Navigating to Net-Zero Carbon, and a Secure, Equitable Transportation Future

The 19th Biennial Conference on Transportation and Climate Policy is organized under the auspices of the Energy and Alternative Fuels Committees of the U.S. Transportation Research Board

Hosted by: UC Davis Institute of Transportation Studies
# Agenda

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About the Sessions

This year’s conference will address the challenge of climate change in the context of environmental and mobility justice, how they influence transportation investments and choices, and the policies for accomplishing these changes in a sustainable manner.

We are at a pivotal point, with novel technologies and business models revolutionizing transportation, and major governmental investments in infrastructure being considered. The conference will focus on national policy with links to international and state/local policymaking. Key topics include electrification and use of hydrogen and biofuels; new mobility and transit; freight; and the role of cities in these transitions.

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | MERRILL HALL

SESSION 1: Welcome and Introductions
Navigating to net-zero carbon will not be easy, but perhaps easier for land-based transportation than any major sector or activity. The challenges and uncertainties are daunting, though. In this session, those challenges and uncertainties, as well as opportunities, will be addressed. This session will address leadership from around the world with respect to geopolitics, globalization, protectionism, industrial policy, and economic and labor disruption, with special attention to scalability and supply of minerals, batteries, and fuels.

Speakers:

Daniel Sperling, Founding Director, Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis

Margo Oge, Former Director, US EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ), United States Environmental Protection Agency

David G. Victor, Professor of Innovation and Public Policy, UC San Diego

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SESSION 2: California, US, EU, and Chinese Leadership
These governments have adopted strong regulatory, market, and/or incentive policies, with rapid electrification of vehicles underway. The US has made a large one-time funding commitment, but lags on regulation. This session will review the status of low-carbon transportation policies, vehicle and fuel markets, and renewable fuels and electricity. We will assess how these political entities are proceeding, with special attention to California and the US. What can be learned from elsewhere? To what extent is the path forward for the US premised on state actions?
Speakers:

**Yunshi Wang**, Director, China Center for Energy and Transportation, ITS-Davis  
**Liane Randolph**, Chair, California Air Resources Board  
**Gzim Ocakoglu**, First Counsellor, Mobility & Transport, Delegation of the E.U. to the U.S.

**SESSION 3: Accelerating “Secure” Energy and Battery Investments**

The low-carbon transition requires a massive increase in the global supply of lithium and other materials, as well as massive investments in batteries, vehicles, and renewable electricity. Investments in mines, charging stations, recycling facilities, and other energy facilities are slowed by concerns over impacts on the local environment, indigenous populations, and disadvantaged communities. What will be the effect on battery and vehicle costs, and what can or should be done about it?

Speakers:

**Aimee Boulanger**, Executive Director, Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance  
**Alissa Kendall**, Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, UC Davis  
**Jennifer Krill**, Executive Director, Earthworks

**SESSION 4: Car and Truck Policy**

What regulations, incentives, and subsidies would be most effective and implementable for accelerating low-carbon vehicles? How might battery size (and demand for critical materials) be constrained? Consumers are conservative, battery costs have been rising, and fuel infrastructure is expensive. Most forecasts find that the total cost of ownership of EVs will soon be competitive in many applications, but will that be true? And even if it is, research suggests that individuals and fleets will be slow to adopt.

**Moderator:** Richard Corey, Partner, AJW  
**Speakers:**  
**Karl Simon**, Director, Transportation and Climate Division at US EPA  
**Sydney Vergis**, Deputy Executive Director, California Air Resources Board  
**Panelists:**  
**Nancy Ryan**, Partner, eMobility Advisors  
**Steve Henderson**, Associate Director, Vehicle Regulatory Strategy & Planning, Ford Motor Company  
**Francesca Wahl**, EV Charging Policy, Tesla

**Monterey Bay Aquarium Reception**

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SESSION 5: Beyond Cars – Expanding Mobility for All
Are we headed toward urban sustainability, or not—considering economics, environment, and equity? Car travel has not been decreasing. Are we permanently wedded to car-centric travel? What progress have we made in improving accessibility for marginalized and disadvantaged travelers? What are the opportunities to improve accessibility, including infill and affordable housing, while also reducing GHG emissions? What lessons can be learned from elsewhere—especially European cities?

