ADC40 Summer 2014 meeting is coming to the...









Announcing the Transportation Research Board ADC40 Transportation-Related Noise and Vibration 2014 Summer Meeting

Sunday, July 20 to Wednesday, July 23, 2014
Sheraton Portsmouth Harborside Hotel & Conference Center
250 Market Street Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801

TRB Committee ADC40 and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation invite you to join us for the 2014 Summer Meeting in Seaside Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

As a 2014 ADC40 Summer Meeting attendee, you will experience the charms of the nation's third oldest city, a locale recently lauded as one of the 'top 100 walking cities', various 'best places to live lists', and 'one of America's Prettiest Towns'.

The Sheraton Harborside Hotel will serve as the main meeting venue. It is conveniently located within 1 mile of Exit 7 on I-95. The hotel is adjacent to the Piscataqua River which lets into the Atlantic Ocean, also a short walk to the lively downtown district consisting of a variety of shops, restaurants, and pubs. The room rate for both government and non-government attendees is \$129 per night (the 2014 government employee per diem rate). Hotel reservations are the responsibility of individual attendees. Additional hotel and registration information for delegates and their guests can be found later in this meeting packet, along with event descriptions and other area information.

The agenda will feature new and innovative transportation-related noise presentations, possible panel discussions and an engaging technical event at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The complete meeting agenda will be posted online and distributed via the ADC40 network once it is finalized. Information regarding the Call for Papers is included in this meeting packet.



	◆ AGENDA ▶		
Sunday July 20	Registration, Ballroom Lobby, 4:00 – 6:00 pm		
	Welcoming Reception, Harbors Edge Room, 6:00 – 8:00 pm; Drink Tickets & Substantial Hors D' Oeuvres included in registration.		
Monday July 21	Technical sessions in the Grand Ballroom from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm		
	Exhibits in the Harbors Edge Room beginning at 7:30 am and during breaks		
	Lunch in the Prescott Room from 12:00 – 1:00 Technical & Posters sessions in Grand Ballroom from 1:00 – 4:30 pm		
	Dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery, (optional at \$40/pp), 5:30pm – 8:00 pm		
	Technical Tour – Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, 8:00 am – noon		
Tuesday	Exhibits open 7:30 am to 12:00 pm		
July 22	Lunch in the Prescott Room from 12:00 – 1:00		
July 22	Technical sessions 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm		
	Isles of Shoals Dinner Cruise, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm		
Wednesday	Technical sessions & ADC40 committee meeting 8:00 am -12:30 pm		
July 23			

For additional information, contact Nate Binette, meeting coordinator, at 207-459-8382 or nathan.binette@evonik.com

■ CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS ▶

Anyone wishing to make a presentation during a technical session must submit a title and **brief abstract and bio** paragraph to Ahmed El-Aassar (<u>aelaassar@envact.com</u>) by April 30, 2014. Presentations are typically 20 minutes each, including questions and answers, although time allowances may be adjusted depending on the number of submittals. Some longer presentations may be allowed, depending on topics.

Also, new for 2014, we are accepting poster submittals. Posters should consist of a more concise presentation of information on a 24" wide x 36" high foam core (or similarly self-supporting) backing. Poster Session will take place during the Monday Afternoon technical sessions time block. Presenters should be able to convey information to visitors within approximately 5 minutes.

Easels for display shall be made available by the conference committee. All materials to be presented (prints, foam core, etc) are the responsibility of the presenter.

The following information is required for all presentations and poster submissions:

First and Last Name of Presenter

Presentation / Poster Title

Brief Abstract

Bio Paragraph (maximum length 4000 characters, at least 2 sentences. Bio information is a new requirement which will help facilitate PDH credit hours given.)



■ REGISTRATION INFORMATION ▶			
To pay by credit card Pay online through the TRB ADC40		To pay by check, make payable to: TRB ADC40	
website, using PayPal	OR	Mail with completed registration form to: Nate Binette Evonik Cyro LLC 1796 Main Street Sanford, ME 04073	

Registration Fee

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	Early Registration Through May 31	Registration Postmarked June 1 or Later	
Delegate:	\$275	\$350	
Guest:	\$85	\$110	

Delegate registration fees include a meeting gift packet, t-shirt, admittance to the Sunday reception, all technical sessions, the exhibit hall, morning/afternoon snack breaks, breakfast buffets on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Lunch on Monday & Tuesday, the Technical Tour and the group dinner cruise on Tuesday evening via the Isles of Shoals Steamship Company directly across from the hotel.

