

## Minnesota LTAP announces Roads Scholar Program graduates

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The Minnesota Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) announces its fifth graduating class from the Roads Scholar Program, which includes Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) northwest region superintendent Dewayne Jones.

According to Jones, who has worked 23 years for Mn/DOT, the LTAP Roads Scholars Program has been helpful to his career. "The LTAP classes provided me with new technology and ongoing research that I can use to achieve my greatest goals in my job," he said.

This year's graduates earned eight Roads Scholar credits to complete the program, which includes a series of LTAP workshops, maintenance expos, and Circuit Training and Assistance Programs (CTAP) workshops.

The Minnesota LTAP Roads Scholar Program is designed for local agency maintenance personnel who are committed to learning new skills and expanding their knowledge in the latest road and bridge innovations and best practices. Since 1992, Minnesota LTAP has provided local government transportation agencies with low-cost, high-quality training for their employees. The LTAP Roads Scholar Program combines that training into a structured curriculum.

The mission of the national LTAP program is to foster a safe, efficient, and environmentally sound transportation system by improving skills and knowledge of local transportation providers. Minnesota LTAP serves these and other training needs through workshops, personalized training, demonstrations, distance learning, events, seminars, and conferences.

*More information about Minnesota LTAP and the Roads Scholar Program is available online at:*  
<http://www.mnltap.umn.edu>