**Moderator:** Susan Handy, Director, National Center for Sustainable Transportation

**Case Studies:**
- Courtney Sung, Director of Strategy and Business Development, Via
- Gloria Huerta, CEO, Miocar
- Thomas Matagne, Founder of Ecov
- Brandon Pollak, Executive Director, Washington Mobility Innovation District

**Policy Opportunities:**
- Megan W. Blum, Director, Office of Environmental Programs, Federal Transit Administration
- Adonia Lugo, Equity Research Manager, University of California Institute of Transportation Studies
- Darwin Moosavi, Deputy Secretary for Environmental Policy & Housing Coordination, California State Transportation Agency

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM | MERRILL HALL

SESSION 6: Low-carbon fuels for planes, ships, and legacy vehicles
Large quantities of low-carbon fuels will be needed for aviation and maritime, and possibly long haul trucks, though California will not allow any combustion engines for trucks. Contenders are hydrogen, now boosted by the US Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs (H2Hubs) program, SAF, biofuels, and e-fuels. These fuels can be produced in many ways from many different feedstocks. Should they be allowed in trucks? What new policies and investments are needed, and by whom?

**Moderator:** Rebecca Dodder, Supervisory Physical Scientist, US Environmental Protection Agency

**Speakers:**
- Sunita Satyapal, Director, Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies Office, DOE
- Colin Murphy, Deputy Director, Policy Institute for Energy, Environment, and the Economy, UC Davis

**Panelists:**
- Michael Traver, Senior Researcher, Transport Technologies Division, Aramco Research Center
- Erin Cooke, Sustainability + Environmental Policy Director, San Francisco International Airport
SESSION 7: Vehicle Charging and Hydrogen – Focusing on Trucks
A massive number of public (and private) chargers are needed to support rapid expansion of truck electrification, and a large number of hydrogen stations will also be needed for long haul trucks and perhaps others. These chargers will require substantial land and huge amounts of electricity—similar to small cities for the larger stations. The business challenge for chargers is especially daunting. Are the US federal incentives (IRA) enough to assure establishment of a reliable, accessible charging system—and encourage vehicle sales? What more needs to be done to build these stations in a timely manner? How can concerns of local communities be accommodated?

Moderator:
Lew Fulton, Director, STEPS, ITS-Davis

Speaker:
Michael Berube, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Sustainable Transportation, Department of Energy

Panelists:
Patty Monahan, Commissioner, California Energy Commission
Rakesh Aneja, Head of eMobility, Daimler Trucks North America
Paul Rosa, SVP Procurement & Fleet Planning, Penske Truck Leasing
Carla Peterman, Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Chief Sustainability Officer, PG&E
Román Partida-López, Transportation Equity Legal Counsel at The Greenlining Institute
Janice Lin, Founder and President, Green Hydrogen Coalition
Katie Ellet, President, Hydrogen Energy and Mobility, NAM at Air Liquide

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Closing Panel

Moderator: Roland Hwang, Program Director, Climate and Clean Energy Program, Heising-Simons Foundation

Panelists:
Rachel Nealer, Deputy Director for Joint Office of Energy and Transportation
Alejandra Nunez, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Mobile Sources, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Rajinder Sahota, Deputy Executive Officer, CARB
2023 Asilomar Steering Committee

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Thiemo Schalk, BMW
Gil Tal, University of California, Davis
Terry Travis, EVNoire
Sean Waters, Daimler Trucks
Cristoff Wolff, CEO Smart Freight Centre; Senior Fellow, ITS-Davis European Transport and Energy Research Centre
2023 Ride and Drives

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12th

BMW iX5

The BMW iX5 Hydrogen is an alternative energy variant of the fourth-gen BMW X5 (BMW G05). Utilizing hydrogen fuel, this fuel cell test vehicle has a system output of 295 kW (395 hp) & WLTP range of 504 km (313 miles), and can be refilled in 5 minutes.

TOYOTA MIRAI

Using fuel cell technology, the Mirai combines hydrogen with the air to make its own electricity. This second-generation Mirai brings an engaging driving performance with rear-wheel-drive and a range of 402 EPA-estimated miles on the Mirai XLE grade.

THURSDAY, JULY 13th

FORD F-150 Lightning

The F-150 Lightning brings stunning innovation, technologies and capabilities to the F-Series, America’s best-selling truck, combined with the power, payload and towing capability that is the hallmark of all Built Ford Tough trucks.

FORD Mustang Mach-E

The all-electric Mustang Mach-E brings the 0-60 mph thrills Mustang is famous for, in a sleek new package brimming with the latest technology and over-the-air Ford Power-Up software updates.

AMAZON Delivery E-Truck

A product of Amazon’s partnership with Rivian, these custom-made vehicles feature first-of-its-kind embedded technology that fully integrates the delivery workflow with the vehicle, enabling seamless access to routing, navigation, driver support and more.

RIVIAN R1S

With a 7-seat capacity, ample storage room, up to 390 mi per charge and 835 horsepower, the all-electric Rivian R1S is ready for all your family’s needs, whether on or off the road.