8:00 to 9:00 a.m.  Breakfast Sponsored by Amtrak (Center Café, Union Station)

9:30 to ? (times vary, depending on schedules)  Appointments with Members of Congress

MIPRC commissioners and allies will split into groups, according to state, to meet with Members of Congress and talk with them about the key points we decided upon yesterday.
Indiana Sen. Robert Jackman, Chair, Presiding

8:30 to 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 to 9:45 a.m. Welcome, Introductions, and Roundtable Discussion on State Rail-Related Progress this Year
Share with other attendees what happened in your state this year on the rail front (legislation, studies, other reports, track improvements, etc.). Information on commuter rail developments can also be included.

9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Status of Midwest Regional Rail Initiative and Ohio Hub Projects
Receive an update on state DOTs’ plans for passenger rail projects in our region, as well as the federal and state funding it will take to see these plans become realities.
Presenters: Mr. Terry Mulcahy, HNTB and Mr. Stuart Nicholson, Ohio Rail Development Commission

10:45 to 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Review, Update on Congressional Legislation
To help us prepare for tomorrow’s meetings and inform our upcoming discussion on what key issues we want to communicate to Members of Congress, we’ll receive an overview of current federal legislation, as well as an update on what is being discussed regarding the future of passenger rail.
Presenter: Ms. Frances Bourne, Amtrak

11:30 a.m. to noon Federal Priorities Discussion
Based on what we’ve heard this morning, we’ll begin to decide what we want to talk with Members of Congress about during our visits tomorrow.

Noon to 1:00 p.m. Lunch Buffet, Continuance of Congressional Priorities Discussion

1:00 to 2:00 p.m. MIPRC Fiscal Year Review, Priorities for the Coming Year
Receive an overview of what the MIPRC has been up to this fiscal year, then discuss what should be the commission’s priorities for FY 2008.

2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Commission Business, including:
- Approval of FY ’08 Budget
- Election of Officers (Chair, Vice Chair and Financial Officer)
- Review of Commission Bylaws
- Next Meeting of the Commission

3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Finalization of Talking Points for Meetings, Review of Appointments with Members of Congress
We’ll finalize a list of the rail policy points commissioners will discuss with Members of Congress tomorrow, and review each state’s appointments.

4:30 to 5:00 p.m. Unfinished Business, Adjournment

6:30 p.m. *Dinner at Zaytinya’s (701 9th St, NW; across the street from Gallery Place-Chinatown Metro stop)

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