

# Transportation Curriculum Coordination Council (TCCC)

Addressing Challenges in Construction, Materials and Maintenance Workforce Quality





#### **Topics of Discussion**

- Training & Certification NESMEA/NEAUPG
- What is the TCCC?
- Workforce Development Challenges
- Accomplishments
- Current Activities Underway
- Future Opportunities





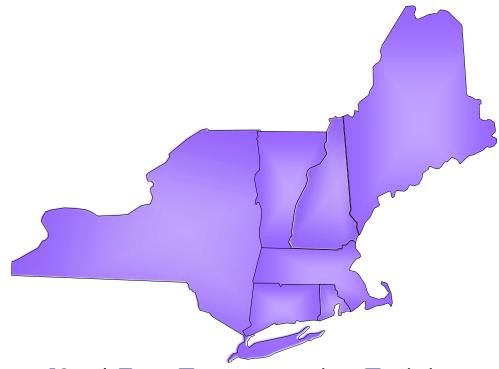
# Training & Certification within NESMEA and NEAUPG States





#### **NETTCP**

- Training & Certification for Construction/Materials Inspectors and Technicians (provides reciprocity)
- 1995 Non-Profit organization (New England States)
- 2008 NYSDOT became member State



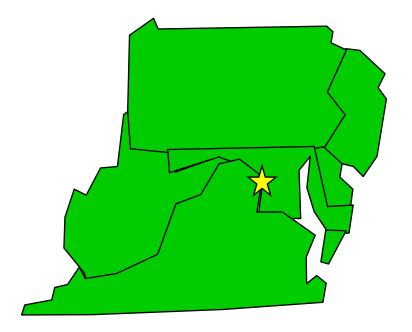
NorthEast Transportation Training & Certification Program





#### **MARTCP**

- Training & Certification for Construction/Materials Inspectors and Technicians (provides reciprocity)
- Late 1990's Organization of Mid-Atlantic States



Mid-Atlantic Regional Training & Certification Program





What is the TCCC?





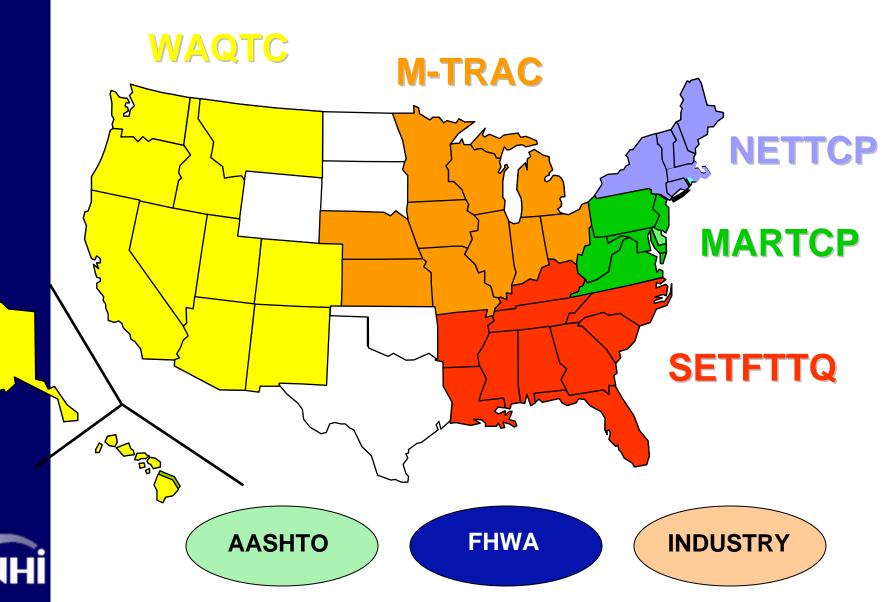
#### TCCC

- A National Federal/State/Industry partnership that supports training of construction/materials & other personnel
- TCCC Goals/Mission:
  - ☐ Establish and maintain a national core curriculum for various transportation disciplines
  - ☐ Identify training and certification requirements
  - □ Coordinate/facilitate training and certification efforts
  - Develop training materials
  - ☐ Support agency training efforts





