

Geohazards Impacting Transportation in the Appalachia Region

12th Technical Forum | July 31 to August 2, 2012 | Beckley, WV

Sponsor/Exhibitor Solicitation

The 2012 Annual Technical Forum will be held at the Tamarack (www.tamarackwv.com), Beckley, WV on July 31 to August 2, 2012. The Appalachian States Coalition for Geohazards in Transportation will be hosted by the West Virginia Department of Transportation and sponsored by the Nick J. Rahall, II Appalachian Transportation Institute (RTI) and Marshall University Center for Environmental, Geotechnical and Applied Sciences (CEGAS). This year's technical sessions will focus on rock falls and rock slopes, landslides, role of water on geological hazards, karst issues, foundations in difficult ground, hydrogeology, seismic issues, emergency response, innovation in research, risk assessment, investigation methods in hazard prone areas. In addition, this year's event will include a pre-conference field trip on July 31, 2012.

Sponsorships are being solicited from a variety of interested business parties for this year's Technical Forum. Exhibitors provide a unique opportunity for presentation of additional information while creating an atmosphere for participants to interact beyond the confines of the conference rooms that would not be possible without your support. Any and all donations are appreciated and will help the hosts to maintain a high quality conference.

You will also have a chance to exhibit, display, and talk about your program, services and products with a large and interested audience, consisting of consultants, contractors, and representatives of state and federal agencies involved with planning, monitoring, design, and construction of transportation systems. At the last conference held in Chattanooga, 120 participants attended.

Sponsorships will be welcome at any time. By mid-July 2012, the conference program will be finalized; therefore, any listing in the program after that time will not be available. Spaces for exhibitors will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. We hope to be able to accommodate all interested parties, but exhibitor's space is limited.

For information or questions concerning conference sponsorships or exhibition space, please contact **Teresa Buckland** (304) 696-3568, buckland@marshall.edu.

For those interested in Sponsorships or Exhibitor Space are encouraged to further participate in the Technical Forum by submitting abstracts for technical presentations.