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Jeff Western has 29 years experience in management of design, engineering, construction and security of transportation and conventional facilities, and in the management of information technology and information systems and solutions. Jeff has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Master of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Wisconsin and Illinois, and a Registered Structural Engineer in Illinois. Prior to joining the Wisconsin Department of Transportation he was the Chief Engineer for the Conventional Construction Division of the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratory in Dallas, Texas where he was in charge of the Conventional Construction Engineering Department.

In 1994, Jeff joined the Wisconsin Department of Transportation as the Director of the Office of Engineering Operations where he was in charge of the Departmental Research, Project Management Coordination, Information Technology and Business Information Management Sections. He also held the position of Deputy Director in the Bureau of Automation Services, where he was responsible for management of information technology and information systems at the Department of Transportation. He is currently the Director of Infrastructure Security, where he is responsible for coordination of the Department's Transportation Infrastructure Security initiatives for the department's highway (bridge), railroad, maritime, and general aviation airport infrastructures. In this role Jeff chairs the Department's Transportation Infrastructure Security Workgroup as well as has key security responsibilities as a member of the Department's DOT Security Team and the State's Emergency Management Interagency Security Workgroup.

Jeff currently is on the Transportation Research Board (TRB) AB000 – Policy and Organization Group Council, taking a lead on the development of TRB's security research direction and agenda. He is a member on TRB Committee ABE40 - Committee on Critical Transportation Infrastructure Protection and past Chair of Committee ABJ50 - Information Systems and Technology. Jeff is also currently a member of AFH30 - Applications of Emerging Technology and ABJ10, National Transportation Data Requirements and Programs Committees. He serves on the AASHTO Special Committee on Transportation Security as a regional appointed member and is Chair of the NCHRP Project 20-59(17), Guide to Risk Management of Multi-modal Transportation Infrastructure.