# U.S. EPA 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Risk Assessors Conference New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn, NY July 8-12, 2007

### **Meeting Location**

New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge 333 Adams St. Brooklyn, NY 11201 888-436-3759 or 718-246-7000

For a detailed map of the area, click on the following link:

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New York Marriott Brooklyn Bridge is located in Downtown Brooklyn just across the river from Manhattan. For more information on this neighborhood and those nearby visit <a href="http://www.visitbrooklyn.org/">http://www.visitbrooklyn.org/</a>.

## **Conference Registration**

Register for the conference online at <a href="http://trainex.org">http://trainex.org</a> or <a href="http://www.trainex.org/offeringslist.cfm?courseid=460&all=yes">http://www.trainex.org/offeringslist.cfm?courseid=460&all=yes</a>

#### **Accommodations**

Rooms can be reserved at the government rate (\$196 plus 13.375% and a \$3.50 occupancy tax). Reserve your room by calling the hotel (888-436-3759 or 718-246-7000) or on the hotel web site at <a href="http://cwp.Marriott.com/nycbk/riskassessors/">http://cwp.Marriott.com/nycbk/riskassessors/</a>. To get the special rate, you must make reservations before June 18, 2007, and specify that you are with the "U.S. EPA Risk Assessors Training" room block. Tax-exempt forms are available at <a href="http://trainex.org">http://trainex.org</a> or <a href="http://www.trainex.org/offeringslist.cfm?courseid=460&all=yes">http://www.trainex.org/offeringslist.cfm?courseid=460&all=yes</a>

Room price includes in-room refrigerator and coffee maker, cable TV, and telephone. Internet access is available. There is a health club with lap pool. Note that this is a NON-SMOKING hotel.

#### **Transportation Options**

From the "Tips for the New York City Visitor," following are some suggestions for determining whether to Subway, Bus or Cab It.

A variety of factors determine whether you should use the city's extensive subway network, take a bus, or "cab it." In general, the subway is the faster and least-expensive option. It is helpful to look at the various train lines to determine your course before taking a subway. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) has a travel planner webpage (http://travel.mtanyct.info/) that provides information on various train and bus routes, approximate times, and any potential delays.

Travel by subway requires a metrocard that can be purchased at the train station. The charge per trip is \$2.00. In some subways, the southbound trains are accessed on different platforms than the northbound trains. As you enter the station be sure to look for signs indicating which lines stop at the station and whether they are headed downtown or uptown.

NOTE: Many subway lines are affected by track work on the weekends. If you are arriving on the weekend, be sure to check with the token booth attendant to see if there are any route changes on the line you plan to take.

For the bus, \$2.00 in change, a metrocard or exact change can be used (no bills). The MTA webpage (http://travel.mtanyct.info/ provides information on bus routes. The bus ride usually takes a bit longer than the train based on traffic patterns.

New York Yellow Cabs can be hailed on the street and provide door-to-door service. The minimum fare is \$2.50. Cabs do not accept credit cards, and the fare does not include tolls or tip. Information on rates, surcharges, etc. is provided below. Cabs with a lighted sign on top are available and cabs with an "off-duty" sign or whose light is off are not available. The NYC Taxi and Limousine Commission is responsible for regulating cabs in New York City and additional information is available at: http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/passenger/passenger\_info.shtml.

NOTE: Taxi fare estimates (on the next page) do not include tolls and tip

# From LaGuardia International Airport to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott <a href="http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/laguardia.html">http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/laguardia.html</a>

<u>Shuttle</u>: Several shuttle services provide transportation to and from the airport. Ground transportation shuttles are located outside of the Baggage Claim area. The price for shuttle service is approximately \$25.00-\$40.00, but can vary depending on the shuttle company and how many passengers are in the van. No reservation is needed going from the airport to the hotel, but a reservation is required to get from the hotel to the airport. For more information, please visit the LaGuardia International Airport website (link above).