Guest registration includes a meeting t-shirt, admittance to the Sunday reception and the group dinner cruise on Tuesday evening via the Isles of Shoals Steamship Company directly across from the hotel.

Please notify Nate Binette at <u>nathan.binette@evonik.com</u> of any special dietary considerations.



■ OPTIONAL GUEST ACTIVITIES ▶

All are invited to Partake:

Portsmouth Harbour Trail – 1 Hour Walking Tour TRB Group Tour - Monday July 21 @ 10:30am

Highlights Tour - Named a Yankee Magazine Best of New England 2009 Editors' Choice Walk through Portsmouth's historic downtown and hear fascinating stories of early settlers, patriots, ship builders, and entrepreneurs.

http://www.portsmouthchamber.org/pht.cfm

Schedule: Tour for TRB registrants is Monday @ 10:30 a.m. To take the TRB Group tour you must register for this tour when registering for the conference. If less than 10 people register, the Monday tour will not be scheduled and registration fees for the tour will be refunded.

Public tours are available at 10: 30 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. All tours depart from the Market Square info kiosk at the intersection of Market and Congress Streets, a short (0.25 miles, 5 minutes) walk from the conference hotel. Tours last approximately one hour. Total tour walking distance is around one mile.

Prices: Included for guests who reserve during registration, otherwise: Adults \$12; Seniors \$10; Students 8-14, \$8; Under 8, Free.

All are invited to Partake:

<u>Strawbery Banke Museum Tour – 1.5 to 2 Hours Typical</u> TRB Self-Guided Group Tour - Tuesday July 22 @ 10:00am

Strawbery Banke Museum, in the heart of historic downtown Portsmouth, New Hampshire, is an authentic 10-acre outdoor history museum. Upon arrival Strawbery Banke Museum staff will provide an orientation and site overview. Guests will then be free to stroll about the grounds on a self-guided tour. 1½ to 2 hours is a typical allotment of time to tour the Museum. http://www.strawberybanke.org/

Schedule: Tour for TRB registrants is Tuesday @ 10:00 a.m. **To take the TRB Group tour you** must register for this tour when registering for the conference. If less than 10 people register, the Tuesday tour will not be scheduled and registration fees for the tour will be refunded.

The Strawbery Banke Museum, located at 14 Hancock Street (approximately 7/10 mile from the conference hotel), is open to the public daily from 10am to 5pm with optional Garden tours daily at 1pm.

Prices - \$12 per person for the TRB Self-Guided Group Tour, otherwise: General Admission is \$17.50 per Adult, \$10 for children 5-17 years of age, kids <5 are free.



Technical Tour at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard:

<u>Free for Registered Delegates. Limited Seats for Guests and</u> <u>Exhibitors are Available on a First Come First Served Basis for \$40 each.</u>

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard is one of four remaining naval shipyards in the nation. The Shipyard's primary mission is the overhaul, repair and modernization of Los Angeles-class submarines but is capable of docking all active classes of submarines including the Trident and Virginia classes.

The technical tour will depart from the Sheraton Hotel Tuesday at 8am by buses for a guided audio / historical tour of the shipyard. The tour terminates at the shipyard auditorium where a presentation will provide an overview of noise related issues at the shipyard. At the conclusion participants will be transported back to the hotel by buses.

http://www.navsea.navy.mil/shipyards/portsmouth/default.aspx

Other Nearby Attractions / Activities Include:

Fort Constitution / Portsmouth Harbor Lighthouse, New Castle, New Hampshire

Fort Constitution State Historic Site is located on a peninsula on the northeast corner of New Castle Island approximately 3 miles from the conference hotel. The Portsmouth harbor Lighthouse is located within the park overlooking both the Piscataqua River and the Atlantic Ocean. The park is unstaffed and open year round for recreation.

http://www.nhstateparks.org/explore/state-parks/fort-constitution-state-historic-site.aspx

New Castle Beach, New Castle New Hampshire

Small, picturesque Sandy Beach, is located approximately 3 miles from the conference hotel between the Great Island Common and Ocean Street. The beach is somewhat rocky and the water is colder than at most Seacoast beaches.

