Perspectives on Disaster Responses

Recovery
Promote a recovery process for transportation networks – and subsequently of communities overall – that results in a greater level of resilience.
• Most disaster planning has focused on immediate response (the CNN phase)
• Recovery planning is a relatively new
• Transportation is a key to community recovery
Strategic Guidance Document

- Relationship of transportation recovery with overall community recovery
- Local/state/tribal/Federal roles
- Federal system and funding programs available
- Comprehensive resource website
• Alternate routes and methods of travel
  – Secondary roads vs highway interchanges
    • Fourth of July exit plan in Washington, DC
  – Public transportation vs private cars
    • Bus bridge following Hurricane Katrina
    • Ferries when bridges were damaged in California earthquakes
• **Building to a superior standard**
  – Improving materials and construction methods
  – Using Intelligent Transportation Systems technologies

• **Improving transportation links in community**
  – Recognizing change in community from before disaster
  – Recognizing change in community due to disaster
  – Encouraging “smart growth” patterns through transportation options