

## *Moving Together 2005 Conference*

### **The Do's and Don'ts of Acquiring Rights-of-Way**

This session will focus on acquiring parcels of land on or adjacent to a rail trail, the process and requirements for state certification, and a brief overview of the Federal Highway Administration's policy on eminent domain takings on rail trails. In addition, a legal perspective will be provided on what can be done with rights-of-way both before and after abandonment, and what happens with ownership and new public uses. Learn about what is happening with re-use of rights-of-way in Massachusetts and the Recreational Use Statute.

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