment to revise the second sentence in 1C.02 Definition 219 to "In addition to bicyclists, shared-use paths are also used by pedestrians, skaters, and other authorized motorized and non-motorized users." After a brief discussion, a vote on the amendment was called and passed unanimously. After additional discussion, Campbell moved and Bryson seconded to table the motion, which passed 31-10-0.

334 **Railroad and Light Rail Transit Technical Committee (continued)**

335 **25B-RR-02:**

336 Kuhnau moved and Campbell seconded approval of 25B-RR-01. Wainwright moved and Bryson
337 seconded an amendment to delete the wording "Examples of" from the title of Figure 8D-3.
338 Billingsley raised a point of order, citing Operating Procedure I-C which states Honorary
339 Members cannot make motions. amendment is out of order. Bryson then moved the same
340 amendment and Lancaster seconded. After a brief discussion, a vote on the amendment was
341 called and failed with 16 votes in favor. Bonilla noted the Option header was incorrectly deleted
342 prior to Section 8D.15 paragraph 7 and should remain, which was accepted. After an extensive
343 discussion, Campbell moved and Lambert seconded a motion to call the question, which passed
344 40-0-1. A vote was held on the proposal as amended, and failed with 26 votes in favor (*all*
345 *recommended changes require a 2/3 majority of all Council delegates which is a minimum of*
346 *affirmative 28 votes per Section 6.5 of the NCUTCD Bylaws*).

347 **Bicycle Technical Committee (continued):**

348 **25A-BIK-06:**

349 Miller moved and Suter seconded approval of 25A-BIK-06. Nahra noted an extraneous "84" in
350 9F.03 paragraph 01, which was deleted. A vote was called and passed unanimously.

351 **25A-BIK-05:**

352 Miller moved and Suter seconded approval of 25A-BIK-05. Lancaster moved and Roadifer
353 seconded an amendment to Section 9E.11 paragraph 10 to delete the first sentence of that
354 paragraph and move the added content to the front of the paragraph. After a brief discussion, a
355 vote on the amendment was called and passed unanimously. Carlson stated the arrow design
356 was not reviewed by Markings TC. Miller replied that the arrows were added to the 11th Edition
357 by FHWA and will be in the upcoming Standard Highway Signs and Markings reference. After
358 additional discussion, a vote was held on the proposal as amended, and passed 40-0-1.

359 **Recess**

360 The Council session recessed from 9:50 to 10:05 AM EST.

361 **Edit Committee**

362 NCUTCD Vice-Chair and Edit Committee Chair Bill Lambert presented a report on committee
363 activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 13 members and 13 visitors. Vice
364 Chair Lambert recognized that several NCUTCD members, including Edit Committee members,
365 were reported on, mentioned in, or were published in the most recent edition of ITE Journal. The
366 committee worked on proposals, and a new item on characteristics of traffic control devices.
367 Lambert also thanked Chair Hawkins for his service.

368 **25A-EDT-02:**

369 Upchurch presented the proposal. Upchurch moved and Lambert seconded approval of 25A-
370 EDT-02. After some discussion, a vote was called and failed with 20 votes in favor.

371 **Signals Technical Committee**

372 Signals TC Chair John Hibbard presented a report on committee activities. The committee met
373 on Wednesday, January 7 with 39 members and 11 visitors, and on Thursday, January 8 with
374 39 members and 15 visitors. There was a presentation on bicycle signals and signs. The TC is
375 extensively revising the proposed change on midblock pedestrian signals, which will be issued

as a new proposed change. Signals TC reviewed prior proposals and are holding work on midblock pedestrian signals pending research results from Florida. Signals is working with Bicycle TC and Edit Committee on upcoming proposed changes.

Regulatory and Warning Sign Technical Committee

RWSTC Chair Erika Lindeberg presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 31 members and 10 visitors, and on Thursday, January 8 with 31 members and 8 visitors. RWSTC's long-time secretary Bob Seyfried is stepping down, with Sonya LaGrand and Wes Pierce stepping up jointly into the secretary role. RWSTC is reviewing the comments on 25B-RW-01 on lane reduction signing. There was a presentation on a research study on the use of the 85th percentile in speed zone setting and from FHWA on pooled fund sign research. RWSTC is working with GMI, TTC, RRLRT, Bicycle and Edit Committees on proposals with signals-related content, and will submit four items for research. Additional task forces will be created to address identified issues.