Nubble Light (Cape Neddick Lighthouse) at Sohier Park in York, Maine

Beautiful Scenic Lighthouse / Visitor's Park, accessible 7 days a week from 9am to 7pm. Approximately 14 miles from conference hotel. http://nubblelight.org/

Hampton Beach, Route 1A Hampton, NH

The most popular beach in the region, Hampton Beach has been drawing visitors by the hundreds of thousands since the turn of the century. The beach is extremely wide and the water warm. Bath house and lifeguards in season. Approximately 15 miles from the conference hotel.

Kittery Trading Post & Factory Outlets, US Route 1, Kittery Maine

Iconic outdoor enthusiast paradise since 1938, the Kittery Trading Post is Southern Maine's premier hunting, camping, fishing, outdoor sports store and one of the first shops you will encounter along the outlet stretch of US Route 1 – deemed the outlet capital of New England.

http://www.kitterytradingpost.com/

http://www.thekitteryoutlets.com/



Other Nearby Attractions / Activities Continued:

Marginal Way Ocean Walk, Ogunquit Maine

One of the most popular visitor attractions in all of *South Coast Maine* is the famous Marginal Way Ocean Walk in Ogunquit. The **Marginal Way** was once an old Indian trail that is now a famous south coastal Maine attraction. This scenic coastal path is just over one mile long, and meanders along the rugged coastline. While walking down this historical footpath breathe in the fresh ocean air and take time to explore the beautiful scenery along the way. There are many places you can stop, sit and capture the Atlantic coast of Maine at its best. The Marginal Way runs along the Ogunquit coast starting at Ogunquit Beach, making its way down to Perkins Cove, where you can enjoy boat rides of all sorts, visit the many shops, or grab a bite to eat. Approximately 16 miles from the conference hotel.

http://www.meliving.com/marginalway/

Not so Nearby, Day Trip Ideas:

Weirs Beach on Lake Winnipesaukee, Laconia New Hampshire

Weirs Beach is a popular draw for summer relaxation and activity. Weir's Beach in Laconia, New Hampshire on the southern shore of New Hampshire's largest lake of 72 square miles with 253 islands. Weirs Beach is approximately 57 miles from the conference hotel, 1 hr 15 mins drive.

http://weirsbeach.com/

http://www.winnipesaukee.com/index.php

Hiking in the White Mountain National Forest – Host recommends Mt. Chocura's Champney Falls Trail a rather short easy to moderate 1.4 mile hike to reach scenic Champney and Pitcher Water Falls. From there you could head back and enjoy a drive along the scenic and winding Kancamagus highway (Rt 112) with plenty of places to stop and swim. OR continue on a more challenging hike (moderate difficulty) to the treeless peak of Chocura which offers stunning long range views. Hikers should be equipped with hiking boots or good quality sneakers, bring water, sunscreen, bug-spray, granola / energy bars / trail mix, trail map & compass.

Trailhead is 1 hour 45 minutes from conference hotel, at address Kancamagus Hwy, Albany, NH. http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5364479.pdf
http://www.hikenewengland.com/ChocoruaNH090405.html#trailmap

Child Care Option

While ADC40 will not directly provide child care we will explore child care options if requested by member during registration. If you wish to have child care please select this option during registration and / or contact Nate Binette for more information at nathan.binette@evonik.com or 207-490-4313.



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Harbors Edge Room (exhibit area)					
Tuesday Evening Dinner 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm					
Isles of Shoals Dinner Cruise				Delegate	Guest(s)



■ ACCOMODATIONS ►

Meeting Hotel:



Sheraton Portsmouth
Harborside Hotel
250 Market Street
Portsmouth, NH 03801
(603) 431-2300
www.sheratonportsmouth.com



Delegates and guests are responsible for their own lodging accommodations. The Sheraton is holding a block of rooms at the rate of \$129.00/night + applicable state and occupancy taxes in effect at the time of check in. This rate is available from Saturday night through Thursday night and applies to all attendees.

Attendees shall make their own room reservations preferably online using this link:

https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=1304223800&key=97DC7

The group rate is available only until June 19, 2014.

After 6/19/2014 the hotel will only accept reservations based on space available at the prevailing rates. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. The hotel will not hold any reservations unless secured. Check-in time at the Hotel is 3:00 PM and Check-out time is 11:00 AM. Please book your room soon, so you don't miss the conference rate.

Self parking at the hotel is \$15 or \$18 for valet service.

Day parking (for those not staying at the hotel is \$5 per day for self parking, \$10 for valet service.

Wi-fi is complimentary throughout the hotel for all guests and attendees (access password may be obtained at the front desk).

