

**OPTION I – TRANSPORTATION**  
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**T**ransportation is an issue that challenges all regions—whether it be congestion on the roadways, too little mass transit, or lack of coordination between transportation agencies. Panelists will discuss how transportation is increasingly becoming a regional issue, with new initiatives cropping up across the country.

**PANELISTS**



**James W. Dyke's** (moderator) broad practice covers corporate, legislative, education, voting rights, governmental relations and municipal law. He formerly served as the group leader for the Tysons business group, co-chair of the education law team, and team leader for the Year 2000 Solutions Group. He also previously served as Virginia's Secretary of Education under former Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder, and as Domestic Policy Advisor to former Vice President Walter Mondale.

He is an active leader in the Northern Virginia business community having served as chairman of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce; chairman of the Northern Virginia Business Roundtable; chairman of the Northern Virginia Community College Educational Foundation; and chairman of the Emerging Business Forum, an organization focused on enhancing minority entrepreneurs' access to capital.

He has served or is serving on various commissions and committees including the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia ("SCHEV") and the Commission to Restructure Virginia's Tax Structure. He is a frequent speaker on educational, political and legal issues, including on Workforce Training at the 1998 World Congress on Information Technology.



**Cynthia J. Burbank** has worked for the U.S. DOT for 30 years, at FAA, FTA, OST, and FHWA. A member of the Senior Executive Service since 1991, she currently serves as Associate Administrator for Planning, Environment, and Realty for the FHWA. In this capacity, she oversees Federal policies, programs, and guidance for the acquisition of real property by all Federal agencies; FHWA's statewide, international, and metropolitan planning programs; and FHWA environmental programs and policies.

From 1974-1991, Ms. Burbank worked in a variety of capacities at US DOT, including positions at the Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, and the Office of the Secretary of Transportation.

She is a graduate of Georgetown University, with a degree in Economics, Phi Beta Kappa, and Magna Cum Laude. She also attended Duke University and Boston University.

At USDOT, Ms. Burbank has received over 20 awards, including the SES Meritorious Executive Award (twice), the DOT Silver Medal (twice), and the Eisenhower Medal. She is a native of Vermont, and lives in Alexandria, Virginia, with her husband and two children.

**Robert Healy** is the Director of Government Relations for the American Public Transportation Association (APTA). In this capacity, he acts as APTA's chief lobbyist for federal legislative issues that affect the transit industry on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. He also serves as staff advisor to APTA's Legislative Committee, which is APTA's policy-making body for legislative issues, and to the Washington Area Transit Industry Representatives Task Force.

Since coming to APTA in 1989, Mr. Healy has worked on a variety of legislative issues, including the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA 21), the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA), the Clean Air Act Amendments, annual appropriations, development of a National Transportation System (NTS), tax legislation, and commuter rail issues.

Before coming to APTA, he worked at the Democratic Study Group (DSG), in the U.S. House of Representatives, for twelve years. He also worked as a research director for the Dukakis Presidential Campaign in 1988.

In 1998, Rob led APTA's legislative effort on the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA 21) which provides guaranteed funding for the transit program through FY 2003. During the past several years APTA has focused on preserving those funding guarantees in the budget and appropriations process.

Most recently, Healy has been involved in the development and advocacy of APTA's recommendations for the reauthorization of TEA 21. Rob served as one of the staff advisors to the Reauthorization Task Force and the APTA Legislative Committee, both of which developed reauthorization recommendation approved by APTA's Board of Directors in 2002. These recommendations are the basis for APTA's advocacy effort on reauthorization with the U.S. Congress and the Bush Administration.



**John Parr** is a co-founder and principal of Denver-based Civic Results, a nonprofit organization that assists governments, businesses and non-profit institutions collaboratively plan and implement initiatives that create measurable change in the physical, social, civic and human infrastructure of communities and regions. He also serves as President/CEO of the Alliance for Regional Stewardship a national network of practitioners from the public, private and nonprofit sectors that are using metropolitan or rural regional approaches for community problem solving. John is an associate of the Citistates Group working on issues of regional governance in the United States.

John is a licensed attorney with extensive experience in public administration, strategic planning, mediation, public interest group management and political campaign organization. From 1985 to 1995 Mr. Parr served as President of the National Civic League (NCL) an organization devoted to the improvement of political and governmental institutions and processes and community problem solving.

John is a Lecturer in the Graduate School of Public Affairs at the University of Colorado. He has taught in programs at Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of California at Los Angeles, and the University of Denver. Articles he has written have appeared in publications ranging from the University of Chicago Policy Review to The Consensus Building Handbook.