

Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in Parks Technical Assistance Center
Alternative Transportation Systems (ATS) Business Model Selection Guidance

Presenters' Biographies

Justin Begley is a Senior Research Associate at the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at the University of South Florida. He offers technical expertise in identifying and deploying new technologies to enhance transit operations. At CUTR, he has developed technology assessments and software applications for county transit systems. In his previous position as a Project Manager for the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority, he managed a successful \$10 million bundled ITS deployment including Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD)/Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL), dispatch center & 280' tower construction, radio communications, real time traveler information web services, fixed and mobile cameras, passenger counters & vehicle health monitoring. For his work on this project, Justin received an Outstanding Achievement Award from ITS Florida in 2008.

Ann Joslin is a Senior Research Associate in the Transit Management and Innovation Program at the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at the University of South Florida. She has over 20 years' experience in the field of public transportation including management positions at the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority and marketing and outreach responsibilities for a statewide Commuter Assistance Program. Ms. Joslin's areas of expertise include transit planning and operations with an emphasis on service planning, community outreach, strategic planning and project management. She has planned and implemented several specialized transit circulator services, a roadside motorist assistance program, a regional commuter vanpool program, and two ITS demonstration projects. Ms. Joslin also has a broad range of experience providing technical assistance, research, and transit agency support services in the areas of service and market analysis and evaluation.

Andrew Valdez serves as an "advanced scholar" with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Headquarters Office in Arlington, Virginia for the 2013-2014 Public Lands Transportation Scholar Program. Previously, Andrew served as a transportation scholar for the Sabino Canyon Recreation Area in 2012-2013. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado and with a Master of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Colorado, Denver. Andrew's work and research is focused on understanding the causal relationships between public health, resource usage, infrastructure design and the built environment.