



2010 Legislative Action Plan

Based on the actions taken by the WSTA Cooperating Committee in 2009 Fall Conference, the action items below constitute the WSTA Legislative Action Plan for the 2010 legislative session. These action items will detail the WSTA Resolution, supporting documentation and desired outcome sought for each member state legislative delegation for 2010. The outcomes are legislative resolutions for each state to offer and secure passage for during this current session.

Action Item One:

WSTA recommendation is for the federal government to lift the Longer Combination Vehicle freeze in the Western United States.

[Resolution Link](#)

This action item requires a resolution from each member state's legislature directed as each state's federal congressional delegation.

- Agencies effected: DOT, Patrol, state trucking association, Western Governors Association, WASHTO.

Action Item Two:

WSTA recommendation for states to support the federal legislation termed "Business Tax Simplification Act of 2009- H.R. 1083 (BATSA) or its current equivalent to address taxation of interstate carriers by states when such carriers have no business location, employees or assets within those states.

[Resolution Link](#)

This action item requires a resolution from each member state's legislature stating support for this federal legislation.

- Agencies effected: Taxation or Revenue Departments, state trucking associations, Western Governors Association.

Action Item Three:

WSTA recommendation concerning CVSA/MCSAP lead agency responsibilities for commercial vehicle safety programs and motor carrier safety administration program , MCSAP, need to ensure with the advent of the safety fitness program CSA 2010, that roadside inspection data be of the highest quality, consistent from agency to agency in the state and uniform.

[Resolution Link](#)

This action item requires legislative resolution calling for MCSAP lead agencies in each member state ensuring the quality and uniformity of inspection data within their state to fairly and professionally implement CSA 2010.

- Agencies effected: DOT, State Patrol, Ports of Entry, state trucking associations, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, CVSA, and Western Governors Association.



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Action Item Four:

WSTA recommendation concerning the member WSTA states working with WASHTO and member state DOT agencies, for the creation of a regional network of designated roadways, energy corridors, and permit procedures to safely and efficiently move over size loads of energy equipment for the west/nation's energy industries.

[Resolution Link](#)

This action item requires a legislative resolution that calls for member state DOT agencies through WASHTO to begin working on energy corridors/networks of routes and permit procedures to facilitate the movement of energy equipment throughout the west.

- Agencies effected: state DOT, WASHTO, trucking associations, Western Governors Association.

Action Item Five:

WSTA recommends that member states support a legislative resolution to provide for state incentives to assist in adoption of EPA's Smart Way technologies by the trucking industry in their state.

[Resolution Link](#)

This action item would require each member to run a resolution supporting Smart Way technologies incentives for commercial vehicles as adopted t by the U.S. EPA.

- Agencies effected: state taxation or revenue departments, DOT, state trucking associations, state emissions or health departments and Western Governors Association.

These WSTA resolutions and supporting material can be found on the WSTA/MHTA website www.mhta2.org.

Please notify WSTA staff of any resolutions that your member state may introduce this legislative session and its final outcome.