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Subject: NTI T-Class Effects of TOD on Housing, Parking, and Travel

Program Area: Class

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Plan now to participate in National Transit Institute's (NTI) free T-Class, **Effects of Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) on Housing, Parking, and Travel**, based on Transit Cooperation Research Program (TCRP) Report 128 on February 5, 2009, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. EST.

NTI, in cooperation with the TCRP and the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), offers a series of T-Classes each year that highlight specific TCRP reports. These reports address current topics and trends in the transit industry. This offering will be of interest to transit agencies; the development community; transportation, land-use, and project planners; and federal, state, and local decision-makers contemplating transit-oriented development.

This report builds on previous TCRP research into TOD by more closely examining a series of issues through literature review and assessments of 17 TOD projects in Philadelphia/northern New Jersey, Portland, Washington, D.C. and San Francisco's East Bay. The study confirmed the common belief that housing within TOD projects generates less traffic than that produced by traditional development. However, parking requirements have not been reduced for TOD projects, most likely resulting in less TOD development and higher than necessary costs, the study concluded. The T-Class will be presented by the report's principal investigator, G.B. Arrington of PB PlaceMaking, of Portland, OR. Discussion topics include:

- Travel characteristics of people who live or work in TODs, and how their travel patterns changed after moving into a TOD
- The influences between transit systems and TOD land use and design
- How TODs spur or deter transit ridership; what transit agencies can do to build ridership at TODs
- Demographic profiles of TOD residents; what qualities of TODs attract residents, businesses

The T-Class lasts 90 minutes and is delivered in a telephone conference format. Expert panelists discuss the topics during the first 60 minutes of the teleconference; the last 30 minutes are dedicated to open phones for questions from the audience.

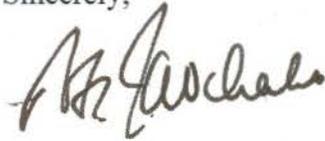
If you are interested in attending, please follow this link

<http://www.ntionline.com/CourseInfo.asp?CourseNumber=TRI18-53-128> and register on line.

For further information, contact Region 10's John Witmer at (206) 220-7964 or email

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R.F. Krochalis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "R".

R.F. Krochalis

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