Welcome, Introductions, Agenda

• Roll Call, Chair Rudy Malfabon
• Agenda for this call
  – Review of Workshop Agenda
  – Presentation by Shauna Hallmark, an NDS researcher
  – Homework assignment for the workshop
Workshop Agenda Background

- First, we are driven by the June Implementation Assistance Program dates
  - We don’t have a lot of time
  - Need to promote solicitation in April, May and June
- Second, the NDS data and research are complex
  - Data privacy and access issues
  - Data cost issues
  - We need to narrow a near-infinite number of possible topics to the ones most important to AASHTO members
- Third, we need to anticipate not just research but more importantly implementation
  - We need topics that can lead to counter measures
June Solicitation Drives Us!

• Much to do for a June solicitation
  – Identify research topics of highest interest to AASHTO members
  – Decide with FHWA, TRB how to ‘scope’ the research
  – Let DOTs and researchers know well in advance through
    • Webinars
    • Contact to key committees, groups
    • AASHTO, TRB, FHWA information to states
    • Through research groups
• If solicitation is in June, we should pick topics by end of March
• Outreach in April, May preceding June solicitation
Workshop Objectives

• Identify topics for research of highest interest to AASHTO members
• Agree upon general approach for selecting projects, allocating available funds
• Agree upon general approach for overseeing, monitoring research once authorized
• Understand options for funding implementation of findings from existing NDS pilots, the S08 projects
• Agree upon general approach for communicating upcoming solicitation to ensure broad participation of AASHTO members and their partners
• Agree upon general schedule for subsequent activities to ensure achievement of Task Force Charge
1st Day Agenda

• First morning, the context
  – AASHTO, TRB’s FHWA’s assumptions about the research effort
  – Guidance on how to access the data from VTTI

• First Afternoon
  – Your discussion of homework assignment of identifying what your agencies see as the most important topics
  – Lessons from the S08 pilots and what they tell us as we anticipate soliciting proposals for your priorities
  – Issues surrounding how to request, scope your research priorities
  – You identifying a list of research priorities
  – Discussion how the implementation assistance program will work as we convert your priorities into research requests
2nd Day Agenda

• Reviewing your list of priorities and ensure we captured your thoughts correctly

• Anticipating next steps for soliciting research proposals
  – How the FHWA data enclave and training center will work
  – Anticipating Implementation – what should we include in the research ‘scopes’ regarding our implementation intentions?
  – Evaluating Proposals – What should be the general ‘rules of the game’ for evaluating the proposals?
  – Guidance for Proposers – What other information do we need to provide to proposers
  – Attracting Proposals – What should we do to inform the AASHTO and research community of the IAP to ensure robust proposals?
  – With Whom and How Do We Want to Interact – To whom should we reach out to as partners for implementation?