



Peak to Peak

ACT, Rocky Mountain Chapter

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President's Message

Welcome to the summer edition of Peak to Peak!

We hope to see many of you at the upcoming ACT International Conference in Ahaheim, CA. The RMACT Board will host a dinner for all members— date and time to be announced. The full conference registration packet is posted on the ACT web page.

Also available on the ACT website is a valuable new publication by FHWA, *Mitigating Traffic Congestion: the Role of Demand Side Strategies*.

All RMACT members should have received a supply of the new ACT membership brochure. Remember that you will receive a gift card with the recruitment of a new RMACT member! For more information, call any Board member.

Warm Regards,

Lynn Rumbaugh

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RMACT President

National Update

On June 29, ACT and several partners co-hosted a net conference entitled *New Approaches to Reduced Car Use for Campus Communities*. The panelists, Spenser Havlick and Will Toor, discussed how campuses large and small are expanding transit access, enhancing bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and designing incentives that encourage less driving. The net conference was one of the most successful to date with more than 30 host locations around the country.

You can view this 84 minute presentation, including the question and answer session, by clicking on the link below. You can also obtain copies of their presentations at the same link. Windows Media Player is required to view the presentation.

<http://www.nctr.usf.edu/clearinghouse/netconference/netcampus.htm>

Mark Your Calendar!

ACT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Anaheim, CA - September 18-21

The ACT Conference registration packet has been posted to the ACT website at www.actweb.org. Full packets have also been mailed to all ACT members.

The deadline for early registration is August 19. Early registration provides you with a discount of \$150! The final registration deadline is September 8.

Transportation information for conference attendees is also posted on the ACT website.



TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT – BEST PRACTICES

Aurora, CO - August 26, 2005

For more information, visit <http://www.uli.org>.

INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

October 5, 2005

For more information, visit <http://www.walktoschool-usa.org>.

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RACT Member News

The Utah Transit Authority's RideShare Department recently organized a vanpool for Zion National Park employees in southern Utah. The vanpool will carry up to 15 riders daily from La Verkin to Zion National Park, saving approximately 138,000 vehicle miles and 7,000 gallons of gas per year!

"This was an exciting opportunity to help the park service with their congestion and environmental concerns," said Rideshare-Vanpool Supervisor Scott Miklos. "It was also nice to see how eager park employees were to leave their vehicles at home and use the vanpool for their 25-mile commute to work."

Zion National Park has been recognized as a national leader in energy conservation and sustainable design and management practices. Due to the Park's isolated location, many employees commute 25 miles or more each day from outlying communities. Park authorities have recognized that commuting to work individually does not correspond with the Park's conservation mission or its designation by the EPA as a climate friendly park. In fact, Zion is already trying to secure another van to accommodate commuting employees.

Congratulations to the Utah Transit Authority and Zion National Park! To share your news with other RMACT members, please email lynnb@ci.aspen.co.us.

Best Workplaces for Commuters

Best Workplaces for Commuters (BWC) is a voluntary program offering national recognition to employers who provide superior commuter benefits. Like other *Best Of* lists, BWC distinguishes outstanding employers, including those from the FORTUNE 500.

On October 19, EPA will release the 2005 list of the Best Workplaces for CommutersSM from the FORTUNE 500. This announcement provides a fresh opportunity to recruit these companies in your community.

If there are no headquarters offices in your area, check for FORTUNE 500 worksites which could qualify for the BWC designation.

To support you in your recruiting efforts, EPA has created a *Marketing Toolkit* with sample letters, featured articles, frequently asked questions, a list of participating FORTUNE 500 companies by state and a complete list of the 2005 FORTUNE 500. Check it out at: www.bwc.gov/suppor/network-f500.htm.