

TRB Transit Planning and Development Committee Membership Guidelines

The TRB transit planning committee welcomes all that would like to help with committee activities. Because TRB limits the size of its committees, only a limited number of people can be formal members of the committee.

The procedure we use to find committee members is to first add people to the friends list. This means you will get any email that goes to the committee and more importantly you may be assigned to review some papers in August of each year. Committee friends are treated the same as members and can be very active in committee business.

We need members who can be active on the committee and help with the workload. Starting with paper reviews is a good way to find out how active people can be. We want people who will help with the work of the committee over time. Being able to attend the annual meeting of TRB on a regular basis is also a plus.

We also are looking for people from a variety of locations, agencies and backgrounds. The committee has people from private consulting agencies, universities, planning agencies, transit agencies, local, state and federal government organizations and international organizations. Typically, we have the hardest time finding people from transit agencies or local government who can attend the annual meeting.

Because of the large number of papers the committee receives, committee members will be expected to review 4 or 5 papers (could be more) per year. If for some reason you cannot do this in a particular year, please notify the committee chair immediately. Failure to do this may lead to being dropped from membership.

By TRB rule, we cannot have more than one person from the same organization. TRB also allows additional members from outside the U.S. and Canada and has special slots for younger members

Let us know what kind of papers or topics you could review. We especially have an ongoing need for people who feel comfortable reviewing highly analytical papers. If you have a brief resume, please send it to Brendon Hemily, committee chair and paper review coordinator for the committee.

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