

SUBJECT: Ensuring Appropriate DOT Support to World Cup, Olympics, and Other Major Events

1. **PURPOSE:** This Order establishes the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) policies, programs, and activities to provide appropriate transportation-related support to major U.S. hosted events (Major Events) and formalizes a framework for DOT to coordinate transportation interests with respect to these events.
2. **CANCELLATION:** None
3. **APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE:** This Order applies to the following Operating Administrations (OAs) and Secretarial Offices in the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST). Additional offices and OAs may be added at the discretion of the Secretary.
 - a. Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy (S3)
 - i. Office of the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy (OST-P)
 - ii. Office of the Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs (OST-X)
 - iii. Office of the Assistant Secretary for Multimodal Freight (OST-F)
 - iv. Build America Bureau (OST-Z)
 - b. Office of the General Counsel (OGC)
 - c. Office of Budget (OST-B)
 - d. Office of Governmental Affairs (OST-I)
 - e. Office of Public Liaison (OPL)
 - f. Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response (S60)
 - g. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
 - h. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
 - i. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA)
 - j. Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
 - k. Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
4. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Order is effective on its date of execution.
5. **POLICIES:**
 - a. DOT's overall coordination of transportation interests with respect to Major Events will be overseen by a non-career Senior Coordinating Official (SCO) within the Office of the Secretary. This official will also represent DOT on any Federal task force or other organizing groups, as directed by the Secretary.
 - b. Departmental coordination is to be conducted through a DOT Major Events Working Group (MEWG). The MEWG will report to the SCO and will be led by an OST-Policy career official (MEWG Lead). The MEWG shall include the OAs and offices identified in Section 3, as well as any others determined to be necessary by the Secretary.
6. **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- a. Senior Coordinating Official (SCO): The SCO oversees the overall efforts related to Major Events, including the MEWG, and reports to the Secretary.
- b. Heads of Secretarial Offices and Operating Administrations (OAs): Each OA and Secretarial office identified under Section 3 shall identify a senior non-career and a senior career official to be the designated representatives to the MEWG for that office or OA. These officials will work with the MEWG to execute policy and programmatic actions tasked to their office or OA in relation to Major Events, including technical assistance.
- c. Under Secretary (S3): OST-P will lead overall policy direction and coordination of the Department's implementation efforts. OST-X will provide support and policy direction on travel and tourism, aviation, cross-border, and other international affairs matters. OST-F will provide support to ensure freight transportation requirements are considered and deconflicted with passenger transportation demands, in conjunction with Major Events. OST-Z will provide expertise where DOT financing programs may be leveraged to support Major Events.
- d. Office of the General Counsel (OGC): OGC will support the MEWG by ensuring legal compliance of DOT efforts related to Major Events.
- e. OST-Budget (OST-B): OST-B will support the MEWG by ensuring that existing Departmental resources are used appropriately with regards to Major Events and will provide TA and other support on supplemental funding legislation that advances through Congress. OST-B will also provide support in assessing unmet budgetary needs by coordination across the OAs.
- f. Office of Governmental Affairs (OST-I): OST-I will manage relationships and interaction with Members of Congress and Committees, as well as State and local governments. In addition, OST-I will work with the MEWG and OAs to manage future legislation in furtherance of Major Event-related objectives identified by the Department.
- g. Office of Public Liaison (OPL): OPL will manage engagement with communities on behalf of the Secretary and promote greater visibility and access to DOT policies, programs, and resources, in close coordination with the MEWG.
- h. Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response (S60): S60 will lead on interagency coordination involving national security planning related to Major Events, in close coordination with the MEWG.
- i. Operating Administrations (OAs): OAs are primarily responsible for overseeing implementation of policy and programmatic actions tasked to their OA in relation

to Major Events, including technical assistance, in close coordination with the MEWG and other OAs.

- j. The MEWG is responsible for the following:
- i. Coordinate DOT activities for Major Events, as directed by the SCO, through the MEWG Lead.
 - ii. Coordinate and deliver to the Secretary reporting and action requirements as directed by any Federal task force and similar bodies.
 - iii. Convene executive working sessions of DOT and relevant stakeholders, as directed.
 - iv. Through the DOT Chief Travel and Tourism Officer, coordinate with the Department of Commerce's Tourism Policy Council along with coordination of international policy and affairs as required by DOT Order 1240.5A, Coordination Requirements for International Policy Activities and Meetings.
 - v. Create and maintain an external DOT website for Major Events.
 - vi. Review DOT authorities, funding, and policies to identify flexibilities, programmatic changes, and other opportunities that DOT could proactively offer to support these Major Events. Areas of focus may include, but are not limited to, plans for test runs, funding flexibilities, freight and passenger congestion, and public outreach campaigns.

7. DISCLAIMER: This Order is intended to improve the internal management of DOT and is not intended, nor does it, create any rights, benefits, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by a party against DOT, its OAs, its officers, or any person. Nor should this Order be construed to create any right to judicial review involving the compliance or noncompliance with this Order by DOT, its OAs, or any other person.



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