BETH OSBORNE

TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONAL







EDUCATION

JURIS DOCTOR Louisiana State University 1993-1996

URI AND CAROLINE BAUER
ISRAEL PROGRAM AT
HEBREW UNIVERSITY
Tulane/Cardozo International
Law Institute
1994

B.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE Louisiana State University 1990-1993

REPORTS

Building a Better State DOT

Dangerous by Design

Driving Down Emissions

Reliable Transportation Chapter of <u>Thriving</u> Together: A Springboard for an Equitable and Resilient Recovery

Congestion Con

Repair Priorities

Learning from the 2009 Recovery Act

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A transportation policy leader with unique experience in federal policy from both the legislative and executive branches and transportation agency practices procedures such as project development rules, modeling and standards. A deep understanding of the interrelation between land use, housing, and other infrastructure policy on transportation and vice versa, including experience developing policy that addresses those connections for better overall results.

EXPERIENCE

VICE PRESIDENT FOR TRANSPORTATION AND THRIVING COMMUNITIES (2018-22); SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR (2014-16)
Smart Growth for America / Washington, DC / March 2014 - Present

Sets the vision, mission, priorities and direction of the transportation team at Smart Growth America, which includes Transportation for America and the National Complete Streets Coalition and is dedicated to connecting people to jobs and essential services by all modes of travel no matter their financial means or physical ability. Fundraises and manages \$2.5-3 million budget. Achievements include:

- Leading a coalition to secure almost \$70 billion in emergency operating support for transit at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Working with four state DOTs (Alaska, California, Connecticut and Tennessee) to establish procedures that allow temporary quick build complete streets projects on state roads in collaboration with the local governments in order to test more multimodal designs and netter involve the public in that design;
- Developing and helping to pass the Reconnecting Communities program to remove, redesign or bridge over transportation infrastructure that divided and harmed communities; and
- Developing and helping to pass the rail title that was included in FAST Act, the first time a rail title was included in a reauthorization bill, and the rail title included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY (2013-2014)
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY (2009-2013)
U.S. Department of Transportation / Washington, DC / April 2009 – March 2014

Developed and implemented the Secretary's priorities, including:

- the strategic plan, regulations, guidance, and legislation;
- the Secretary's livability initiative including collaboration with HUD, EPA, and USDA through the Partnership for Sustainable Communities;
- CAFE standards in conjunction with EPA's tailpipe emissions standards;
- five rounds of the TIGER Discretionary Grant program (now known as RAISE), including the notice of funding availability, training the review teams, managing senior staff reviews, debriefing applicants; and
- two surface transportation reauthorization proposals, including project delivery and performance management provisions in MAP-21 and the FAST Act — particularly the greenhouse gas emissions performance measure that was later repealed by the Trump Administration.

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EXPERIENCE-CONTINUED-

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT

Office of Senator Tom Carper / Washington, DC / Sep. 2004-April 2009

Advised senator on transportation, water, trade and labor policy; developed and managed legislation; and wrote speeches, memos and talking points. Legislative highlights include:

- Developed the compromise Carper-Stevens amendment to CAFE increase that brought enough additional support to get above 60 votes; and
- Authored CLEAN-TEA, an approach to ensuring that transportation infrastructure investments support climate change goals.

POLICY DIRECTOR

Smart Growth America / Washington, DC / Feb. 2003 - Sep. 2004

Developed and managed the federal policy agenda with input from partner

organizations, advocating for laws and regulations that advance smart growth. This included issues within transportation, housing, economic development, education, open space, and farmland protection policy. Implemented and administered foundation grants on issues such as stormwater mitigation and transportation policy.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR FOR NATURAL RESOURCES

Southern Governors' Association / Washington, DC / Dec. 1999 – Feb. 2003 Worked directly with governors' offices to identify, analyze and advise on federal legislative and regulatory issues of regional significance; guided innovative regional responses and solutions to environmental challenges in the region; managed chairman's initiative on conservation programs in the south; and wrote news summaries, articles, issue papers, and the natural resource sections of SGA's website.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR

Office of Rep. Brian Baird (WAO3) / Washington, DC / Jan. 1999 - July 1999

Directed legislative staff, assigned duties and deadlines; coordinated responses to constituent mail; managed appropriations requests; and staffed Congressman on regional whip responsibilities. Advised Congressman on the following policy areas: education, agriculture, interior, environment, energy, maritime, and all other issues within the jurisdiction of the House Transportation Committee.

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT

Office of Rep. Ron Klink (PAO4) / Washington, DC / April 1997 - Jan. 1999

Developed and managed legislation and wrote press releases, speeches,

statements, op-eds, talking points, and correspondence. Advised Congressman on the following policy areas: environment, energy, agriculture, interior, science & technology, foreign affairs, immigration, U.S. Postal Service, and federal workers.