

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON U.S. ROUTE NUMBERING
Room 2 Jekyll Island Convention Center, Georgia

MAY 5, 2006

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Chair Mike Behrens, TX at 7:00 AM. All members were present from each region, Ken Sweeney, ME, Don Vaughn, AL, Kevin Keith, MO and Marty Vitale, AASHTO (Secretary).

Orders of the Day

The meeting minutes from the September 17, 2005 meeting were accepted. The presentation Tennessee Renaming **I-181** from US DOT dated March 16, 2006, was reviewed. The committee work plan for 2006 was accepted. Thirty-two US Route Numbering Applications from 13 member departments were reviewed and all were approved by the committee.

Unfinished Business

The committee discussed working under a new process to provide more timely review and responses to member department requests for route numbering. The committee agrees that all request be submitted electronically, assembled at AASHTO, distributed to the committee quarterly (electronically) and hold conference calls when necessary. The Texas member department has undertaken the task is presently working on the digital security of the future electronic application.

Further discussion included addressing the 1989 U.S. Number Highway Publication. Not only is there a need to update the current publication but also that of the U.S. Bike Routes. The committee believes that a development of an electronic process for updating future route numbering changes electronically would be of great value. The committee discussed the request made to NCHRP 20-7 for research funds. [May 6, 2006 - Funds for the project were approved.]

A special request was considered and approved by the committee to designate Georgia State Route 520 (Jekyll Island Causeway) as **I-50** for one day, May 7, 2006, to accommodate the vintage car ride in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Interstate.

The meeting adjourned 7:50 AM

Respectfully submitted May 16, 2006 by
Marty Vitale, Secretary