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The Week in Review Gets a Facelift

AAMVA's e-newsletter, *The Week in Review (TWIR)* is sent weekly to all membership categories to keep you abreast of the latest news and information in the community. You may be a new recipient of the newsletter or a long-time recipient, but if you take a look around the new *TWIR*, you'll see we've made quite a few improvements. This new look is not just easier on the eyes, but is also organized to make it even easier to find important information. Scroll to the bottom of the email and you'll notice that readers can also manage their subscriptions by clicking "unsubscribe" to opt out of the newsletter. Click on the "manage all your AAMVA subscriptions" link and it will take you to your "My AAMVA" account, where members can manage all their AAMVA subscriptions. Simply click "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" to any specific AAMVA communication at any time. If you have any questions or concerns or you have feedback about The Week in Review, please let us know by reaching us at twir@aamva.org.

Register for the AAMVA Webinar, NMVTIS: An Improved Tool for Law Enforcement



[Register now](#) for the upcoming webinar, The National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS): An Improved Tool for Law Enforcement, Wednesday, November 6th, 2-3 p.m. (EST). This Webinar provides federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement personnel and support staff updates on what has been going on to improve NMVTIS for the law enforcement community. You will hear about the activities and efforts of the NMVTIS Law Enforcement Working Group along with information from the U.S. Department of Justice on new developments with the NMVTIS Law Enforcement Search Tool. Please join us for the latest news regarding NMVTIS and its increasing value and use as an effective tool for the law enforcement community. [Register here to join the conversation.](#)

AAMVA Blog: Neil Schuster and Brian Ursino Attend IACP Meetings and Annual Conference



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Visit [AAMVA's blog](#) to learn about AAMVA staff's time at the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) conference. It was a busy several days in Philadelphia for our CEO Neil Schuster and Director of Law Enforcement Brian Ursino who attended the IACP conference October 21 – 23. The conference, attended by nearly 15,000 delegates from

approximately 40 countries, was preceded by several days of meetings hosted by the IACP State & Provincial (S&P) Division. For full information, visit [AAMVA's blog](#).

AAMVA at the Association of Ignition Interlock Program Administrators' Meeting

AAMVA was invited to participate in the Association of Ignition Interlock Program Administrators' (AIIPA) session on Interlock standard vocabulary at their Fall meeting in Dallas, TX on October 22 -24, 2013. This session took place on October 22, and, in addition to AAMVA, AIIPA members representing seven states, two representatives from Traffic Injury Research Foundation, and six Ignition Interlock Manufacturers were in attendance. The topics of discussion centered on a review of CENCLEC criteria and document (the Europe vocabulary standards.) Each term and definition was reviewed and edits were made to concur with NHTSA's definitions established in the 2013 model specifications. A comparison of the recent model specification and the older (1992) specifications was made. Recommendations were made concerning gaps and state implementation of the new devices to take place by May 2014. Last topic of discussion focused on best practices. These practices concern the devices and how to manage calibration and service intervals on the device, breathe samples, and a uniform approach to the settings on the device for the jurisdictions. Visit <http://aiipa.org/> for more information.

South African Visit to WV DMV



WV hosted a very successful 3 day visit from the Republic of South Africa's counterpart to DMV, the Road Traffic Infringement Agency. The delegation heard presentations from key WV DMV staff on rehabilitating problem drivers, driver license suspension

programs for traffic violations, unpaid tickets and DUI as well as an on-site

visit to one of our Ignition Interlock vendors demonstrating the installation of a device in an offender's vehicle. The WV GHS director provided a briefing on federal highway safety funded initiatives, and media efforts. Also, the delegation heard from key WV Division of Highways staff on highway safety from the engineer perspective and a tour of the DOH emergency traffic management center.

They were wonderful guests and very appreciative of the program that WV put together. Natalie Harvey and Jennifer Floyd did all the heavy lifting making this event a great reflection on the professionalism of the WV staff. Their next stop is Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

New RFPs/RFIs Posted

The following RFPs/RFIs have been posted the AAMVA Website:

- [Consultant for Colorado DRIVES Procurement \(Colorado Dept. of Revenue\)](#)

For more information this and other RFPs/RFIs, please visit <http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/>

Colorado Vehicles Damaged by Recent Floods

Unfortunately it is still too soon for Colorado to have an estimate on the number of vehicles that have been impacted by the recent floods. There are still some areas of the state that residents cannot return to due to roads being completely washed out. The Colorado Department of Transportation is estimating that they will not be able to have all roads open until sometime in December. They do estimate there will be a significant number of vehicles that will be branded as **Junk** as a result of the flooding; once these vehicles have been branded Junk, they can no longer title or register the vehicle. However, it is possible that some vehicles will be branded **Salvage**. For additional information visit <http://www.colorado.gov>. Please be aware that vehicles six years or older at the time of damage will be issued clean, unbranded titles due to Colorado's current statutes.

Final FMCSA Rule on Amendment of the 30-Minute Break Requirement

The FMCSA amends its December 27, 2011, final rule entitled "Hours of Service of Drivers" to provide an exception from the 30-minute rest break requirement for short-haul drivers who are not required to prepare records of duty status (RODS). The Agency also removes regulatory text made obsolete by the passing of the July 1, 2013, compliance date for the final rule. This action responds to a decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (the Court). This final rule is effective October 28, 2013. For full information, see the [Federal Register](#).

Two Distinguished Transportation Professionals Join AASHTO Leadership Team

American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Executive Director Bud Wright has announced the addition of two distinguished transportation leaders to the organization's management team. Jim Tymon, a Senior Capitol Hill staffer who has played an integral role in drafting and

implementing the last three transportation bills, has been named AASHTO's Director of Program Finance and Management. Tymon currently serves as Senior Advisor to House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Shuster (R-Penn) and as majority Staff Director of the Highways and Transit Subcommittee. King Gee, a nationally recognized leader in the development and deployment of transportation technology and innovations and the management of transportation engineering issues, has been named AASHTO's Director of Engineering and Technical Services. Gee leaves CDM Smith, where he held the position of Surface Transportation Performance Market Leader. From 2001 to 2011, Gee served as Associate Administrator for Infrastructure at the Federal Highway Administration. For more information, visit transportation.org.

NHTSA "5 to Drive" Campaign Seeks to Boost Teen Driver Safety

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is launching a new education campaign directed at the parents and guardians of young drivers: "5 to Drive." The campaign is focused on getting parents and guardians to engage in an ongoing discussion with their teens about safe driving. NHTSA is asking parents and guardians to reinforce five basic rules with any young drivers in their family. You can read more about teen driver safety and "5 to Drive" on [NHTSA's Fast Lane blog](#).
