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**Caltrans /FBA /Tech Transfer Work Zone Traffic Safety Conference
November 4th, 2011**

Each April during the National Work Zone Awareness Week Caltrans hosts a Work Zone Traffic Safety Conference. UC Berkeley Institute of Transportation Studies (ITS) Tech Transfer Program schedules work zone related training for the conference. Caltrans staffs meet with traffic control industry representatives from the Flasher Barricade Association (FBA) to showcase new work zone products and to discuss ideas for improving work zone safety.

This year during the 2 day conference we had close to 200 participants. Those participants included Caltrans staff, traffic engineering officials from cities and counties, utility companies' traffic managers, traffic control contractors, product vendors, and manufacturers.

Caltrans staffs and local officials from Southern California enjoyed the conference and asked to schedule similar training / trade show down south. FBA has an annual meeting in Santa Ana and has gratefully provided the facility to host this one-day training for everyone.

One of the most popular topics during the April conference was the Pedestrian Accessibility in Work Zone Presentation. This topic will be repeated at our November conference. FBA members will showcase temporary traffic control devices intended to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility requirements. Safety devices such as Tuck Mounted Attenuators will be shown as well.

End of the year is around the corner. By federal mandate California would need to be in substantial conformance with the 2009 federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). The draft version of 2011 California MUTCD has been completed. The afternoon portion of the conference is focused on the changes to the new California MUTCD Part 6 "Temporary Traffic Control".

All work zone professionals are welcome. People from both public and private sectors have found the conference helpful. Please join us at the Work Zone Safety Conference on November 4th, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1325 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana, California. For more information, please contact Gordon Wang by email at gordon_wang@dot.ca.gov.

To register please call Berkeley ITS Tech Transfer Program at (510)665-3410 or register on-line at <http://www.techtransfer.berkeley.edu/training/>

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Embassy Suites Hotel, 1325 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Safer Work Zones for Pedestrians

10:00-10:05AM	Sign-in and distribute materials	-Berkeley ITS
10:05-10:15AM	Welcome and Intros	-Darold Heikens
10:15-11:15AM	Pedestrian accessibility in work zone presentation	-Joe Horton, Tim Cox
11:15-11:30AM	Overview of Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA)	-Eric Jones
11:30-12Noon	ADA related product and TMA demonstration.	-FBA members
12Noon – 1PM	Lunch / Event Picture	
1:00-1:10PM	UC Berkeley ITS Tech Transfer Intro	-Laura Melendy
1:10-2:50PM	Break-out sessions. Work zone trainees: CA MUTCD Part 6 update FBA Vendors: Setup for Vendors Night	-Gordon Wang -FBA members
2:50-3:00PM	Break	
3:00-4:00PM	Vendor show	



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