<u>Bus/Subway</u>: From outside the terminal, take the M60 bus. After crossing the Triborough Bridge into Manhattan, get off at the third stop at Lexington Avenue and 125<sup>th</sup> Street. From there, get a 4 or 5 train (green line) going downtown and ride it all the way to Borough Hall in Brooklyn. At the Borough Hall station, look for the exit at the middle of the platform. You will go up some stairs and through an enclosed turnstile. Follow the signs to Joralemon Street/Borough Hall/Municipal Building. When you come out of the station, you will be on Joralemon Street in front of Borough Hall. Walk towards Adams Street (you should be walking against traffic) and make a left on Adams/Brooklyn Bridge Boulevard to the hotel. The trip will take between 1 and 1.5 hours.

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up outside the Baggage Claim area. Taxi fare from LaGuardia International airport to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is about \$25.00 each way, and the travel time is approximately 30 minutes.

<u>Rental Car</u>: Several rental car companies are available in the Baggage Claim area. For more rental car information, visit the LaGuardia International Airport website.

# From John F. Kennedy International Airport to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott:

http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/kennedy.html

<u>Shuttle</u>: Several shuttle services provide transportation to and from the airport. Ground transportation shuttles are located outside of the Baggage Claim area. The price for shuttle service is approximately \$25.00-\$40.00, but can vary depending on the shuttle company and how many passengers are in the van. No reservation is needed going from the airport to the hotel. However, you must make a reservation for shuttle service from the hotel to the airport. For more information on shuttle service, please visit the John F. Kennedy International Airport web site (link above).

<u>Subway</u>: Exit the on the ground level from the baggage claim. Follow the signs to the AirTrain, and take the AirTrain towards the Howard Beach Subway Station. Board the A train (blue line) towards Manhattan and the Bronx. Get off at Jay Street/Borough Hall Station. On the platform, follow exit signs to Myrtle Promenade/Jay Street, which will be at the front of the train. Once you go up the stairs, the back of the Marriott Hotel will be directly behind you. There is no entrance to the hotel from this side. Cross Jay Street and walk along the left side of the hotel to reach the entrance. Travel time from JFK Airport by train is between 1 and 1.5 hours.

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up outside the Baggage Claim area at the airport. Taxi fare from John F. Kennedy International airport to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is approximately \$38.00 each way, and the travel time is approximately 40 minutes.

<u>Rental Car</u>: Several rental car companies are available in the Baggage Claim area. For more rental car information, visit the John F. Kennedy International Airport website.

# From Newark Liberty International Airport to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott <a href="http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/newarkliberty.html">http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/airports/html/newarkliberty.html</a>

Shuttle: Several shuttle services provide transportation to and from the airport. Ground transportation shuttles are located outside of the Baggage Claim area. The price for shuttle service is approximately \$25.00-\$50.00, but can vary depending on the shuttle company and how many passengers are in the van. No reservation is needed going from the airport to the hotel. However, reservations are required for shuttle service from the hotel to the airport. For more information on shuttle service, please visit the Newark Liberty International Airport website.

<u>Train</u>: Take the AirTrain monorail to the Newark New Jersey Transit Station. Take the NJ Transit train from Newark Liberty International Airport to Penn Station. Follow directions below to get to the hotel from Penn Station. Travel time from Newark Airport by train is between 1 and 1.5 hours.

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up outside the Baggage Claim area. Taxi fare from Newark Liberty International Airport to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is approximately \$60.00 each way, plus a \$15 surcharge, and the travel time is 45 minutes.

<u>Rental Car</u>: Several rental car companies are available in the airport's Baggage Claim area. For more information, visit the Newark Liberty International Airport website.

# From Grand Central Station to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott

http://www.transitcenter.com/transitguide/hub\_gct.htm

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up anywhere there is pavement. The fare from Grand Central Station to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is approximately \$25.00 each way, and the travel time is 30 minutes.

