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January Newsletter!



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Hello Everyone! I hope 2020 is going well so far.

The Colorado-Wyoming ITE Executive Committee Officers and Chairs have been working tirelessly, diligently and persistently behind the scenes to make our 2020 program happen.

The Vendor Show marks our first event of the year. If you have not already done so, I urge to register for the **Vendor Show**, which will be held **January 31, 2020** at the Douglas County Fairground.

Calling all students - We are giving away scholarships and Student of the Year Award. Don't miss the opportunity.
We are launching 2020 Mentoring Program SOON.

The call for presentations is extended for the Annual **Spring Transportation Symposium**. These are due by January 17, 2020.

More events to come, please stay tuned!

Shout out to Lisa Nguyen, the current Secretary-Treasurer as we met our Sponsorship goals. Thank you for incredible support to all Sponsors.

We will post an official announcement regarding our **new website** early next month or sooner.

Kudos to the Section's Executive Committee, may this year bring us every success and happiness.

Susi Marlina
President
Colorado-Wyoming Section ITE

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Upcoming Events:

- January 31 - [Vendor Show](#)
 - May 1 - [Spring Transportation Symposium](#)
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2020 Vendor Show



Come learn about the most exciting new developments and trends in transportation technology at our annual vendor show! This year's Vendor Show promises to present you with the technology that will keep you abreast of the latest innovations.

Where: Douglas County Events Center, 500 Fairgrounds Rd, Castle Rock, CO 80104

When: January 31, 2020;

- 9am-11am Technical Session (topics to be announced)
- 11am-2pm Vendor Show & Lunch
- 2pm Happy Hour to follow at adjacent Kirk Hall

Interested in having a booth for your company at the Vendor Show? It's not too late to register as a vendor!

[Click here to Register Now!!](#)

Save the Date - Spring Transportation Symposium May 1



Now Accepting Abstracts!!!

Deadline to submit has been extended to this Friday (01/17)

Join over 600 of the region's transportation planners, engineers, and decision makers on May 1, 2020 from both the public and private sectors to share information and lessons learned from innovative and successful transportation projects throughout the Rocky Mountain region.

[Click here to present your idea or project at this exciting conference!](#)

Also, if you are **interested in sponsoring** the symposium or participating as a vendor, please contact John Hansen at jhansen@2itshelp.com.

[Visit our website for more information on this exciting event!](#)

Legislative Update:

The Colorado Legislative Session started on January 8, 2020. A few key transportation items that are likely to be addressed in this session include the following:

- New options to fund transportation
- RTD Board expansion and increased oversight

Other items that might be of interest, or that could have indirect implications for the industry are:

- Paid Family Leave
- "Get On Your Feet" bill for repayment of first two years of student loans for grads who stay in Colorado
- Addressing Colorado's unpaid fines and suspended licenses
- Revert the standard license plate to green mountains and white sky

Legislative matters can be tracked through the Colorado General Assembly webpage: <https://leg.colorado.gov/>

ITE Mountain District



As you are all hopefully already aware, the new ITE Mountain District website went live on January 1, 2020!

If you haven't already, take a minute to check out the new District website - www.mountainite.org - and follow the new social media pages - [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) - to keep in touch with the Mountain District.

The Colorado/Wyoming Section will continue using our old website platform until the vendor show at the end of this month. We will fully transition to the new platform on

February 1st, so keep an eye out for an exciting new Section website!

Event Recap - December Luncheon:



The December meeting was held on December 13 at The ART Hotel in Denver. Nearly 80 people attended the meeting, which included three speakers and presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award to Greg MacKinnon of DRCOG (see pic).

James Nall spoke about the Safety Circuit Rider program.

Justin Connolly spoke about some of the technical meteorological factors contributing to avalanches.

Jamie Yount spoke about CDOT's avalanche mitigation program, with respect to the record number of avalanches experienced in March 2019.



LAUNCHING SOON!

2020 MENTORING PROGRAM

• OPEN TO STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS
ENROLLMENT FORMS WILL OPEN JAN 27 AND CLOSE FEB 7.

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT THE CO/WY ITE MENTORING PROGRAM CHAIR,
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Scholarship Announcement

Who: Undergraduate and graduate students in transportation-related majors (See application for full eligibility requirements)

What: Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Colorado and Wyoming Section 2020 Scholarships

Where: Scholarship applications available at www.cowyite.org

When: Submit Application by April 1, 2020

Why: Free money!

Scholarships available include:

The ITE CO/WY Undergraduate Level Scholarship - (\$1,000 - \$2,000) per applicant

The ITE CO/WY Graduate Level Scholarship - (\$1,000 - \$2,000) per applicant

The ITE CO/WY Executive Committee Leadership Award - (Undergraduate or Graduate Students) - (\$700 - \$1,000) per applicant

Note: Scholarship awards will be distributed on an annual basis until funds are depleted, the scholarship award will be given in the student's name, and the student at their discretion will use the award amount.

Award recipients will be recognized at the ITE luncheon on Friday, May 15, 2020.

Questions?

Contact the CO/WY ITE Scholarship Committee chair, Alvin Stamp at alvin.stamp@state.co.us or 303.875.9238

Student of the Year Award

Do you know an exceptional student in the transportation field? Consider nominating them for the Student of the Year Award! This award will be presented in May to recognize a notable student member of the Colorado/Wyoming Section, and is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. A broad range of activities and achievements may be recognized through this award, including:

- Dedication to the transportation profession
- Leadership within a Colorado/Wyoming student chapter of ITE
- Leadership in other student organizations and/or activities related to transportation
- Commitment to growing student participation in the Colorado/Wyoming Section
- Participation in research activities and/or publications and presentations
- Dedication and professionalism in a transportation-related internship

Nominees must be a student member of ITE and must be a current undergraduate or graduate student at a school within the states of Colorado and Wyoming. Students who have graduated within the current school year may also be considered. The nomination form can be found on the [Section website](#) and **nominations will be accepted until March 15, 2020.**

The winner of the award will receive a plaque and a \$500 monetary prize at the May CO/WY Section Luncheon. If the winner of the Colorado/Wyoming Section Student of the Year Award chooses to attend the Joint Western/Mountain District Annual Meeting in Honolulu, HI, in June 2020, additional monetary aid will be available for partial reimbursement of registration, travel, and/or lodging costs.

For more information, and to apply, please visit our website. If you have any questions, please contact Victoria Edington at victoria.edington@stantec.com.

Technical Committee Update

December provided two major announcements for our industry.

In mid-December the FCC decided to open the previously transportation-only communication frequency to others. Later in the month FHWA announced that they will now focus on the use of 5G to facilitate the C-V2X architecture for Automated Vehicles.

In January Secretary Chao announced the entire plan for the Connected and Autonomous Vehicle Architecture (AV 4.0) that can be viewed at:

<https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/trump-administration-releases-%E2%80%99Censuring-american-leadership-automated-vehicle>

Employment Opportunities

[Civil Analyst - Transportation/Traffic - Kimley-Horn](#)

[Senior Engineer - City and County of Denver](#)

[Traffic Engineering Technician - City of Broomfield](#)

[Civil Project Manager - Merrick & Company](#)

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