



# Transportation Seminar Series

*Friday, January 23, 2009  
4 - 5 p.m. in 240 Bechtel Engineering Center*

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### Recommendations for Federal Transportation Funding from the National Surface Transportation Infrastructure Finance Commission

**Abstract:** The Highway Trust fund is facing insolvency. Planned spending exceeds expected revenue to an increasing degree during the coming years. The fuel tax is an unsustainable funding mechanism that is experiencing an accelerated decline. Meanwhile the transportation funding and planning system is failing to maintain existing transportation infrastructure, and is suffering a lack of trust and confidence among users and taxpayers. Congress in SAFETEA-LU created the National Surface Transportation Infrastructure Finance Commission to recommend changes to the funding system to solve these problems. I will discuss how we approached the problem and our major recommendations.

**Bio:** Adrian Moore is vice president of research at Reason Foundation, a non-profit think tank advancing free minds and free markets. Moore oversees all of Reason's policy research and conducts his own research on topics such as privatization, government and regulatory reform, air quality, transportation and urban growth, prisons and utilities.

Moore, who has testified before Congress, regularly advises federal, state and local officials on ways to streamline government and reduce costs. In 2002, Moore was awarded a World Outsourcing Achievement Award by PricewaterhouseCoopers and Michael F. Corbett & Associates Ltd. for his work showing governments how to use public-private partnerships and the private sector to save taxpayer money and improve the efficiency of their agencies.

Prior to joining Reason, Moore served 10 years in the Army on active duty and reserves. As a noncommissioned officer he was accepted to Officers Candidate School and commissioned as an Infantry officer. He served in posts in the United States and Germany and left the military as a Captain after commanding a Heavy Material Supply company.

Mr. Moore earned a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of California, Irvine. He holds a Master's in Economics from the University of California, Irvine and a Master's in History from California State University, Chico.

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