DATE: Wednesday, April 13, 2016
TIME: 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM CT
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, March 30, 2016
DELIVERY: Video Conference
PRESENTATION HOURS: 5.5 hours

PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION

This presentation will help attendees develop a better understanding of the importance of materials, techniques, and equipment needed for maintaining and repairing gravel roads. It will provide technical details for best practices including blading techniques, shoulder management, proper roadway crown concepts and the use of fabrics for the repair of water saturated roadbeds. The workshop will show the benefits to be gained from good maintenance practices and enhance the skills of gravel road maintenance personnel. It will cover the changes to the updated Gravel Roads – Maintenance and Design Manual released fall of 2015. It will cover how to spec quality gravel, roadway design basics, a brief introduction to the new “Guide on Temporary Traffic Control for Work Zones on Unpaved Roads” and much more.

SPEAKER(S)

Ken Skorseth is currently the Special Projects Manager for the South Dakota Local Transportation Assistance Program (SDLTAP) at SDSU. Ken retired as the SDLTAP Program Manager in the fall of 2015. He has 12 years of experience in the highway and heavy construction industry and eight years as the Deuel County Highway Superintendent. Ken has studied unpaved roads across the U.S. and as far away as New Zealand. He has lectured on the subjects of gravel road maintenance and low volume road maintenance to audiences of engineers, managers, elected officials and maintenance workers over the past 26 years. Ken has been coined the “Gravel Guru.” His passion for the subject is contagious. The fruit of Ken’s efforts to update and expand the ultimate resource for gravel roads, the Gravel Roads – Maintenance and Design Manual, were unveiled in the August 2015 revised manual release.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This presentation is intended for state, county, or city personnel, technical staff, and maintenance forces responsible for maintenance of gravel shoulders or gravel roads. Private contractors employed to perform haul road maintenance on gravel roads are also encouraged to attend. This presentation was last shown on April 9, 2015. While some of Ken’s presentation is a repeat, the information is worthy of review. Additionally, Ken has added some new information that will be of interest to those attending a second time. Be the first to hear what’s new in gravel roads, sign-up for this must-attend presentation.