



# Call for Abstracts



# National Rural ITS Conference

## September 16-19, 2012

**Biloxi, Mississippi** is one of the oldest communities in the country, having first been settled in 1699. Today, the city is a cultural melting pot, with a year 'round schedule of celebrations, set against a backdrop of sugar-white sand beaches, great deep-sea or freshwater fishing, an array of championship golf courses, museums and historic sites, and tantalizing seafood restaurants.

### Invitation to Submit an Abstract

The 2012 National Rural ITS Conference Planning committee would like to invite you to submit an abstract for presentation at the Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi. All abstracts must be received by **Friday, March 16, 2012** and authors should take care to ensure that abstracts submitted follow the guidelines. Questions can be directed to Meetings Northwest at 866-633-8110.

### Online Submittal

Authors can submit their abstracts online by going to <http://www.nritsconference.org/agenda.html>.

### Email Submittal

Authors can also submit their abstracts via email to [info@nritsconference.org](mailto:info@nritsconference.org). Emails must include all of the following elements:

- Abstract title
- Lead author contact information (name, organization, address, phone number, fax number, and email address)
- Supporting author(s) name(s) and email addresses, if any
- Topic area
- Abstract text (750 word maximum)

Abstracts are encouraged to fall into one of the following topic areas related to Rural ITS, but abstracts outside these areas will also be considered:

- 511 and Traveler Information Systems
- Commercial Vehicle and Freight Mobility
- Communications in Rural Areas
- Connected Vehicle Initiative
- Emergency Management & Medical Service Coordination
- Incident Management Practices for Rural Areas
- ITS Financing
- ITS Planning, Architecture, and Sustainability
- Multi-agency Coordination & Innovative Public Private Partnerships
- Powering Your Rural ITS Devices
- Road and Weather Information Systems
- Rural ITS Safety Initiatives
- Rural TMC Operations
- Rural Transit and Paratransit
- Special Technology Applications (i.e., for elderly, schools, Native American populations, etc.)
- Technology Evaluation
- Wildlife Detection