Guide and Motorist Information Sign Technical Committee

GMITC Chair Hyatt presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 32 members and 8 visitors, and on Thursday, January 8 with 32 members and 8 visitors. There was a presentation from FHWA on pooled fund sign research. GMI is working on a number of proposals for future action.

Markings Technical Committee

Markings TC Chair Paul Carlson presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 31 members and 16 visitors signed in, and on Thursday, January 8 with 32 members and 12 visitors. The TC recognized departing members Mark Nahra and Dave Woodin. MTC is working with TTC on proposed changes to add orange markings, and with Ped JTF on tactile surfaces. There were presentations on safety impacts of marking width, speed impacts of center line and edge line markings on low-speed roadways, and speed reduction markings for horizontal curves. MTC received task force reports and will be creating additional task forces.

Temporary Traffic Control Technical Committee

TTC Chair Boudreau presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Wednesday, January 7 with 46 members and 10 visitors, and on Thursday, January 8 with 48 members and 8 visitors. TTC is working with Markings TC on upcoming proposals on orange TTC markings. There were presentations on the ISEA/ANSI 107 standard on high-visibility apparel and on aligning the MUTCD with the FHWA Traffic Incident Management Handbook based on a NTSB recommendation. TTC is working with Signals TC on how to best incorporate Interim Approval IA-23 on residential driveway temporary signals into the MUTCD. TTC is also working on several other draft proposed changes for future action.

Roundabout Joint Task Force

Roundabout JTF Chair Scott Zehngraft presented a report on joint task force activities. The joint task force met on Wednesday morning January 7 with 14 voting members, 4 alternate members, 1 non-voting member, and 12 visitors. The JTF is working with RWSTC, Markings, and RRLRT on possible future proposed changes, and with Edit on the definition of a roundabout.

Rules of the Road Joint Task Force

ROR JTF Chair Ronnie Bell presented a report on joint task force activities. The JTF met on Wednesday, January 7 with 13 voting members, 5 alternate members, and 7 visitors. The ROR JTF also meets virtually on a monthly schedule. The JTF is still working on a mission statement and so members can better understand ROR's role in NCUTCD. ROR is working with Edit Committee on definitions, and identifying more items that need updating in the Rules. There will be multiple proposals for ROR updates as the scope is too large for one proposal.

Research Committee

Vice Chair of Research and Research Committee Chair Bryan Katz presented a report on committee activities. The committee met on Thursday, January 8 with 6 voting members, 11 non-voting members, and 28 visitors. The committee reviewed the TCD research process and identified potential topics. There were presentations on ongoing research and on studies published in the most recent Journal of Traffic Control Device Research.

Concluding Remarks

Chair Hawkins observed that this meeting was an "old school" NCUTCD meeting reflecting "the good and the bad", with several items passed, one tabled, and two not passing. Items that failed or tabled can be reviewed and possibly brought forward as a new proposal modified based on this meeting's experience and feedback. Gene again thanked NCUTCD for the experience of chairing the organization, and said he was looking forward to, in Texas A&M terms, being a "non-reg" again.

Adjournment

There being no other business for the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM EST. Maximum session attendance for the day was estimated at 200.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. Moeur, PE
Executive Secretary



New Members 2026 Annual Meeting

Name	Organization	Tech Committee	Sponsor
Jeremy Chrzan	Toole Design	Bicycle	APBP
Meiwu An	Illinois DOT	Reg & Warn Sign	
Logan Baker	Kentucky Transp Cabinet	Markings	
Katie Belt	toXcel	Markings	
Joe Gustafson	Washington County MN	Markings	
Sam Harris	Georgia DOT	Bicycle	
Tiffany Kautz	Minnesota DOT	Temporary Traf Ctrl	
Irfan Rasul	Sound Transit	Railroad & Lt Rail	
Jon Re	Michigan DOT	Guide & Info Sign	
Jacob Renick	Mississippi DOT	Signals	
Billy Roberts	Wyoming DOT	Signals	
Craig Schulz	Pexco	Temporary Traf Ctrl	
Joshua Wolfgram	Mead & Hunt	Bicycle	



