

Participant Logistics Information

Week 2, September 12-17, 2010

Pueblo Marriott

110 West 1st Street, Pueblo CO

DATES and TIMES:

Week 2 will have a similar schedule to Week 1, beginning with dinner at 5:30 pm Sunday evening, September 12th, and concluding by 11:00am Friday, September 17th. With the exception of Wednesday, Sept. 15th, when we will visit the Transportation Technology Center, and a field trip scheduled for the morning of Thursday, Sept. 16th, the course delivery will meet in the Murphy-Sitter Room at the Pueblo Marriott, and will begin at 7:50am and conclude around 5:00pm. Lunches will be provided Monday through Thursday; and with the exception of Sunday and Wednesday evenings, dinners will be at your leisure.

TRAVEL PLANS:

The most convenient air service to Pueblo is through Colorado Springs, which is about 50 miles North of Pueblo. From Colorado Springs you will need to rent a car for the drive to and from Pueblo. Pooling is encouraged; we suggest that you team up at the airport and share rides to Pueblo. You should plan to arrive in Colorado Springs no later than 4:00pm Sunday, September 12th in order to arrive in time for the kick-off dinner reception. When booking departure flights for Friday, September 17th, try to make reservations from Colorado Springs after 2:00pm. We will adjourn before Noon on Friday, so flights after 2:00 can be made. If flights from Colorado Springs don't seem to work, Denver is 90 miles North of Pueblo and one can fly into there as well. Please call Dennis at 517-353-4452 if you will be arriving later than expected due to late flights and/or connections.

SUNDAY EVENING DINNER RECEPTION:

The week will again kick off with a 5:30pm dinner reception on Sunday evening, Sept. 12th. The dinner reception will be held at Tony's Chop House, 2930 North Elizabeth Street, in Pueblo. Driving from the Marriott, take I-25 North to Exit 101 (29th Street), go left to Elizabeth Street, turn right. Tony's is roughly ½ block on the right. Our speaker Sunday evening will be Charles Powell, Senior Manager-Equipment Standards, Transportation Technology Center, Inc. The dress code will be business casual.

LODGING INFORMATION:

We will be staying at the Pueblo Marriott Hotel, 110 West 1st Street, Pueblo, Colorado. From I-25, exit at 98B, and turn right onto 1st Street. The Marriott will be on the left side of the street. So that we can be sure a room is reserved for you on the correct dates, please send an email to Cheryl at slamka@msu.edu to notify us of your travel plans when you have them finalized. Room and tax will be master billed to MSU for the nights of September 12-17 (checking out September 17th). There is a free exercise room available for Marriott guests. Should you need to contact the Pueblo Marriott, the telephone number is 719-542-3200.

CLASS READINGS:

The readings for Week 2 will soon be posted to raileducation.com. The Week 2 readings need to be downloaded and reviewed / skimmed prior to coming to Pueblo. Refer to the section in Week 1's Information Sheet regarding the readings to see how we suggest you treat the Week 2 assigned readings.

DRESS CODE:

Business casual at night and on Friday, but jeans are acceptable during the day when we'll be at the Marriott or TTC . Check the long range weather forecast for that area prior to coming.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

We will be furnished safety glasses and hard hats while we're on the grounds at the Technology Center and at the steel mill. However, if you want to climb around rail cars and locomotives, bring safety shoes, as they are required for this activity.

We are here to assist you with the preparations for Week 2. It should be an interesting and memorable week. Please feel free to contact any of us if you need help or more information. This will also be posted on www.raileducation.com under the participant section. See you on September 12th!

Dennis and Cheryl