

Beyond the Gas Tax – Agenda

A Symposium on Funding Future Transportation Needs

October 7, 2008

The Martha Eddy Room in the Art and Home Center

The State Fair Grounds, Syracuse, New York

12:00-1:00 PM

Luncheon Reception
In the Empire Room

- A time for attendees to talk with the speakers and panelists

1:00-1:20 PM

Welcoming Remarks

- Astrid C. Glynn, Commissioner, New York State Department of Transportation
- Robert (Buz) Paaswell, Ph.D., Director, University Transportation Research Center

1:20 – 2:00 PM

Keynote Address

- Emil Frankel: Director of Transportation Policy,
National Transportation Policy Project, Bipartisan Policy Center:
Providing a Sustainable Transportation System – Meeting the Challenge

2:00 – 3:15 PM

Defining the Problem

- Allison L. C. de Cerreño, Ph.D., Director, Rudin Center for Transportation Policy and Management: Overview of Transportation Needs and Funding
- Jack Basso, AASHTO: The Federal Transportation Revenue Situation and Options to Address It
- Mary Ann Crotty, Macro Associates:
The Role of the Gas Tax Past and Future
- Jim Calpin, Merrill Lynch:
Perspective of Financial Community on Transportation Funding
- Richard Drake, Program Manager, Transportation and Power Systems, NYSERDA:
Tying Together Transportation and Energy Policy

3:15 – 3:30 PM

Break

3:30 – 5:00 PM

Options Beyond
the Gas Tax

- Ken Orski, Editor, Innovation Briefs: Overview of Funding Strategies
- Jonathan Peters, Ph.D., College of Staten Island, City University of New York:
Examples Next Door – Experiences of Pennsylvania and New Jersey
- Asha Weinstein Agrawal, Director, MTI National Transportation Finance Center:
California's Experience with Financing Options Beyond the Gas Tax
- Frank Mauro, Director, Fiscal Policy Institute: New York State Funding Options

5:00 – 5:15 PM

Where do we go
from here?

- New York Roadway Improvement Coalition Representative

5:15 – 5:30 PM:

Closing Remarks

- Robert Paaswell, Ph.D., Director, University Transportation Research Center:
Wrap-up