



MINNESOTA FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DRAFT MEETING AGENDA

**March 11, 2016
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Al Johnson Great Room
McNamara Alumni Center
University of Minnesota

- 9:30 a.m. Registration and Networking**
- 10:00 a.m. Welcome** – Bill Goins, MFAC Chair, Worldwide Account Manager, FedEx
- 10:05 a.m. Introductions**
- 10:15 a.m. MFAC Overview**
- Purpose, Goals, and Structure of the MFAC – MFAC Chair Bill Goins and MFAC Vice-Chair Ron Dvorak, Marketing Director, Lake Superior Warehousing Co., Inc.
- 10:30 a.m. MnDOT Update**
- MnDOT Freight Direction and Freight Project Activities – Bill Gardner, Director, Office of Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations, MnDOT
- 10:45 a.m. Freight Provisions, Policies and Legislation**
- FAST Act Implications for Freight Movement in Minnesota – John Tompkins, Freight Project Manager, Office of Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations, MnDOT
 - 2016 MN Legislative Outlook Related to Freight – Scott Peterson, Director, Office of Government Affairs, MnDOT

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11:15 a.m. Emerging Topics in Freight

- MnDOT's Manufacturers' Perspectives Studies (MPS): Input Request for Metro District Study – Jon Huseby, District Engineer, MnDOT (D8) / MFAC Executive Leadership *and* Dr. Frank Douma, State and Local Policy Program Director, Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
- *Freight Trains to Community Prosperity*: The McKnight Foundation/Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) Proposal – David Chandler, Principal Business Analyst, CNT *and* Libby Ogard, Principal, Prime Focus LLC

12:00 p.m. Lunch following Group Photo of MFAC Members – MnDOT Photographer Dave Gonzalez

12:30 p.m. Member Round Robin – Ron Dvorak, All

- What freight/infrastructure topic or issue will you and /or your organization be monitoring in 2016?

12:50 p.m. Closing Remarks – Bill Goins

- Future Meetings and Public Forums

1:00 p.m. Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings:

- *June 10, 2016*
- *September 30, 2016*
- *December 2, 2016*

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