

Welcome and Opening Remarks



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Announcement

- 300 attendees & growing
- Working groups – get their early
- Handouts at registration desk & lunch list



Voluntary Information-sharing Working Group

- PIPES Act of 2016, Section 10 (Public Law 114-183)
- Secretary of Transportation convene a VIS WG by December 19, 2016
 - Recommendations on a need for a secure voluntary information-sharing system
 - Dig verification data shared with in-line inspection operators
 - Improve inspection information sharing for gas/liquid transmission lines
- VIS WG is a short-standing advisory committee



Voluntary Information-sharing Working Group

- Currently accepting nominations (by Nov. 28th)
- Federal register notice (Docket no: PHMSA-2016-0128)
- PHMSA, state officials, industry, safety advocates, research institutions, labor representatives, and others
- Send bios and resumes to:

Cheryl Whetsel at cheryl.whetsel@dot.gov or (2020 366-4431)



Working Groups Overview

- **Concurrently Running Working Groups**

- #1 Threat/Damage Prevention (Salon B)

- #2 Leak Detection/Mitigation (Salon C)

- 3# Anomaly Detection/Characterization (Salon D&E)

- 4# Natural Gas Underground Storage (Salon F)

- 5# Liquefied Natural Gas (Salon G)

- **Three Phases of Operation**

- Phase I – Setting the stage, listing of gaps & gap prioritization

- Phase II – Roadmapping of prioritized gaps

- Phase III – Roadmapping cont. and generating the report-out



Working Groups Overview

- **Working Group Schedule**

- WG Agendas are available at the registration desk
 - Day 1 – 3 hrs from 2PM to 5 PM
 - Day 2 – 6 hrs from 8AM to Noon then 1PM to 3PM
- WG Leaders will break as necessary other than officially scheduled breaks

- **Working Group Locations - See agenda!**

- Signs by each room and will remain there for both days
- WG Leaders will remind attendees when/where to reconvene before adjourning today



Working Group Locations

See front and back of the agenda