#### TCCC Member Organizations



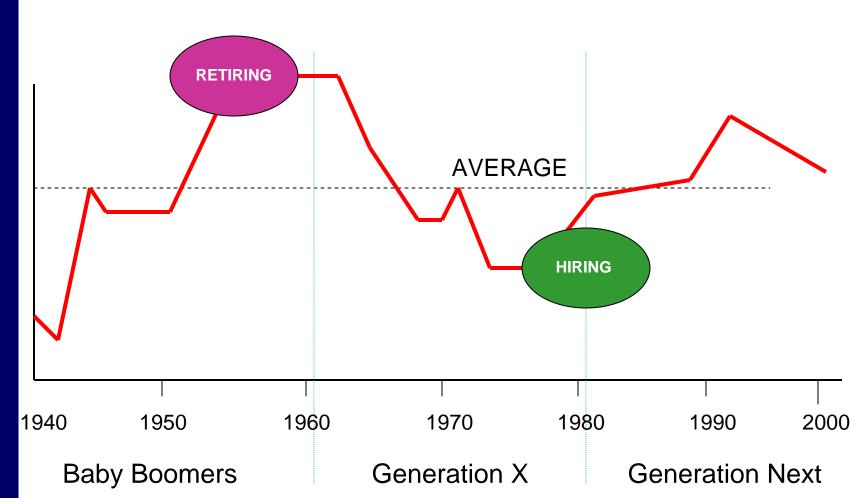


# Workforce Development Challenges





#### **US Birth Rates**







#### **Workforce Facts**

- A 2005 report showed that there are about 950,000 vacant positions in the construction skilled trades area
- It is estimated that this could rise to one million within a couple of years
- A career in the construction industry was rated 498<sup>th</sup> out of 500 by high school students and their parents





TCCC Accomplishments





#### TCCC Current Activities

- National Training Database
- Training development
- E-Learning





#### National Training Database

- National Partners/contributors:
  - TCCC, NTTD, LTAP, Regional Groups
  - AASHTO, TRB, ITE
- Locating existing training from a variety of disciplines within construction/materials and maintenance
- Assist in gap analysis for new course development





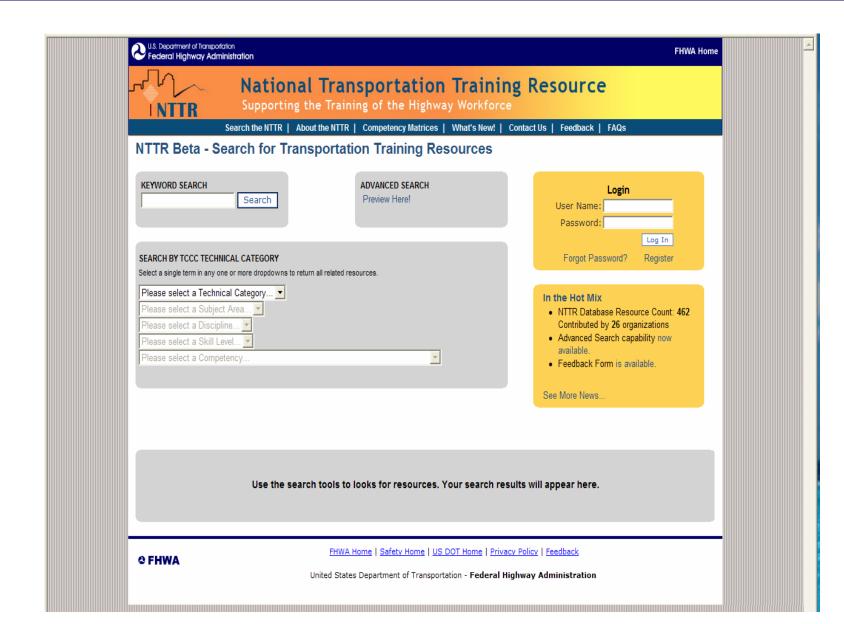
#### Training Products Database

- Complete data on training courses
  - objectives, level, audience, tests, manuals, contacts, etc.
- Review and link to competencies by level
- Maintain online searchable training database
  - more than 50 subject areas