June 2026 Midyear Meeting

- **Mobile, Alabama**
- **June 24-26, 2026**





June 2026 Midyear Meeting

- **Host Hotel**
 - *Renaissance Riverview*
 - **Affiliated with Marriott**
 - **Site of 2008 Midyear Meeting**
 - **Conference Rate:**
 - **\$129_{+tx} GSA**
 - **\$199_{+tx} Conf**





Mobile Convention Center

- Site of meeting sessions
- Adjacent to Renaissance Riverview
 - *Connected by walkway*





Mobile Convention Center

- **Spacious meeting rooms**
- **Good amenities**





Things to Do and See



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Make Memories in Mobile



Activities of the Canadian Traffic Operations & Management Committee (TOMC)

January 2026 Update



W. Scott Wainwright, P.E., PTOE
Proprietor
Wainwright Traffic Consulting Services, LLC
(FHWA Retired)

TOMC Meeting Fall 2025



- **Quebec City, QC – Oct. 3-4, 2025**
- **Attended by Scott Wainwright & Nicole Jackson**
- **Reported on NCUTCD activities**
- **Answered questions, participated in discussions**

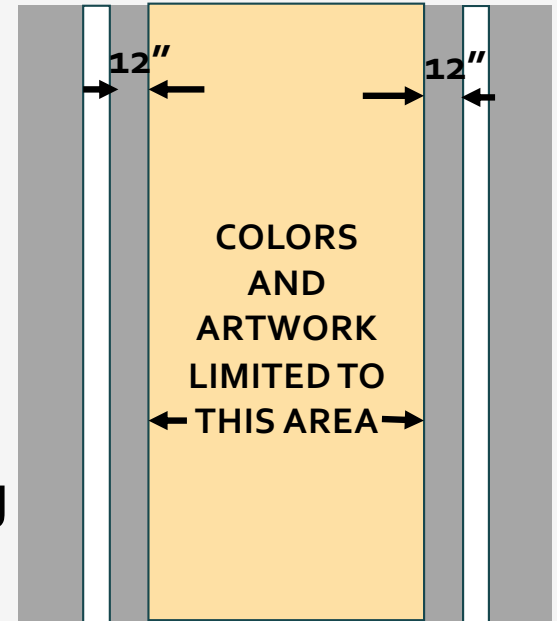
Decorative Crosswalk Markings

- Canadian research completed 2023
- Awaiting results of FHWA research (in progress since 2020)---still not available
- 11th edition has some new material on topic
- Current MUTCD-C doesn't address topic
- TOMC decided can't wait any longer for FHWA report, due to urgent need for uniformity & standards in Canada
- Adopted new language for MUTCD-C



Decorative Crosswalk Markings

- Color and/or artwork specifically allowed within crosswalk under certain conditions
- Shall only be used within twin white parallel lines crosswalks
- Decorative elements shall be separated from each of the two white lines by at least 12 inches (300 mm)
- Shall not be used:
 - with zebra or ladder crosswalks
 - on roads with posted speed limit >30 mph
 - in school areas or with school crosswalks
- Shall not be 3-D, shall not contain advertising words/symbols directed at vehicle operators



“Educational Awareness Reward Light”

