Course Number
FHWA-NHI-310125

Course Title
Risk-Based Stewardship and Oversight (Federal Version)

This Instructor-led Training (ILT) course will expand participants' understanding of the risk-based processes, roles and responsibilities that Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Division and Program Office personnel are using to help optimize the effective and efficient delivery of the Federal-aid Highway Program (FAHP), and to help ensure its compliance with Federal laws and regulations. This approach, as it is being implemented, is commonly known as the Risk-based Stewardship and Oversight (RBSO) approach and builds upon the risk management foundation in the agency’s strategic and performance planning processes. The RBSO model is designed to identify risk-based S&O actions and initiatives at both the national and Division levels for both programs and projects.

Outcomes
Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:
• Describe the FHWA vision and rationale for using Risk-Based Stewardship and Oversight (RBSO), built on four core principles, to optimize the successful delivery of the Federal Highway Program and ensure compliance with Federal law and regulations
• Explain how RBSO integrates strategic and performance planning to allocate limited resources in order to achieve stewardship and oversight objectives
• Explain how FHWA/State DOT Stewardship and Oversight (S&O) Agreements are used to ensure respective S&O responsibilities and expectations are set
• Demonstrate how RBSO integrates the FHWA risk management process to identify program and project risks, and develop the appropriate S&O response strategies to effectively manage those risks
• Explain how program involvement optimizes successful program and project delivery and helps ensure compliance with Federal requirements
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• Demonstrate the RBSO tools FHWA uses to provide a reasonable level of assurance of both project and program compliance, while also informing other S&O strategies and actions
• Demonstrate how Divisions use risk-based project level S&O activities to: (1) manage project level risks, and (2) provide value-added stewardship to help optimize successful project and program delivery
• Demonstrate how the various RBSO tools work together to optimize the successful delivery of the Federal Highway Program

Target Audience
Since every member of FHWA is either directly or indirectly engaged in carrying out the agency’s role of stewardship and oversight on a routine basis, the target audience for this course includes FHWA personnel at all levels and in all disciplines, in both Division and Program Offices. State DOT management officials, and other DOT staff involved in the delivery of the FAHP, would also benefit from taking this course.

Training Level: Basic
Fee: 2020: $255 Per Person; 2021: N/A
Length: 2 DAYS (CEU: 1.2 UNITS)
Class Size: Minimum: 20; Maximum: 30

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