M-TRAC Annual Meeting August 1- 2, 2018 Albuquerque, New Mexico

The Multi-Regional Training and Certification (M-TRAC) group met on August 1st and 2nd in Albuquerque, New Mexico at the Associated General Contractors facility. The meeting was hosted by the New Mexico DOT and AGC. Brian Legan did an excellent job on organizing the meeting. The group was provided lunch by the chefs from the New Mexico DOT, who did an excellent job with their Mexican cuisine.

The M-TRAC group had new comers this year from Nevada, Arizona, Oklahoma, and Texas. It is always great to hear from new states and exchange new ideas. The FHWA had representatives from the New Mexico Division and Dennis Dvorak joined us from the FHWA Chicago Resource Center. Besides the states, we had representation from the Transportation Curriculum Coordination Council (TC3), NICET, ACI, Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC), State Technical College of Missouri, University of Arkansas, Lake Superior College of Minnesota, Kansas State Polytechnic, Oklahoma State University, and University of Wisconsin- Platteville. States represented included Arizona, Iowa, Arkansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Kansas, West Virginia, New Mexico, Nevada, Texas, North Dakota, Wisconsin, and Oklahoma. The listing of participants is included with the minutes.

Updates to the Certification Booklet were made available and new states have been added. If anyone doesn't have an M-TRAC certification booklet, showing many state's programs, contact Chris Anderson at: christieandersonconsulting@outlook.com and a copy can be shipped.

Excellent presentations were given throughout the meeting on Computerized Exams, Light Weight Deflectometer, Traffic Control Training, Nuclear Densometer, Training Return on Investment, NICET, ACI, TC3, and numerous state presentations. All the presentations are posted on the M-TRAC website at: https://engineering.purdue.edu/M-TRAC/.

Next years meeting will be hosted by Terry Burns of the West Virginia DOT. Tentatively the meeting will be held July 10–11, 2019 at Adventures on the Gorge in Lansing, West Virginia. Mark those dates on your calendar!

Thanks again to Brian Legan and all the New Mexico staff for an excellent meeting! Hope to see you all plus new states at next year's meeting.

Chris Anderson M-TRAC Chairperson