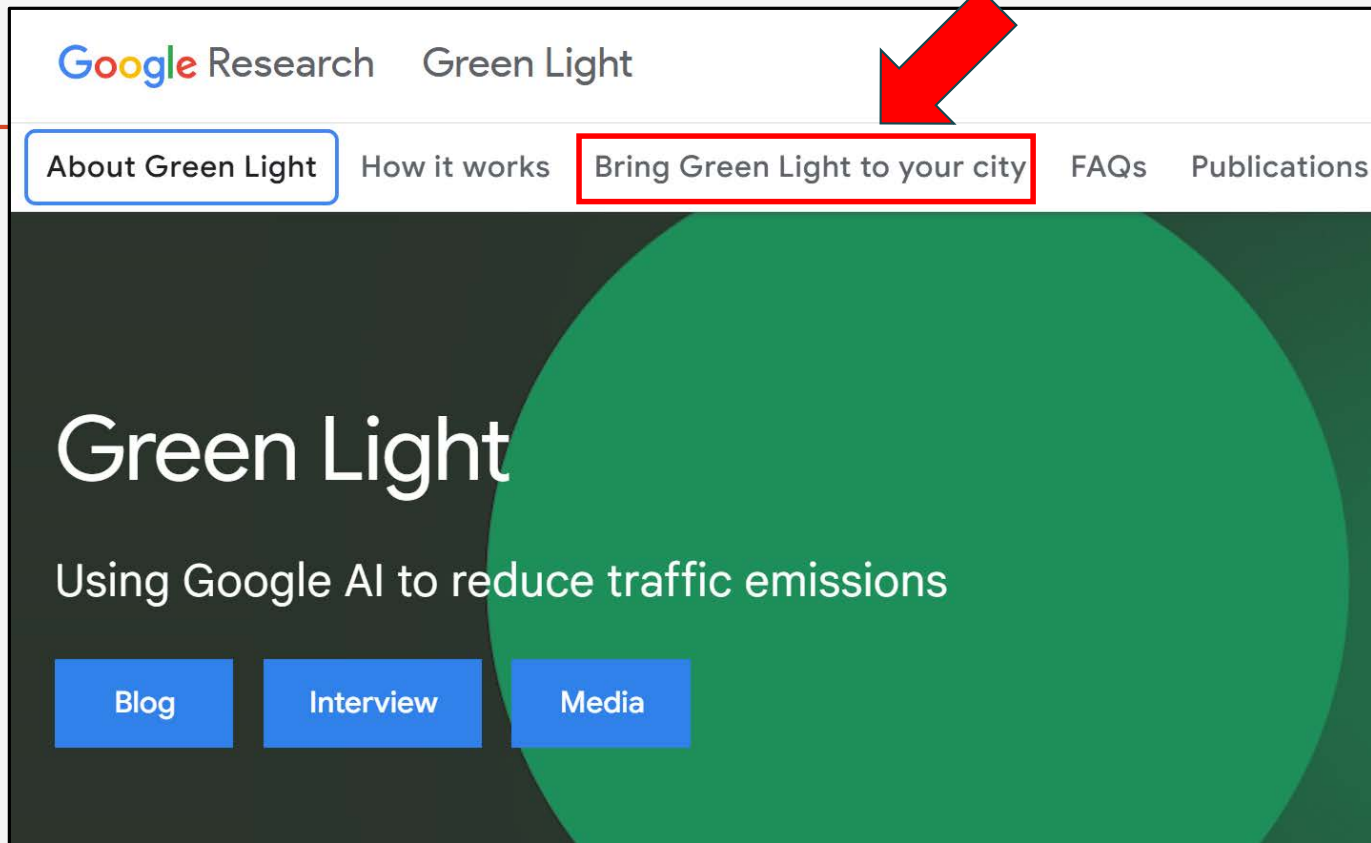


TOMC Action to Prohibit “Earl”

- Adopted new language for MUTCD-C
- Clarifies that traffic signals:
 - are intended to be for primary purpose of right of way allocation at intersections or other conflict points such as pedestrian crossings
 - shall not be installed for sole purpose of slowing traffic or to discourage or limit volumes on a specific route
 - may be designed to also have a secondary function of controlling speed, under certain limited conditions

Impact of Aging Population

- **Significant increases in % of population over age 65**
- **Expected to keep rising over next few decades**
- **Population aged 85 & over projected to triple over the next 40 years**
- **New pooled fund project initiated:**
- **“Synthesis of Practice to Adapt Traffic Control Devices for Aging Population”**
 - **Will suggest appropriate changes to MUTCD-C**



<https://sites.research.google/gr/greenlight/>

Next Meetings of TOMC

- **April 29, 2026 – Virtual**
- **October 2-3, 2026 – Winnipeg, Manitoba**





Thank You...

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