



U.S. Department of Transportation

The Mission of the USDOT

To ensure our nation has the safest, most efficient and modern transportation system in the world; that improves the quality of life for all American people and communities, from rural to urban, and increases the productivity and competitiveness of American workers and businesses.

Office of the Secretary

“Safety will always be our number one priority.” – Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

The Office of the Secretary (OST) oversees the formulation of national transportation policy and promotes intermodal transportation. Other responsibilities range from negotiation and implementation of international transportation agreements, assuring the fitness of US airlines, enforcing airline consumer protection regulations, issuing regulations to prevent alcohol and illegal drug abuse in transportation systems, and preparing transportation legislation.

Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Information

During emergency situations, DOT will post information related to transportation permits, waivers, and other regulations and authorities that are applicable during an emergency. Under the [National Response Framework](#), DOT is the primary federal agency for the [Emergency Support Function - 1 - Transportation \(ESF-1\)](#).

Safety in Action

DOT Modal Information

Aviation

[Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\) Temporary Flight Restrictions](#)

[FAA Flight Delay Information](#)

[FAA Notice to Airmen \(NOTAM\)](#)

Maritime

[Maritime Administration Ready Reserve Force \(RRF\)](#)

[RRF Characteristics Pamphlet](#)

[RRF Locations Map](#)

Pipelines and Hazmat

[Pipelines and Hazardous Materials Administration \(PHMSA\) Approvals and Permits](#)

Public Transportation

[Federal Transit Administration \(FTA\) Emergency Management](#)

[Federal Transit Administration \(FTA\) Emergency Relief Manual](#)

Railroads

[Federal Railroad Administration \(FRA\) Emergency Declarations](#)

Roadway and Bridges

[Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\) National Road Closure Information](#)

[Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\) Oversize/Overweight Load Permits](#)

[Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\) Emergency Relief Program](#)

Trucking and Motor Coaches

[Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration \(FMCSA\) Declarations, Waivers, Exemptions and Permits](#)





USDOT Safety Programs

Promoting Innovation and Competition in Transportation

Automated Driving Systems (ADS): A Vision For Safety 2.0

Automated Driving Systems (ADS) Public Workshop

Successfully showcased AV Truck Platooning Technology (Sept. 13-15, 2017)

Automated Track Inspection Program (ATIP)

ITS Architecture and Standards – Renewal of Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) with the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI)

Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Operations

UAS Integration Pilot Program

Testing of Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Human Trafficking

USDOT is working with other U.S. Government agencies and with transportation stakeholders across the country on human trafficking initiatives.

In November 2012, the [Transportation Leaders Against Human Trafficking](#) partnership was launched. The partnership is an open membership group comprised of transportation and travel industry stakeholders, in order to maximize the transportation industry's collective impact in combating human trafficking. The partnership identified five key focus areas: Industry leadership, Industry training and education, Policy development, Public awareness, Information sharing and analysis

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER
1-888-3737-888

GET HELP and connect with a service provider in your area

REPORT A TIP with information on potential human trafficking activity

LEARN MORE by requesting training, technical assistance, or resources