#### National Training Database (NTTR)







# Completed Web Based Training

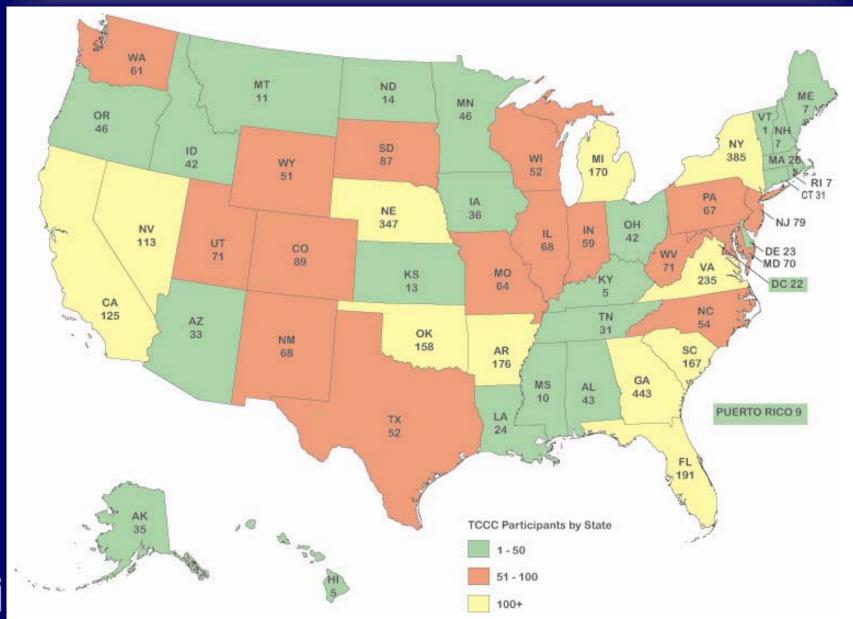
- FHWA-NHI-131117
  - Basic Materials for Highway and Structure Construction and Maintenance
- FHWA-NHI-131122
  - Portland Cement Concrete Paving Inspection
- FHWA-NHI-134069
  - Ethics Awareness for the Transportation Industry
- FHWA-NHI-134071
  - Basic Construction and Maintenance Documentation -Improving the Daily Diary

- FHWA-NHI-134072
  - Math Module
- FHWA-NHI-134075\*
  - Hardened ConcreteProperties Durability
- FHWA-NHI-134078
  - GPS Technology
- FHWA-NHI-134081
  - Plan Reading
- FHWA-NHI-134084\*
  - Fundamentals of Materials Used for Concrete Pavements





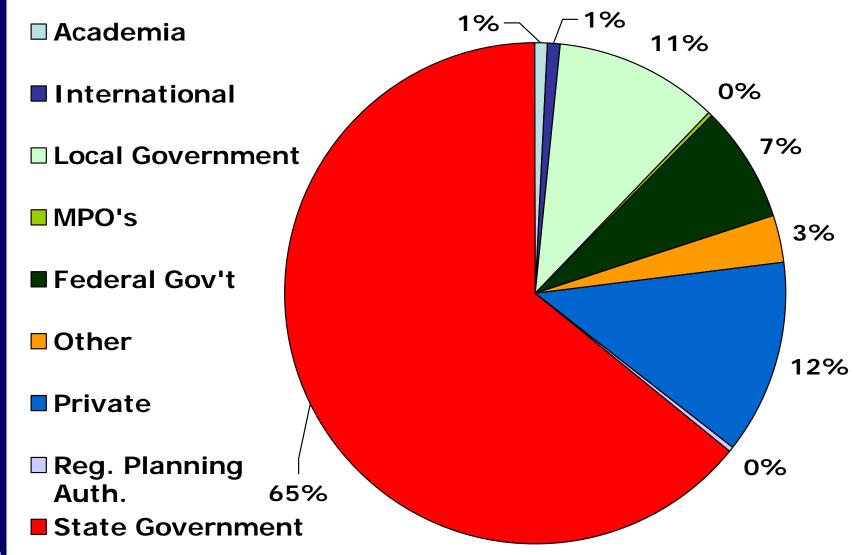
#### NHI Website Training Numbers – Participants by State







