Session 16:

Addressing the Costs of Design Aesthetics by Measuring the Benefits

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Authoritative Basis for CSD, CSS, Visual Quality & Aesthetics

- Highway Beautification Act of 1965
- Historic Preservation Act of 1966
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968 [Section 4(f)]
- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA)
- Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991
- National Highway System Designation Act of 1995
- Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century of 1999
- SAFETEA-LU of 2005

















Aesthetic Initiative Measurement System

- Fall '96 Research Funding Available
- Spring '97 Social/Economic ft Aesthetics
- Fall '97 Methodology Outline
- Fall '98 Work Plan & Budget finalized
- Spring '99 Refine AIMS & Train Mn/DOT Staff
- Summer '99 Conduct AIMS Field Days
- Fall '99 / Winter '00 Final Report
- Spring '00 Findings Presented to Mn/DOT
- Spring '03 FHWA Environmental Excellence Award
- Winter '04 AIMS Presented @ TRB Annual Mtg.