

Annual Spring Rail Conference

Amtrak's National Network Trains Tying our country's passenger rail system together

National Association of Railroad Passengers – Northwest (AK, ID, MT, OR, WA)
All Aboard Washington
Association of Oregon Rail and Transit Advocates

Saturday March 17, 2012 in Whitefish, MT – 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Lodge at Whitefish Lake
1380 Wisconsin Avenue – 877-887-4026

Featured Speakers

Mr. Joseph Szabo – Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration (Invited)
Mr. Joe McHugh – Vice President, Government Affairs and Corporate Communications, Amtrak
Mr. Doug McBroom – Chief, Multimodal Program Bureau, Montana Dept. of Transportation
Mr. Bob Stewart – Chairman, NARP
Representatives of Montana's Governor and Congressional delegation

Program includes

Presentations on the importance of Amtrak's National Network Trains
Panel discussion on how rail advocates can support the National Network Trains
Reports on state rail advocacy activities in the Northwest
Reports on national passenger rail events

Meeting time: Registration and continental breakfast begins at 7:30 AM. Meeting will start at 9:00 AM. Social time and luncheon start at 12:00 noon. Program will conclude by 5:00 PM.

Early Registration Fee: \$65 per person (postmarked by March 8). The registration fee includes continental breakfast, luncheon buffet, all day beverage service, afternoon snacks and some of the room and other meeting expenses. **For all registrations postmarked after March 8 please add a \$10 surcharge to the above fee.**

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Continental Breakfast: Juices, fresh fruit, assorted breads and pastries.

Luncheon Buffet: Honey Dipped Fried Chicken; Deli Sandwiches with Cured Ham, Smoked Turkey Breast and Roasted Beef and with Swiss, Monterey Jack and Cheddar Cheeses; green and potato salads; fresh fruit and desert.

Travel to the meeting: Use the *Empire Builder* from the west or east. Overnight stay not needed if traveling from the west. Two night stay needed from the east. See reverse for train and hotel information.

_____ Number attending Conference with Buffet at early registration rate of \$65 (\$75 postmarked after March 8)

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Additional donation of \$_____ to help defray meeting expenses. Please consider a donation even if you cannot attend.

Take a step and become a **Meeting Sponsor** with an additional donation of \$100 or more: \$ _____

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The registration fee of \$65 is for registrations postmarked by March 8. After March 8 please add a \$10 surcharge. All donations above the registration fees are tax deductible. For online registration and hotel and train information see reverse.

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Online registration:

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Lodging:

Special Hotel Room Rate: starting at \$99.00 double or single (in the Viking Lodge) plus tax. Limited Availability.
Reservations: 877-887-4026. You must mention the National Assoc. of Railroad Passengers conference to receive the special rates.
Online reservations: tinyurl.com/march17whitefish Enter Group ID of **narp** and password of **railroad** to access the group rate.
If you arrive on the *Empire Builder* before March 17 let the hotel know that you will need shuttle service from the station.

Empire Builder:

Amtrak has a special 20% off coach fare sale from selected *Empire Builder* cites for travel to and from Whitefish if you book by February 13. Upgrades to sleeper are allowed. To book the special fare you must go to tinyurl.com/empirebuilderwhitefish and click on the Book It Now button.

- Check here if you will be arriving on the eastbound *Empire Builder* (train 8/28) on Saturday morning March 17 so we will know how many people need shuttle service to the hotel.

All contributions above your \$65 registration are tax deductible as allowed by law.

Thank you for your support. We hope to see you in Whitefish!