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Spring is on its way...

To start this message, I would like to take the opportunity to draw attention to please take extra precautions with the rapid spread of COVID-19 (corona virus): wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, stay home if you are sick and avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.

Secondly, we have so many exciting events coming up from Ski Trip to the Spring Transportation Symposium. Our next meeting will be the Meet 'n Greet on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at Westin Hotel featuring DEN. Registration information and more details on the meeting are coming soon. I look forward to seeing you there.

Registration is now open for the Annual Golf Tournament! It will take place on Friday, June 5 at Plum Creek Golf Club in Castle Rock.

After months of hard work. We are happy to officially announce the launch of our new website, please check it out at www.cowyite.org

And lastly, our recent Past President, Duane Cleere will call for ITE Colorado/Wyoming Secretary-Treasurer nominations. We have a longstanding tradition of alternating between private and public employees and this year is the public employee year. I had to admit that I was scared to run for the position, and it was one of the best rewarding decisions I have made in my career journey. If you are interested or have someone in mind that you would like to see lead the section in the future, please contact Duane.

Enjoy the end of the winter and the beginning of the spring!

Susi Marlina
President
Colorado-Wyoming Section ITE

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Student of the Year

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.

Upcoming Events:

- April 9 - Meet 'n Greet
- April 11 - Ski Trip
- May 1 - [Spring Transportation Symposium](#)
- June 5 - Golf Tournament


Meet 'n Greet



An evening of food, networking and fun! Look for more information soon.

Venue will be the Westin DIA Hotel. Guest Speakers will include DEN Leadership Team.

ITE/WTS Ski Trip



SAVE THE DATE
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SKI TRIP
SAT. APRIL 11

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Bus to Breckenridge / Copper
Fun for All
More information forthcoming!
Tickets available soon.

Spring Transportation Symposium



Early Bird Registration Closes Friday!!

Date: May 1, 2020

Location: Sheraton Downtown Denver

[Click here to register!](#)

Early Bird Registration Closes Friday!!

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.

Space is running out for sponsorship opportunities, 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!](#)

2020 ITE Golf Tournament



Registration is open - Register now!

Spring is right around the corner and it's time to start dusting off those clubs in preparation for our annual tournament!

The 2020 Colorado/Wyoming Section ITE Annual Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday, June 5th, 2020** at Plum Creek Golf Course in Castle Rock, Colorado. A shotgun start will get things going at 8:00 AM.

The Pete Dye designed Plum Creek Golf Club is a favorite of Castle Rock locals who claim that the final three holes are some of the most challenging in the state. The dramatic elevation changes provide spectacular views of the nearby mountains. The surrounding native landscape at Plum Creek adds color and texture that dramatically contrast with the manicured bent grass fairways and greens.

The cost this year is \$125 per player, which includes golf, carts, range balls, a BBQ luncheon, and our usual assortment of spectacular prizes!

Sponsorships are always appreciated as they help provide participants with excellent on-course and attendance prizes, as well as contribute to the ITE Student Scholarship Fund.

Registration and sponsorships can be found on the [CO/WY ITE website](#).

If you have any questions about the tournament, or for more information regarding sponsorship, please contact Matt Ciarkowski at matt.ciarkowski@kimley-horn.com.

We look forward to seeing you in June at Plum Creek!

Legislative Update:

Funding transportation infrastructure continues to be a concern. A group of 35+ organizations jointly sent a letter to the Colorado General Assembly highlighting how lack of funding is hurting Coloradans - each year Coloradans lose \$7.1 billion due to congested and poorly maintained roads. You can read the [full letter here](#) .

A few funding measures that have been proposed this legislative session and have been defeated include:

- SB20-044 proposed allocating 10 percent of net revenue from sales and use tax, as a portion of the sales and use taxes attributable to the sales or use of vehicles and related items, to be credited to the Highway Users Tax Fund.
- SB20-067 proposed changing the taxable value from manufacturer's suggested retail price to actual purchase price for determining the specific ownership tax.
- SB20-094 proposed adjusting the registration fees for a plug-in electric vehicle to make them roughly equal to those of the combined registration fees and motor fuel taxes levied on internal combustion engine vehicles.

A few bills with funding components that are still under consideration include:

- [SB20-139](#): which would authorize county commissioners and treasurers to adopt underwriting standards to make loans to a governmental entity that is created by or located within the county for funding public infrastructure projects.
- [HB20-1151](#): which would authorize a transportation planning organization (MPO) to exercise the powers of a regional transportation authority (RTA) including the ability to impose various charges, fees, and (with voter approval) visitor benefit, sales and use taxes to generate transportation funding.

A fun reminder...check out the [Great Colorado Payback website](#) to see if you or your company has any "lost" funds that you can claim!

Website is Ready!!!

After a lot of hard work, we are excited to launch our new website for the Colorado/Wyoming ITE Section! It can be accessed by the same URL - www.cowyite.org. The website features our upcoming events, job postings, and more! Take a look around and find the new home for all of the valuable information that you are used to finding on our website.

This website will be more closely correlated to the ITE International membership database. If you are an ITE International member, we urge you to log in to your account and make sure all your information is up to date. Also, please add communications@mountainite.org to your approved email list so that any future communication is not sent to your spam folder.

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

Technical Committee Announcement

Last Monday Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao endorsed a measure to reserve the frequency of 5.9 Hz as a transportation-specific frequency. This has huge impacts on the future of ITS communication, both V2V and V2I. The endorsement was similarly supported by the president. This effort was also endorsed by the majority of state DOTs and ITE/AASHTO

Recap of Mountain District Executive Meeting



The Executive Committee of the new Mountain District of ITE met during the ITE/IMSA Spring Conference in Phoenix on February 26-27, 2020. Colorado-Wyoming Section members Ben Waldman (District Vice President) and Karen Aspelin (District Director) worked with others on the committee to draft the District's policy manual and annual budget. Additionally, each of the District's five committee chairs reported on their activities. During breaks the EC members and committee chairs sold Mountain District stickers and pins to the 600+ conference attendees, bringing in hundreds of dollars for the District's student fund!

IMSA Spring School

Would you like to learn more about traffic signals? Join IMSA (International Municipal Signal Association) for their spring classes. These day-long classes will teach you everything you ever need to know about signals! [More info here](#)

Outstanding Section Award

Our report for the Outstanding Section Award was submitted to the Mountain District on March 3. The Outstanding Section Award was initiated in 1992. It is designed to encourage ITE Sections to participate in activities that are aligned with the purpose and objectives of ITE. Our Section received second place in the Western District in 2019, and thanks to you, our great members, we are hopeful we will win the award this year. We are truly blessed to have many active members who make our events engaging and memorable. The Executive Committee would like to thank you all for your continued support and participation. We have many great things planned in 2020. [Click on the link to view the five-page report](#)

Employment Opportunities

[Traffic Engineer/ Transportation Planner - David Evans and Associates](#)

[Seasonal Traffic Laborer - Douglas County](#)

[Engineering Services Intern - Douglas County](#)

[Engineering Intern \(Traffic\) - Douglas County](#)

[Traffic and Safety Engineer-in-Training, Durango - Colorado DOT](#)

[Engineer-in-Training II, Boulder - Colorado DOT](#)

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