If you would like to extend your stay in Portsmouth, the hotel has allocated 20 rooms for Wednesday night (July 23) and 10 rooms for Saturday and Thursday nights (July 19, July 24). These are available on a first come, first served basis.



◀ TRAVEL ▶

Driving directions:

From Manchester Airport (MHT) – approximately 55 miles

Take Route 101 East to Interstate 95 North to Exit 7. Turn right off the exit and proceed for approximately 1/2 mile. Bear right at the blinking light and the hotel entrance is on the left.

From Logan International Airport (BOS) – approximately 51 miles

Take Route 1 North to Interstate 95 North. Take Exit 7 off I-95 (Downtown Portsmouth). Turn right off the exit and proceed for approximately 1/2 mile. Bear right at the blinking light and the hotel entrance is on the left.

Ride Share Program

A ride share program will be organized to transport attendees from Boston's Logan Airport and the Manchester, NH Airport to the Sheraton Harborside Hotel. This is an optional service available for \$70 per person, round trip. **This option is only available for persons arriving Sunday and departing Wednesday Afternoon. Must be booked during registration.** Alternatively you may organize your own travel via public transportation by the following or other means:

Self Booked Bus Service from Logan Airport (Boston):

C&J Bus operates service to the nearby Portsmouth Transportation Center which is approximately 5 miles from the Sheraton. The per person ticket cost is \$23 each way. Approximate Taxi rate to provide transportation from PTC to the Sheraton is \$16 plus gratuity. C&J Buses depart from Logan at 10 minutes after each hour and take about 1 hr 25 minutes to reach the PTC. Check C&Js website to make reservations and times at http://www.ridecj.com/

Self Booked Bus Service from Manchester Airport:

The East West Express operates service to the nearby Portsmouth Transportation Center which is approximately 5 miles from the Sheraton. The per person ticket cost is \$19 each way. Approximate Taxi rate to provide transportation from PTC to the Sheraton is \$16 plus gratuity. Vans depart from Manchester airport on every hour and take about 1 hour to reach the PTC. Check the website to make reservations and times at http://www.eastwestnh.com/

Portsmouth Taxis Information

Great Bay Taxi, 603-326-8294, http://www.greatbaytaxi.com/ Market Square Taxi, 603-205-1788, http://www.portsmouthtaxicab.com/ Annie's Taxi, 603-531-9955, http://anniestaxi.com/



■ SPONSORS & EXHIBITORS ▶

The Summer TRB ADC40 Meeting provides a great opportunity for vendors to exhibit their products and services and for sponsors to be recognized for generously providing funds essential to the success of this conference. As in the past, vendors will be provided opportunities throughout the technical sessions for mini-presentations.

Sponsorships are available in tiered categories, as follows:

- **Unobtainium (\$2,500+)** Includes one (1) standard size exhibit space, two (2) registrations, two (2) tickets to the Monday Evening Dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery, plus special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
- Platinum (\$1,500-\$2,499) Includes one (1) standard size exhibit space, one (1) registration, one (1) ticket to the Monday Evening Dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery, plus special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
- **Gold (\$1,000-\$1,499)** Includes one (1) registration, one (1) ticket to the Monday evening dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery and special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
- **Silver (\$600-\$999)** Includes one (1) ticket to the Monday evening dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery and special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
- Bronze (\$300-\$599) Includes special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
- Exhibitor Space Only (\$600) Includes one (1) registration.
- Additional registration may be purchased for a reduced rate of \$150

Exhibits will be displayed in the Harbor's Edge Room. The Sunday Evening reception and all break services during the technical sessions will be set up in the exhibitor space to ensure circulation and visibility. Each exhibitor space includes one (1) 6-foot X 8-foot booth, power, two (2) chairs and one (1) 6-foot skirted table. Exhibit space is available from Sunday afternoon through early Tuesday evening. Please note that exhibitors will be given their choice of exhibit location in the exhibit hall in **ORDER OF DATE OF PAYMENT**. See room layout on the below.

Exhibit set up and take down:

The Exhibit area will be open for you to set up, starting **Sunday the 20**th **at 12:00pm.** The Sunday Evening reception and all break services during the technical sessions will be served in the exhibit area. Take down should be complete by noon (12pm) on Wednesday the 23rd and your boxes should be labeled for pick up by that time.

