

**AASHTO Spring Meeting, May 15, 2009
Special Committee on U.S. Route Numbering
Bedford, Pennsylvania
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present:

Chair and Region 2 Member: Mr. D. W. Vaughn, AL
 Region 1 Member: Mr. Kenneth Sweeny, ME
 Region 3 Member: Mr. Kevin Keith, MO
 AASHTO Secretary: Ms. Marty Vitale
 AASTHO: Mr. Jim McDonnell
 Corridor Steel Pipe Association: Mr. Michael McGough

At its meeting on May 15, 2009, 7:00 a.m., in Bedford, Pennsylvania, the AASHTO Special Committee on U.S. Route Numbering approved all but one of the 18 applications as submitted from six states and the District of Columbia. Region 4 Member, Ms. Cathy Nelson, OR, was not present. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 a.m. and the committee took the following actions:

<i>Member Department</i>	<i>Action by USRN Committee</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado US 85 	Approved.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado US 87 	Approved.
Letter to FHWA from AASHTO on Application Regarding Interstate Route: Elimination of I-295 in Southeast Washington, DC and extend I-695 to maintain system continuity between I-395 and I-295/DC-295	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District of Columbia I-295 	Conditional – pending FHWA Concurrence.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District of Columbia I-695 	Conditional – pending FHWA Concurrence.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Florida I-295 	Concur with I-295 designation, but can only be referred to as “ Future I-295 ” until officially added to the Interstate System by FHWA.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nevada US 395 	All Approved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2009 SM Nevada US-395 (Relocate) • 2009 SM Nevada US-395 (Temporary) • 2009 SM Nevada US-395 Business (Recognition)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nevada US 50 	All Approved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2009 SM Nevada US-50 (Relocate) • 2009 SM Nevada US-50 (Temporary) • 2009 SM Nevada US-50 Business (Recognition)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Carolina I-485 	Concur with I-485 designation but can only be referred to as “ Future I-485 ” until officially added to the Interstate System by FHWA.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Carolina US 64 US 64 (Alt) 	Not approved. Rules do not permit using an Alternate US Route if traffic volumes do not justify, for the purpose of keeping an obsolete section on the US numbered system after a new routing has been constructed and available to traffic. (disapproved applications are not linked)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oklahoma US 64 Business 	Approved.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pennsylvania US 209 	<p>Approved.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pennsylvania US 219 	<p>Approved.</p>

The special committee also discussed and approved a proposal to revise the purpose and policy for U.S. Numbered Bicycle Routes. The current policy was adopted on October 14, 1979 and revised on June 30, 1982.

The revisions approved were that:

1. U.S. Bicycle Routes must connect two or more states, a state and or international border, or two or more U.S. Bicycle Routes and
2. State DOT's will affirm that routes chosen for a U.S. Bicycle Route are appropriate for bicycling. (This affirmation through the AASHTO Guide for Development of Bicycle Facilities and/or state policies and procedures for selecting bicycle routes).

The Bicycle Route policy will be posted on-line to guide states wishing to make application.

The special committee also discussed NCHRP 20-7-228, which is the effort to develop an electronic inventory of U.S. numbered highways. This will provide an electronic database for maintenance of committee records and create a web-based application process to better serve member departments. Mike McGough, the Task Coordinator, reported to the special committee that the prototype should be up and running in about 30 days and available to the states a few weeks later.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
D. W. Vaughn, Chair
5/15/09 (Linnea Austin)