

Virginians For High Speed Rail

HOSTS OUR 15TH ANNUAL MEETING

FEATURING: **FRANK VACCA, AMTRAK'S CHIEF ENGINEER**

June 24, 2011, 11:45 am

Virginia State Capitol

1000 Bank Street - Senate Room 3
Richmond, Virginia 23219



Frank Vacca is Amtrak's Chief Engineer and has over 34 years of railroad engineering experience. In addition to Amtrak, Frank has been with the Penn Central Railroad, Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail) and New Jersey Transit, where he was Chief Engineering Officer for Rail Operations.

Frank holds Undergraduate and Graduate degrees in Engineering. He is an active member of The American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association (AREMA) where he has been a member of the AREMA Board and has held technical committee chair positions on Committee 17, High Speed Rail; and Committee 11, Commuter and Intercity Rail.

Special Guest Senator John Watkins, Chairman of the Virginia-North Carolina High Speed Rail Compact. John C. Watkins began serving in the Virginia State Senate in 1998. Prior to his Senate election, he represented Chesterfield and Powhatan Counties for sixteen years as a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. Senator Watkins is a respected leader in transportation and agricultural and natural resource issues, serving on Virginia Senate Transportation Committee. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture/Horticulture from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. After graduation, he served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971. Senator Watkins is a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church, has three sons and four grandchildren, and he and his wife, Kathy, currently reside in Midlothian.



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