#### NHI Website Training Numbers – Participants by Industry Type







#### TCCC Trainings Shared with States

- States TCCC has shared training with:
  - Lowa
  - Texas
  - Maryland
  - Minnesota
  - Alabama
  - North Dakota
  - South Carolina
- Use with Intranets and LMSs
- Some States make TCCC training required
  - Math Module for Supervisors Minnesota (357)
  - Ethics Awareness Statewide Alabama (3,428)





# Total Participants Training Numbers

Course Number	NHI	States (Shared)	Total
FHWA-NHI-131117	527	57	584
FHWA-NHI-131122	55	13	68
FHWA-NHI-134069	499	3482	3981
FHWA-NHI-134071	398	98	496
FHWA-NHI-134072	332	399	731
FHWA-NHI-134075	203	19	222
FHWA-NHI-134078	468	38	506
FHWA-NHI-134081	927	45	972
FHWA-NHI-134084	225	23	248
FHWA-NHI-134085	128	17	145
FHWA-NHI-134087	200	16	216
FHWA-NHI-134095	75		75
FHWA-NHI-134096	58		58
FHWA-NHI-134097	11		11
FHWA-NHI-134098	18		18
FHWA-NHI-134100	9		9
FHWA-NHI-134101	7		7
FHWA-NHI-134102	4		4
Totals	4140	4207	8347



<sup>\*</sup>Participant totals only include Iowa, Texas, Minnesota, and Alabama at this time



# **Evaluation Average Scores**

Course Number	Course Title	Score
FHWA-NHI-131117	Basic Materials for Highway and Structure Construction and Maintenance	4.20
FHWA-NHI-131122	Portland Cement Concrete Paving Inspection	
FHWA-NHI-134069	Ethics Awareness for the Transportation Industry	4.17
FHWA-NHI-134071	Basic Construction and Maintenance Documentation - Improving the Daily Diary	4.55
FHWA-NHI-134072	Math Module	4.12
FHWA-NHI-134075	Hardened Concrete Properties - Durability	4.24
FHWA-NHI-134078	GPS Technology	4.37
FHWA-NHI-134081	Plan Reading	3.96
FHWA-NHI-134084	Fundamentals of Materials Used for Concrete Pavements	4.36
FHWA-NHI-134085	Incompatibility in Concrete Pavement Systems	4.37
FHWA-NHI-134087	Mix Design Principles	4.48
FHWA-NHI-134095	Early Age Cracking	4.34
FHWA-NHI-134096	Basics of Cement Hydration	4.08
FHWA-NHI-134097	Fresh Properties	
FHWA-NHI-134098	Construction of Concrete Pavements	
FHWA-NHI-134100	QCQA for Concrete Pavements	
FHWA-NHI-134101	Design of Pavement	4.40
FHWA-NHI-134102	Troubleshooting for Concrete Pavements	





# What Participants Are Saying

- FHWA-NHI-134081 (Plan Reading)
   For me it was a satisfactory program because it reinforced some of the things I already [knew] and got exposure in other areas I have not had prior experience.
- FHWA-NHI-134078 (GPS Technology)
   I am in construction inspection, though I have been on projects with paper plans and electronic data, I have not been on a project where GPS was directly employed in field construction. This course was a good exposure for me.
- FHWA-NHI-134075 (Hardened Concrete Properties) It refreshes some concepts I have not used in a while and provided an understanding of new ones. The course was definitely relevant to some aspects of construction inspection.





