

# Call for Abstracts

NATIONAL RURAL ITS CONFERENCE, SEPTEMBER 3-5, 2008



## The Event

Head “North to the Future” for the 2008 National Rural ITS Conference. Held in beautiful Anchorage, Alaska, participants will be stimulated by a wide variety of training and learning opportunities. The conference will provide presentations, panel and roundtable discussions, as well as technical tours that will address Native American ITS transportation issues, vehicle infrastructure integration (VII), interregional ITS applications, rural/frontier transit and paratransit, rural EMS, multimodal connections & information sharing, commercial vehicle and freight mobility, road weather information systems, and climate change impacts.

Of special interest will be the “mini” training sessions that offer crash courses, quick-tips, and overviews in a wide variety of focus areas in 2-hour increments. NRITS 2008 also promises to bring you plenty of networking opportunities and time with vendors so that you get information you need outside the classroom too. You won’t want to miss this unique and exciting rural ITS learning experience!

## Invitation to Submit an Abstract!

The Program Committee of the 2008 National Rural ITS Conference would like to invite you to submit an abstract for presentation at the upcoming conference. All abstracts must be received by **Friday, February 22, 2008**, and authors should take care to ensure that abstracts submitted follow the guidelines below.

Abstracts should be 500 words or less. Please note that abstract submittals crediting multiple authors must designate one lead. Unless it is indicated otherwise, the lead author will be expected to make the technical presentation. Abstract selection will be completed by March 24<sup>th</sup> at which time selected authors will be notified. Selected authors will be asked to submit a brief bio for inclusion in the conference agenda. A copy of the final presentation will also need to be provided to conference staff for inclusion in the conference proceedings. Paper submittals will not be necessary.

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

- Climate Change Impacts on Rural Transportation
- Commercial Vehicle and Freight Mobility
- Emergency Medical Services for Rural Areas
- ITS Planning, Deployment & Sustainability
- Multimodal Connections & Information Sharing
- Native American ITS Transportation Issues
- Road Weather Information Systems
- Transit and Paratransit in Rural/Frontier Areas
- Traveler Information
- Vehicle Infrastructure Integration (VII) for Non-Urban Areas
- Wildlife Detection

Submitting is as easy as completing the form on the following page!

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# Submittal Form



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## **Abstract Submittal:**

Authors can submit their abstracts via email by (1) completing the below form, (2) saving the revised document and (3) clicking here [info@NRITSconference.org](mailto:info@NRITSconference.org). You can also fax the form to (406) 273-2494.

Title of Presentation (Abstract)

Name of Lead Author

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Email(s) of Secondary Authors

## **Topic Area:** (select one or two that are the most applicable)

Climate Change Impacts on Rural Transportation

Commercial Vehicle and Freight Mobility

Emergency Medical Services for Rural Areas

ITS Planning, Deployment & Sustainability

Multimodal Connections & Information Sharing

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Other

## **Abstract Text:** (500 word recommended maximum)

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