Packages should be clearly marked with the name of the event (ADC40) and shipped to the Sheraton



Portsmouth Harborside Hotel; 250 Market Street; Portsmouth, NH 03801; (603) 431-2300 Packages should arrive between July 15th and 18th.

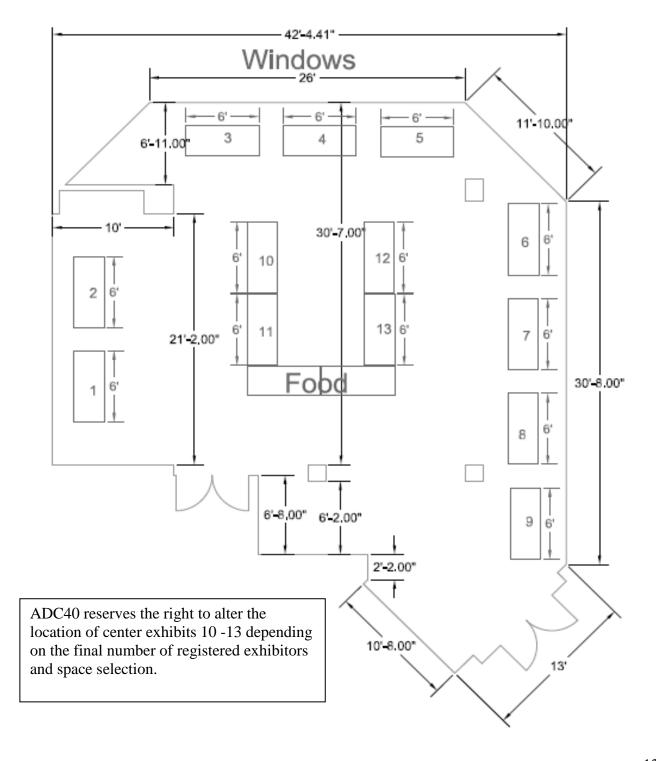
Exhibitors will need to affix their own FedEx or UPS label to all packages being shipped out. If you have any questions about packages, please contact Doug Barrett, dbarrett@sid-inc.com, 603-903-7229.

If you are interested in being an exhibitor or a sponsor, please complete the Sponsor/Exhibitor form found on the following page of this meeting packet and send to Doug Barrett at dbarrett@sid-inc.com or mail it to:

Doug Barrett Sanchez Industrial Design 39 Page Street Keene, NH 03431



■ EXHIBIT SPACE LAYOUT **▶**





■ 2014 TRB ADC40 Summer Meeting – Portsmouth, New Hampshire
■ Sponsor and Exhibitor Request Form ▶
Deadline for recognition in program is July 1, 2014*
Organization:
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Unobtainium (\$2,500+) Amount: \$ Unobtainium Sponsors will receive one (1) standard size exhibit space, two (2) registrations, two (2) tickets to the Monday evening dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery and special recognition in program and sponsor.
Platinum (\$1500-\$2,499) Amount: \$ Platinum Sponsors will receive one (1) standard size exhibit space, one (1) registration, (1) ticket to the Monday evening dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery and special recognition in program and sponsor.
Gold (\$1000-\$1499) Amount: \$ Gold Sponsors will receive one (1) registration, one (1) ticket to the Monday evening dinner at the Portsmouth Brewery and special recognition in program and sponsor displays.
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■ DOMENICK BILLERA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In honor and memory of Domenick Billera, for his wisdom and foresight in the conception, creation and establishment of the ADC40 Summer Meeting Scholarship Program.

<u>Purpose</u>

To encourage and support attendance (especially by state transportation agency personnel) at ADC40 Committee summer meetings.

Eligibility

All ADC40 Committee members or friends active in transportation-related noise issues.

Details

Between 2 and 4 scholarships will be awarded for the upcoming summer meeting. The number of scholarships awarded will be based on budgetary constraints and may be a full or partial scholarship (may include conference registration, hotel accommodations, and/or travel). Contributing a presentation to the conference program will be considered in the evaluation process.

How to apply

By May 15, 2014 send a brief letter (submission by email is acceptable) describing your budgetary constraints and needs, and presentation abstract (if applicable) to:

Judy Rochat at JRochat@atsconsulting.com

Your submission should include your full contact information, including name, YOUR association/organization, address, e-mail, and telephone.

Submissions will be evaluated and announcement of award will be made by June 1, 2014. Award recipients will be required to submit an expense report prior to reimbursement.