

TRANSITIONING TO SUSTAINABILITY

A Strategy for Developing Disaster Resistant Communities

SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

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TOOLS TO MANAGE AND SUSTAIN INTERCONNECTED COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS

What is Sustainability?

Sustainability refers to the capacity of something to endure. In ecology, it refers to biological systems' ability to remain diverse and productive over time. The traditional definition of sustainability calls for policies and strategies that meet society's present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Planning and coordinating community infrastructure systems today, will ensure a safer future!

We are pleased to invite Tribal Leaders, Tribal Program and Resource Managers, Transportation Planners, Infrastructure Support Agencies, and Community Members to a workshop entitled "**Transitioning to Sustainability.**" This workshop presents a suite of performance-based infrastructure renewal practices that provide strategies for developing sustainable, livable, and disaster resistant communities and ecosystems.

The practices covered in this interactive workshop enhance the quality of life, preserve local ecosystem integrity, promote coordinated infrastructure systems and promote the cultural identity of the community. Participants will be able to lead planning and implementation teams that will be able to help their communities be effective partners in proactive regional responses to global challenges, such as transportation planning, improvement of transportation safety, disaster response and recovery, economic competitiveness, public health, biodiversity and national security.

The one-day, interactive workshop is comprised of five topics:

1. "Visioning to Action" – practices that allow all community members to characterize desired future conditions for quality of life and environment;
2. Models and Forecasts – integrated community characterizations form the basis of management goals, performance measures, and more;
3. Infrastructure Ecology – use of ecological methods to assess interconnected infrastructure networks, and coordinate regulatory practices to support desired future conditions, reduce community vulnerability to disasters, reduce life cycle costs, and improve management of land use;
4. Collaborative Enterprise – create partnerships that improve the project quality and community outcomes, and that cut project delivery risks; and
5. Review Initiatives – discuss sources of inspiration and lessons learned.

The workshop is a joint product of the California/Nevada TTAP, FHWA, and the Western Regional Partnership.

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LOCATION

This conference will be conducted at the **Harrah's Rincon Casino and Resort, 777 Rincon Way, Valley Center, CA, 92082**. All individuals are responsible for their own lodging. The Harrah's Rincon is holding a block of rooms for this conference at a rate of \$89.00 (single/double), plus tax per room night, for participants per room night. A deposit equal to the first night's room rate including tax is required upon booking. Make your room reservations by **August 24, 2011** by calling **(800) 427-7247** and mention that you are with the **National Indian Justice Center, Group Reservation Code—S0901N**.

REGISTRATION

Registration is free but is limited. To register, please complete the form below for each person who will be attending and return it via mail, email or fax by August 29, 2011 to:

National Indian Justice Center

5250 Aero Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Phone: (707) 579-5507

Fax: (707) 579-9019

E-mail: tcoord@nijc.org



Registration for this event is also available online at: http://www.nijc.org/ttap_trans_safety.html.

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REGISTRATION FORM: Transitioning to Sustainability

Mr.____ Ms.____ Name:_____

Your Tribe: _____ Title: _____

Employer:_____

Address:_____

Street or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

Phone:_____ Fax:_____

E-mail:_____

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