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PUBLIC & MEDIA ADVISORY: SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD PROVIDES SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS' APPEARANCES FOR JULY 8 PUBLIC HEARING ON IMPACT, EFFECTIVENESS, FUTURE OF RAIL BANKING

The Surface Transportation Board announced today a schedule of speakers' appearances and their time allocations for the Board's **July 8**, **2009** public hearing to examine the impact, effectiveness, and future of rail banking under Section 8(d) of the National Trails System Act (Trails Act).

The Wednesday, July 8 public hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Board's Hearing Room on the 1st Floor of the agency's headquarters at Patriot's Plaza, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

The Board announced the hearing by an official agency notice and a news release, both issued to the public on May 21, 2009. Today's decision issuing the schedule of speakers' appearances and time allocations in <u>Twenty-five Years of Rail Banking</u>: A Review and Look <u>Ahead, STB Ex Parte No. 690</u>, is available for viewing and downloading on the Board's Web site, at <u>http://www.stb.dot.gov</u>, under "**E-LIBRARY**" on the home page, then under "**Decisions & Notices**," beneath the date "**07/02/09**."

The hearing will be webcast via the agency's site under "**Information Center**" / "**Webcast**" / "**Live Video**" on the home page.

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ATTACHMENT (speakers' list)

Attachment

Surface Transportation Board Public Hearing *Twenty-five Years of Rail Banking: A Review and Look Ahead*, STB Ex Parte No. 690

SCHEDULE OF APPEARANCES Party / Speaker / Time Allotted (minutes)

Panel I: Trail User Interests Rails-to-Trails Conservancy / Marianne Fowler / 15

Madison County Transit / Charles H. Montange / 10

Panel II: Railroad Interests

Association of American Railroads / Edward R. Hamberger / 5

CSX Transportation, Inc. / Peter J. Shudtz / 5

CNJ Rail Corporation / Eric S. Strohmeyer / 5

Panel III: Other Interested Parties

National Association of Reversionary Property Owners / Kathleen Kauffman / 20

Danaya C. Wright, University of Florida, Levin College of Law / 10

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