An Introduction to
Transit Operations Planning

April 24 – 27, 2006
Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR)
University of South Florida (USF)
Tampa, Florida

Presented by the Institute for Transit Operations Planning

in partnership with the
Florida Department of Transportation
Introduction to Transit Operations Planning

Dates: APRIL 24 – 27, 2006  
Location: Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at USF, Tampa, Florida

Instructors from the Institute for Transit Operations Planning, in partnership with the Florida Department of Transportation, will conduct a 3.5-day training seminar entitled “An Introduction to Transit Operations Planning.” The seminar will run from April 24—27, 2006 at the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) located at the University of South Florida (USF) in Tampa. This course is for Florida agencies only.

This course will cover the following topics:

1. Service Area and Route Characteristics  
2. Measures and Standards  
3. Data Collection  
4. Service Analysis  
5. Service Improvement Concepts  
6. Headway Development and Blocking  
7. Scheduling  
8. Run Cutting and Rostering  
9. Cost Estimation  
10. Demand and Revenue Estimation  
11. Service Change Implementation  
12. Transit Level of Service

Purpose of the Course

This course is a solid introduction and refresher to Transit Operations Planning. It is designed as an introductory or refresher course for professionals in planning, marketing, scheduling and operations. It is taught by “hands-on” instructors with over 60 years of combined transit experience. It has attracted in attendance more than 2,800 transit professionals from over 200 transit systems, MPOs, federal agencies, state DOTs, and local governments.

Transit operations planning is broadly defined as a collection of activities which together assure that transit services are cost-effectively provided to meet the short-term mobility needs of a community. The specific objectives of this course are as follows:

- To introduce a service planning and evaluation framework; and,
- To teach the concepts and analytical techniques needs for service planning.

The course was developed with guidance from an Advisory Panel of experts. Its members represent transit operators, planning agencies and professional organizations. The course was formerly sponsored by the Federal Transit Administration.
How to Register (Florida Agencies Only)

If you interested in registering for this course, please contact Lisa Maitland at maitland@cutr.usf.edu or 813-974-6423.

If you have questions, please feel free to call Lisa Maitland (813-974-6423) or Victoria Perk (813-974-7327) at the Center for Urban Transportation Research.

Please register early if you wish to be accepted for attendance. The class is limited to 20 registrants; based on past experience, the class will be filled.

Course Location:

Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR)
University of South Florida (USF)
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Hotel Information:

Embassy Suites – Tampa USF
3705 Spectrum Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33620

Group Rate - $99.00 per night – To get this group rate you must make your reservation by March 31, 2006.

Please contact the hotel directly by calling 813-977-7066 and ask for the Reservations Department – identify yourself as part of the CUTR I-TOP Course.

Three Convenient Ways to Register for the course:

By Phone:
Contact Lisa Maitland at 813-974-6423 or Suncom 574-6423

By Fax:
To Lisa Maitland’s attention at 813-974-5168

By E-Mail:
maitland@cutr.usf.edu
Program Information: Contact Lisa Maitland at CUTR, 813-974-6423 or maitland@cutr.usf.edu or Victoria Perk at CUTR, 813-974-7327 or perk@cutr.usf.edu

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Course Hours: Day 1, 2, & 3 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
               Day 4 – 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lodging: A block of rooms has been reserved for $99 (plus tax) per night under the group name CUTR I-TOP Course at the Embassy Suites Hotel located on the USF campus at 3705 Spectrum Blvd. Individual reservations must be received by the Embassy Suites Hotel no later than March 31, 2006. Please call 813-977-7066.

Deadline: Registration deadline for the course is April 17, 2006. (As noted above hotel booking deadline is March 31, 2006). Class is limited to 20 people and is expected to be filled. There is no registration at the door.

Software: The Florida Transit Information System (FTIS) software will be distributed to participants.

Note: Please advise us at registration if you require special accommodations. Requests will be kept confidential. We reserve the right to cancel the workshop due to insufficient enrollment. Before making nonrefundable airline ticket purchases, contact our office.