# What Participants Are Saying

- FHWA-NHI-134087 (Mix Design Principles)
   The course provided an updated knowledge in the subject area presented.
- FHWA-NHI-134095 (Early Age Cracking)
  Course presented a clear understanding of early age cracking in concrete.
- FHWA-NHI-134069 (Ethics Awareness)
   I liked the online method. It suited my work schedule. Course was good for all areas of DOT but especially for Quality Assurance personnel.
- FHWA-NHI-134071 (Basic Documentation)
  I think this is a great opportunity for all of us! And it's great to be able to have this material to learn or refresh at a push of a button!





# Current Activities Underway





# Training Development In Progress

- FHWA-NHI-131121
  - Construction of PCC Pavements
- FHWA-NHI-131126
  - Concrete Pavement Preservation
- FHWA-NHI-131127
  - Concrete Series (IMCP Manual)
- FHWA-NHI-134074
  - Bolted Connections
- FHWA-NHI-380098
  - Maintenance of Traffic for Technicians

- FHWA-NHI-380099
  - Maintenance of Traffic for Supervisors
- FHWA-NHI-131128
  - Self Consolidating Concrete
- FHWA-NHI-134105
  - Surveying
- FHWA-NHI-134106
  - Pipe Inspection
- FHWA-NHI-380101
  - Safety Orientation





Future Opportunities





### Marketing Efforts

- NHI Website Single Login Feature
- NHI "Blue Line" sheets
- Executive Summary
- "On the Go" training





#### "On the Go" Training

- MP4 Players
- Increased mobility and accessibility
  - Reach a larger audience
  - Provide on-demand training as the participants require
- Multiple formats
  - Desktop
  - Laptop
  - Portable (Phone/PDA)





#### Supporting TCCC

#### How can State Partners Support TCCC:

- Provide financial support to Pooled Fund (TPF – 5(209))
- Volunteer for Technical Panels for Course Development
- Contribute a course to the NTTR that you or your state/organization has developed
- Volunteer on TCCC committees that collect, analyze and develop training resources





#### For Information

For more information, visit:

# www.nhi.fhwa.dot/tccc

Or contact:

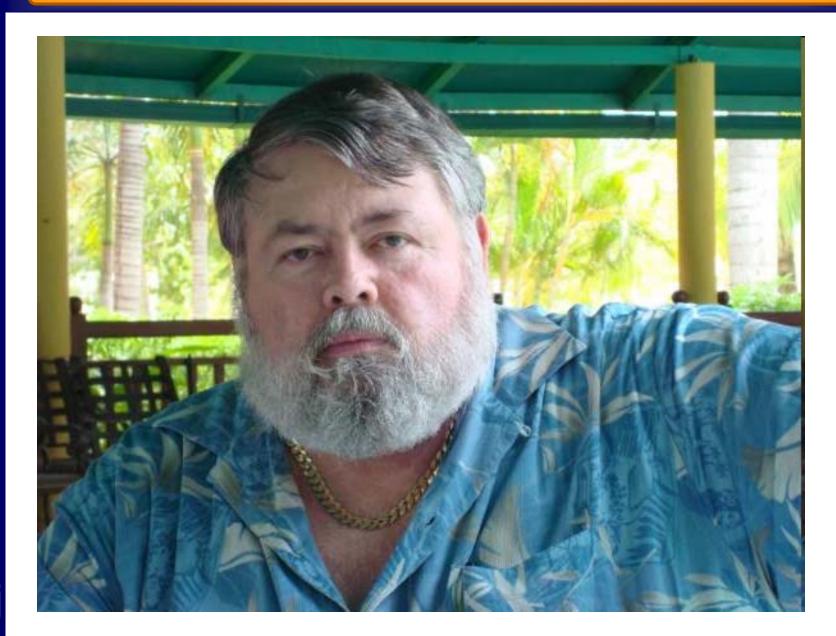
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# Thank you Jim Sorenson







#### Resource Center Training/Workshops

 Transportation Construction Quality Assurance (FHWA-NHI-134064)

 Construction Program Management & Inspection Workshop (FHWA-NHI-134061)

 Contract Administration Core Curriculum Workshop (FHWA-NHI-134077)





# Thank You

#### Questions?



