

Trusted Traveler Program

NEXUS and FAST Harmonization



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Purpose of Today's Discussion

- ❖ Update future plans for Nexus Program and how it fits into the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative
- ❖ Seek your comments on the development of the future Trusted Traveler Program (TTP)
- ❖ Outline next steps

Trusted Traveler Program Vision

Harmonizing the FAST Driver Registration and NEXUS programs into a single “low-risk” traveler concept for North America:

- ❖ Membership valid in all Modes
- ❖ Single Application Process
- ❖ Single Fee Structure
- ❖ Single “Rated” Risk Assessment
- ❖ One Card
 - ❖ Fingerprints
 - ❖ Photo Capture
 - ❖ Iris Photograph

Accomplishments

- ❖ March 2006: Seattle UEC open Tuesday & Wednesday weekly
- ❖ June 2006: Full NEXUS deployment completed for GES
- ❖ July 2006: US – Canada IT interface with interactive application data sharing
- ❖ September 2006: Harmonized Application Completed
- ❖ October 2006: Vancouver UEC open Tuesday & Wednesday weekly
- ❖ November 2006:
 - ❖ On-line Application US SENTRI program with centralized vetting
 - ❖ NEXUS Air & NEXUS Land Harmonization
 - ❖ Canada added second NEXUS lane in Windsor in Detroit

Accomplishments

- ❖ December 2006:
 - ❖ NEXUS Harmonization announced on December 14, 2006
 - ❖ Existing Land members may register iris at an airport EC
 - ❖ Existing Air members will receive an RFID card by mail
 - ❖ Single Application Form for NEXUS
 - ❖ Single Card for all NEXUS
 - ❖ Enrollment provides access to all modes of travel
 - ❖ Passage available in all modes of travel

Global Enrollment System (GES) Status

GES has been installed at the following enrollment centers on the Northern Border for NEXUS Highway:

- ❖ Blaine, WA
- ❖ Buffalo, NY
- ❖ Detroit, MI
- ❖ Port Huron, MI
- ❖ Champlain, NY

NEXUS Air members migrated into GES in November 2006

With GES now installed at all US locations, the NEXUS card can be used at any NEXUS lane

Passage of members is allowed through any location with program capabilities

NEXUS Status

- ❖ In operation since 1999
- ❖ Currently at 11 border locations
- ❖ Over 113,000 enrolled
- ❖ Air enrollment totals – over 7,200
- ❖ Implementation of urban enrollment centers in Seattle and Vancouver with more 600 applications adjudicated to date
- ❖ Expansion: flex lanes in Sweetgrass, International Falls, Sault Ste Marie, Pembina, Alexandria Bay, Houlton & Calais, ME in 2007

NEXUS Status

- ❖ Air Implementation to began in early 2007 at Toronto, Montreal, and Ottawa international airports
- ❖ Roll out to Edmonton, Calgary, Halifax and Winnipeg international airports mid/late 2007
- ❖ Work continues including negotiating with appropriate airport authorities, defining facilities requirements and coordinating U.S./CN requirements

NEXUS Status

- ❖ The Marine Pilot Program was expanded to additional waterways in the northeastern United States in May 2006.
- ❖ Prior to the program harmonization, applicants applying for marine mode of travel automatically received land border access.
- ❖ Marine membership grew to over 800 in this region.
- ❖ The Marine Pilot success will be presented for national program approval at the February SBACC meeting
- ❖ Portable Enrollment Center: planning for deployment in Fall 2007

FAST Status

- ❖ In operation since 2002
- ❖ Currently at 19 border locations
- ❖ 4 new sites – Massena, Ogdensburg, Oroville, Sault Ste Marie
- ❖ Over 80,000 drivers enrolled
- ❖ Further expansion of FAST will be integrated with the deployment of ACE
- ❖ TSA accepts the FAST credential as evidence of a non-US resident truck driver's completion of anti-terrorist screening to haul hazardous material imposed under SAFETEA-LU

WHTI Status

- ❖ The NEXUS card has been approved as an alternative document for air travel
- ❖ The NEXUS card is expected to be approved for land and marine passage
- ❖ The U.S. Department of State PASScard for WHTI may utilize RFID technology compatible with NEXUS, SENTRI and FAST cards.