

September 30, 2026, 10:00 a.m. CT & October 1, 10:00 a.m. CT – Online Conference

# Preserving the Historic Road

**2026** September 30 - October 1  
Online Conference

*Celebrating 100 years of Route 66 and the U.S. Numbered Highway System.*

## 2026 Preserving the Historic Road Online Conference Agenda (draft)

10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (all times are USA Central Time Zone)

### Wednesday, September 30, 2026

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome
- 10:15 a.m. Connecting the DOTs (panel discussion: CO, TX, AK, MN, NV, WA DOTs)
- 11:30 a.m. Historic Roads in the Pacific Northwest (Brian Matuk, Mead & Hunt)
- 11:55 a.m. Named Highways to State Routes (Cliff Creger, NV DOT; Chad Moffett, Mead & Hunt)
- 12:20 p.m. Understanding Evolution of Streets and Historic Components (Dr. Robin B. Williams, SCAD)
- 12:45 p.m. Celebrating 100 Years of Route 66 (panel discussion: David Bricker, Bob Estes, Dr. Greg Maggard, Carl Mikyska, Lin Xie)
- 1:55 p.m. TBD
- 2:20 p.m. First Day Wrap-up

### Thursday, October 1, 2026

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome back
- 10:15 a.m. Trouble Ahead: Evaluating Maryland's Civil Rights Routes (Robbie D. Jones, Matt Manning, Rachel Wilson, Steve Archer)
- 10:40 a.m. Where History Hits the Streets: Saving Concrete Street Signs (Hannah Braun, CO DOT)
- 11:05 a.m. Blue Ridge Parkway: NHL and Stewardship (Alesha Cerny, NPS)
- 11:30 a.m. Historic Roads: Global Perspective (international panel discussion: Spain, Australia, Korea, ICOMOS)
- 12:45 p.m. Interpreting US Highway 80: Documentary Film as a Tool for Preserving Historic Roads (Gerald Lamb, documentary filmmaker)
- 1:10 p.m. Let's All Go to the Lobby! (Larissa Rudnicki, OR DOT)
- 1:35 p.m. Miles to Recover: Post-COVID Economic Assessment of Route 66 (Tziporah Feldman, Scenic America)
- 1:55 p.m. Symposium Synopsis
- 2:20 p.m. Conference Closeout