



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, MT ITE!

After a long winter, it's so nice to start welcoming sunshine and warmer weather to Montana. It looks like we'll have a busy season with data collection, field review efforts, and construction projects over the next few months.

To kick off our MT ITE events for the year, Vice President Shae Talley and I presented to the MSU student chapter on April 19th to share some of the exciting projects we're currently working on, including challenges and lessons learned. We had a great dialogue with the students about technical project components and our favorite aspects of working in the transportation field. Afterward, we joined the student/member social and awards presentation. I really enjoyed my conversations with everyone and the opportunity to support students and our younger members.

The Board and our committees continue to be hard at work planning upcoming activities for the year. Thanks again for your participation in our section, and we look forward to seeing you at the next event!

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ITE Montana Section President

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPDATES

Montana ITE 2023 Awards and Social: Congratulations to our 2023 award winners, Ben Meyer and Danae Giannetti! Local Bozeman ITE members, MSU students, and MT ITE Board Members had a great time at our combined spring social and awards presentation. It was great to see folks in person and enjoy a fun gathering!

Montana ITE Spring Technical Session—Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at noon: Please join us for our first technical session of 2023! Candace Mastel with the City of Bozeman will present on transportation demand management, mobility, and safety. Register today!

Mountain District Annual Meeting: The ITE Mountain District Annual meeting is being held in St. George, UT, on June 21-23. This three-day event will offer technical tracks on active transportation, complete streets, fleet electrification, technology solutions, equity, safety, rural roadways, traffic signal design, incident and congestion management, and other topics. Register to network and socialize with other transportation professionals from around the mountain states!



Left: Kerry Lynch, Awards Committee Member, presents 2023 Student Award to Ben Meyer



Right: Kerry presents 2023 Young Professional Award to Danae Giannetti



Bozeman social on April 19, 2023, with Bozeman ITE members, MSU students, and MT ITE Board Members

COMMITTEE UPDATES

We are continuing to seek more volunteers! Please consider joining a committee to build relationships with fellow transportation professionals in Montana and help shape events and benefits for our members. Learn more about each committee at https://mountainite.org/Montana Committees.

- Engagement Committee: We have confirmed multiple speakers for the November 2023 JEC conference, and we plan to offer additional technical programming and social events later this year. Watch for announcements, and contact the Committee Chair (snicolai@rpa-hln.com) to help out!
Local Arrangements Committee (LAC): The LAC has confirmed Big Sky as the venue for our upcoming 2024 Mountain District Annual Meeting. Focus will now shift toward event logistics and securing speakers. More volunteers are needed to plan and host this major event! Reach out to the Committee Chair (dillon.mclain@kljeng.com) to support this effort.
Scholarships and Awards Committee: Following completion of the 2023 MT ITE awards cycle, efforts will turn next to student scholarships. Contact the Committee Chair (srandall@rpa-hln.com) if you'd like to join this group!

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