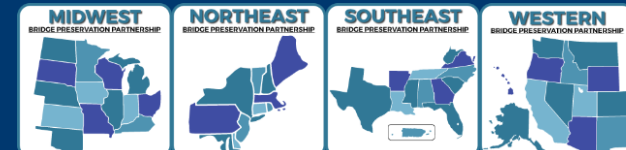


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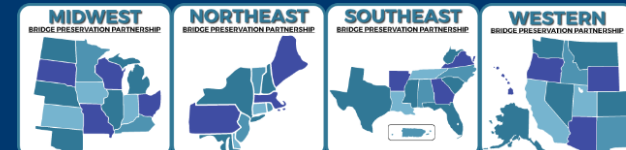
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# The Power of Regional Partnerships

- Regional Partnership Meetings
- Professional Peer Relationships
- Research Roadmap
- Bridge Video Library
- Bridge Preservation Blog
- Legislative Matters
- Training Materials

# AASHTO's Changing World



# TSP Rebranding

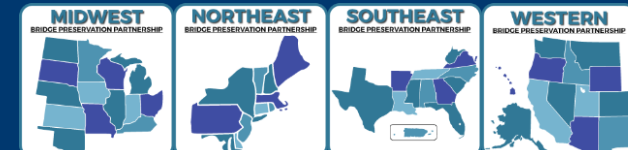
- AASHTO Technical Service Programs have been renamed
- New names better match TSP missions



# AASHTO and the Regional Partnerships – A “New” Relationship

- Not due to rebranding, but happened concurrently
- Strengthens the longtime beneficial relationship between AASHTO and the Regional Partnerships
- Recognizes and enhances respective strengths of each group
- AASHTO Preservation Management TSP membership benefits:
  - Access to Regional Partnership resources
  - Sponsored attendance at Regional Partnership events
- Partnership benefits delivered to TSP members through NCPP

# AASHTO Preservation Management Oversight Panel



# Preservation Management TSP Oversight

- Oversight Panel Meeting held yesterday
- Oversight Panel Membership:
  - Maintenance Committee (“the MaC”)
    - Host Committee for Preservation Management TSP
    - Host for Equipment Management TSP and Winter Weather Management TSP
  - Committee on Bridges and Structures
  - Subcommittee on Asset Management
  - Committee on Materials and Pavements
- Oversight Panel Liaisons



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**George Conner, Committee on Maintenance  
Chair, Committee on Maintenance  
Chair, Oversight Panel  
Deputy Director - Operations  
Alabama Department of Transportation**



**Brad Darr, Committee on Maintenance  
Chair, Maintenance and Operations TWG  
Chair, Winter Weather Management TSP  
State Maintenance Engineer  
North Dakota Department of Transportation**



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**Graham Bettis, Committee on Bridges and Structures**  
State Bridge Engineer  
Texas Department of Transportation

**Edgardo Block, Committee on Performance Based Management**  
Transportation Supervising Engineer  
Connecticut Department of Transportation



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**Ed Lutgen**  
State Bridge Engineer  
Minnesota Department of Transportation



**Eric Christie**  
State Maintenance Engineer  
Alabama Department of Transportation

# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**Herbert McDowell, Committee on Maintenance**  
Bridge Design  
Idaho Transportation Department



**Larry Ilg**  
Quality Assurance Engineer  
Oregon Department of Transportation



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**John Senger**  
Bureau Chief of Research  
Illinois Department of Transportation



**Eric Thibodeau**  
Pavement Management Chief  
New Hampshire Department of Transportation

# Preservation Management Oversight Panel



**Matt Haubrich, Committee on Performance Based Management, Subcommittee on Asset Management Chair**  
Transportation Asset Management Administrator  
Iowa DOT



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel Liaisons



**Kelly Senger, Emulsion Task Force Chair**  
Chief Chemist  
Illinois Department of Transportation

**Adam Phipps, APWA Representative**  
Executive Director  
City Of Denver Department of Transportation  
and Infrastructure



**Tim Cunningham, EMTSP Chair**  
Equipment Engineer  
Kansas Department of Transportation



# Preservation Management Oversight Panel Administration and Liaisons



**Glenn Page**  
Program Director for Project Delivery  
AASHTO



**Dennis Palmer**  
Program Manager, Traffic  
Engineering and Maintenance



**Thomas Van**  
Federal Highway Administration  
Office of Infrastructure

# Preservation Management Oversight Panel

## AASHTO Contractor



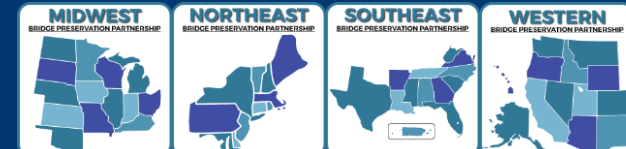
**Bouzid Choubane**  
Director  
National Center for Pavement Preservation



**Patte Hahn**  
Administrative Manager  
NCP

# Philosophical Pillars of Preservation

According to George 😊



# Preservation

- Preservation is:
  - Protecting infrastructure investment
  - Enabling assets to function as intended and as needed.
  - Extending useful life beyond original intent and expectations
- Preservation is necessary and important.
- It is becoming more important every day.

# Preservation

- Preservation projects are rarely grandiose, large, complex, or attention grabbing.
- Preservation actions often seem minor, insignificant, routine, boring, plain, dull, pedestrian, tiresome, tedious, stodgy, monotonous, mundane ...
- An effective preservation program:
  - is difficult and challenging
  - requires discipline, focus, attention to detail, commitment, tenacity, problem solving, and passion
  - is NOT for the faint of heart

# Preservation

- Requires long term vision and planning
- Requires a consistent focus on long-term outcomes
- Requires flexibility and ability to adapt
- Expect changes, setbacks, and obstacles.
- No plan or program **ever** survives unchanged



# Preservation

- Setbacks and changes are a certainty
- No matter how far your plan is knocked off course, keep your focus on the long-term goals
- Figure out your new starting point
- Chart a new path from the changed starting point towards the long-term goal
- Navigate along the new path
- Be mentally ready for the next set of changes

# Preservation

- “Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.” – Theodore Roosevelt
- What you do is important and necessary.
- **What you do is worth doing.**
- Whether your successes are many or few, your work is important and serves the public good.
- Perseverance is essential for Preservation.
- “Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.” – Arthur Ashe

# Take Advantage of This Meeting

- A national meeting uniquely focused on preservation
- Strong technical presentations
- Interaction with industry
- Access to a peer network that is well ... peerless



# Make These Committments

- Be
  - Present, Engaged, Attentive
- Give
  - Share your story – the successes, failures, and struggles
- Take
  - Something Back and Use It

# Thank You

