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# 11th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads



Photo: Jim Lawrence, North Hampton County Conservation

July 12–15, 2015 Omni William Penn Hotel Pittsburgh, PA, USA



Photo: Steve Bloser, Center for Dirt and Gravel Roads Studies at Pennsylvania State University

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#### **Conference Committee**

Committee for the 11th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads (AFB99D)

#### You're Invited!

The Transportation Research Board (TRB) is pleased to invite you to attend the 11th International Conference on Low-Volume Roads, which will be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA on July 12 to 15, 2015.

The conference, held every four years, will feature the latest information about low-volume road management, design, construction, safety, maintenance, and many other related topics.

At this conference, those who administer, plan, design, build, or maintain low-volume roads will learn innovative ways of managing low-volume road systems. The conference is organized for practitioners worldwide in local, state, and federal agencies; universities; private firms; and international organizations. Previous conferences typically have attracted 250 to 300 transportation professional from all continents.

Visit the Conference website at: <a href="www.TRB.org/Conferences/2015/11LVR">www.TRB.org/Conferences/2015/11LVR</a> for the most up-to-date information about the conference, including call for papers, information for authors, and registration materials. For inquiries and general correspondence, please use the conference mail box: <a href="https://www.LVR@nas.edu">LVR@nas.edu</a>

#### **Timeline**

November 2013	Call for Papers
December 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014	Website Open for Submission of Draft Manuscripts
July 31, 2014	Review Comments to Authors
November 30, 2014	Final Manuscripts Due
January 2015	Preliminary Program and Registration Information Available

## **Call for Papers**

Papers are solicited on all aspects of low-volume roads and streets. Papers will be peer reviewed for acceptability. Those that are accepted for publication will be published in the Transportation Research Record. Case studies involving practical aspects of planning, constructing, maintaining low-volume roads are particularly encouraged. Some suggested areas of interest, with emphasis on low-volume road applications, are as follows:

Case Histories Roads Affected by Energy/Gas/Mining Sector

Design and Construction Road Management on Tribal Lands

Environmental Impacts Safety

Finance and economics Socio-Economic issues

Innovative Materials Solutions Soil-Stabilization and Dust Control Techniques

Maintenance Structures and Drainage Operations Sustainability Issues

Pavement Performance Unsealed and Unpaved Roads

Planning

Topics that are pertinent and suitable for discussion at the conference are not limited to the above. All offerings relevant to low-volume roads are welcomed.

All papers must be submitted via <u>TRB's Paper Submission website</u>, which will be open between December 1, 2013, through March 31, 2014. Papers will be accepted only in PDF format.

Information on the citation format for TRR papers is included in the conference <u>Information for Authors</u>. Information for Authors also provides instructions for submittal of papers and guidance on the organization and formatting of manuscripts. Authors are advised to consult the conference Information for Authors prior to writing a paper to ensure that it adheres to the latest guidelines. TRB reserves the right to reject papers that do not adhere to the guidelines.

**TRB Low-Volume Roads (LVR) Literature** - A summary of published TRB literature related to low-volume roads from 2003 to 2013 is available online.

Authors of submitted papers will be notified of the acceptance or non-acceptance of their papers by July 31, 2014.

### **General Information**

The conference announcement is available online.

**Registration** – Authors of papers accepted for presentation will be expected to register and attend the conference. More registration information will be available in mid-2014.

**Hotel & Travel** – The conference will be held at the Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA. More hotel and travel information will be posted in mid-2014.

International Participation – Please create your <u>Letter of Invitation</u> well in advance since some countries require their citizens to first present an official invitation from TRB before they can obtain a passport from their government, and then apply for a U.S. entry visa. To use the self-serve Letter of Invitation, click on the <u>link</u>, provide your contact information, then click the submit button. After submitting the information, the letter will be displayed and may be printed.

**Conference Exhibits** – Information about conference exhibits will be posted in mid-2014.

For inquiries and general correspondence, please use the conference mailbox:

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For more information:

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