<u>Subway</u>: From the main hall, follow signs for the subway, take the Brooklyn bound downtown 4 or 5 trains (the green line) to the Borough Hall station, the first stop in Brooklyn. At the Borough Hall station, look for the exit at the middle of the platform. You will go up some stairs and through an enclosed turnstile. Follow the signs to Joralemon Street/Borough Hall/Municipal Building. When you come out of the station, you will be on Joralemon Street in front of Borough Hall. Walk towards Adams Street (you should be walking against traffic) and make a left on Adams/Brooklyn Bride Boulevard to get to the hotel. Travel time is about 30 minutes.

## From Penn Station to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott

http://www.transitcenter.com/transitguide/hub\_nyp.htm

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up anywhere there is pavement. The fare from Penn Station to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is approximately \$25.00 each way, and the travel time is 30 minutes.

<u>Subway</u>: Both the red (2 or 3) and blue (A or C) subway lines can be accessed from Penn Station.

If you take the 2 or the 3 (red line), go downtown and get off at the Borough Hall Station. You will want to exit at the back of the train and follow signs to Court and Montague Streets. When you get up the stairs, you will be in front of the New York State Supreme Court building. If you are facing this building, walk right toward Joralemon Street. Make a left on Joralemon (you should be walking against traffic) and make a left on Adams/Brooklyn Bride Boulevard to get to the hotel. Travel time is about 30 minutes.

If you take the A or the C (blue line), take the downtown train to Brooklyn and get off at the Jay Street/Borough Hall Station. On the platform, follow exit signs to Myrtle Promenade/Jay Street, which will be at the back of the train. Once you go up the stairs, the back of the Marriott Hotel will be directly behind you. There is no entrance to the hotel from this side. Cross the Jay Street and walk along the left side of the hotel to reach the entrance. Travel time is about 30 minutes.

# From World Trade Center PATH Station to Brooklyn Bridge Marriott <a href="http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/">http://www.panynj.gov/CommutingTravel/path/html/</a>

<u>Taxi</u>: Taxi service may be picked up anywhere. The fare from the World Trade Center PATH Station to the Brooklyn Bridge Marriott is approximately \$15.00, and the travel time is 20 minutes.

<u>Subway</u>: When you emerge from the WTC PATH Station, you will be at the T-intersection of Church Street and Fulton Street. Walk one block down Fulton Street to the Fulton Street

Subway Station. Take the Brooklyn-bound downtown 4 or 5 train (the green line) to the Borough Hall station, the first stop in Brooklyn. At the Borough Hall station, look for the exit at the middle of the platform. You will go up some stairs and through an enclosed turnstile. Follow the signs to Joralemon Street/Borough Hall/ Municipal Building. When you come out of the station, you will be on Joralemon Street in front of Borough Hall. Walk towards Adams Street (you will be walking against traffic). Make a left on Adams/Brooklyn Bride Boulevard to get to the hotel. Travel time is about 30 minutes.

### **Parking**

Self parking is offered at the New York Marriott Brooklyn Bridge. The parking rates are: Hourly: \$14.00. Daily: \$23.00 Sunday to Thursday; \$18.00 Friday to Saturday.

### **Miscellaneous Travel Information**

- \*The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey operates the three airports and the PATH system. Extensive information on these can be found at <a href="http://www.panynj.gov/">http://www.panynj.gov/</a>.
- \*The New York City Subway and Bus system charge a flat fee of \$2.00; however you will need to get a metrocard at one of the stations. They can be purchased from automated ticket machines or from the ticket vendor in the station. A map of the entire subway system can be found at <a href="http://www.mta.info/nyct/maps/submap.htm">http://www.mta.info/nyct/maps/submap.htm</a>.
- \*New York City cabs charge an initial fare of \$2.50. After that, the fee is \$.40 for every 1/5<sup>th</sup> of a mile (four blocks), and \$.40 for every minute spent idling. There is a \$1.00 surcharge added for rides between 4:00 to 8:00 PM. There is an additional \$.50 surcharge for riding after 8:00 PM and 6:00 AM. More detailed information on the cab system can be found at <a href="http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/home/home.shtml">http://www.nyc.gov/html/tlc/html/home/home.shtml</a>. It is recommended that you only take medallioned Yellow Cabs.