

TRANSPORTATION SECURITY PANEL



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WHAT IS MTI?

- MTI was created as a University Transportation Center (UTC) in the 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and reauthorized by federal legislation in 1998 and 2005.
- MTI also won US DOT competitions as a Tier I UTC in 2002 and again in 2006 against 36 of the nation's finest research universities.
- The SJSU President delegated policy responsibility for MTI research to the world-class MTI Board of Trustees, which also advises on MTI's SJSU education programs, thereby providing optimum semi-annual assessments of research needs, quality and information transfer.
- MTI has a mature Research Associate certification process with 163 RAs, annual multi-model national research needs assessment, pre-contract and pre-publication peer reviews, at least two national and two state-wide information distribution symposia per year, close rapport with most national and many international transportation organizations and a web page, 'transweb', averaging over 150,000 uses and 5,000 down-loaded pages per month.
- By SJSU action, at the request of the MTI Board of Trustees (25 of the nations' top transportation leaders), in 1998 the MTI NTSC specialty function was created.
- The annual \$100 million plus SJSU Research Foundation, which has compromised the standard negotiated federal overhead rate for MTI programs, is MTI's fiscal intermediary for all grants and contracts and has the capacity to support MTI as the lead institution for the DHS NTSCOE if that service would be helpful.

Note: The US DOT UTC grants were reduced by 18% this year causing serious a crisis.

About MTI

- MTI conducts only policy research projects identified as needed by federal and state sponsors, and has developed particular expertise in three priority areas: **transportation security, transportation finance, and land use/environment.**
- MTI's Graduate Transportation Management Program offers, throughout California, an accredited Master of Science in Transportation Management (MSTM) and Certificates in Transportation Management (CTM) and Transportation Security Management (CTS).

MTI's NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SECURITY CENTER (NTSC)

- **The leading university policy center for the analysis of terrorist threats, trends and best practices involving surface transportation.**
- **An information and training resource for transportation system operators and related law enforcement officials and emergency responders.**

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