

2025 Oregon ITE Activities Report

REGULAR MEETINGS

Oregon ITE held 8 regular meetings in 2025 in addition to social and outreach events.

Date	Meeting and Topic
2/27	Meeting #1: Winter Workshop
	• Topic 1: 362nd Paved Shoulders & Safety Improvements ◦ Presenters: Nate Schroeder and Joseph Marek, DKS and Clackamas County • Topic 2: Using High Injury Corridors to Prioritize Safety Projects ◦ Presenters: Lake McTighe and Kate Gregory, Metro • Topic 3: Electrification in Oregon - Next Steps ◦ Presenter: Randy McCourt, Christopher Bame and Hannah Morrison • Topic 4: Integrating Inclusion into Transportation Projects: Why it Matters and How to Make it Happen ◦ Presenters: Johnell Bell and Fabiola Casas, Espousal Strategies • Topic 5: Our Everyday Equity Transportation Design Considerations ◦ Presenter: Robin Lisa Tlehhema, DKS • Topic 6: TPR Guidelines on VMT ◦ Presenter: Zachary Horowitz and Theresa Conley, ODOT • Student Presentations ◦ Evaluation of Existing Vehicle-bicycle Conflicts at Roundabouts in Washington County; Wyatt Brown, OSU ◦ Evaluation of the Reliability and Effectiveness of a Pedestrian Call Extension and Cancellation System at an Actuated Traffic Signal; Syed Baqir, OSU • 69 people attended
3/13	Meeting #2: I-5 over 26th Avenue Bridge Project - Luncheon
	• Presenters: ODOT and DEA • 36 people attended
4/16	Meeting #3: Simcap Subcommittee Luncheon
	• Hosted By: ITE Simcap Subcommittee • Presenters: Kayla Fleskes-Lane & Randy Johnson, DKS; “Analyzing Roundabouts through the Lens of a Roundabout-First Policy - City of Bend Roundabout Design Manual Updates” • 36 people attended
5/16	Meeting #4: Greater Oregon ITE Meeting
	• Hosted by the Greater Oregon Subcommittee • Topic 1: Planning ◦ Todd Johnson, City of Bend; Chris Cheng, ODOT; Bob Townsend, Cascades East Transit • Topic 2: Design ◦ Mirenda Wells, ODOT; David McCurry, Parsons; Blaine Wruck, Deschutes County; Jose Banuelos, HDR; Drew Wells, City of Bend • Topic 3: Construction ◦ Presenters: Dan Serra, Knife River; Jay Johnson, K&E Excavating • Topic 4: Miscellaneous Transportation Topics ◦ Chase Simpson, OSU; Shashwath Sreedhar, GRI; Tom Headley, Century West • 82 People Attended - Sold Out

9/23	Meeting #5: Hybrid Safety Luncheon
	• Hosted at PBOT • Presenters: Kara Hall, PBOT; “Beaverton’s Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program”, Dr. Raul Avelar, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety; “Factors that Influence Roadway Users’ Behaviour at Enhanced Crosswalks” • 40 people attended
10/15	Joint Event with ITS Washington and ISA Meeting #6: Traffic Day, Portland Oregon
	• Hosted by the Oregon ITE Intelligent Transportation Systems Subcommittee, ITS Washington, and IMSA • Topic 1: Introducing the ATC Serial Cabinet ○ Presenters: Matt Zinn, Swarco • Topic 2: Navigating Transit Signal Priority ○ Presenters: Mark Haines, PBOT; Jim Peters, Citizen Engineers • Topic 3: Troubleshooting Traffic Signal Cabinets ○ Presenters: ODOT • Topic 4: Evaluation of New Detection Technologies ○ Presenters: Bikram Raghubansh, PBOT • Topic 5: Q-Free Maxtime Software for Technicians ○ Presenters: Washington County • There were 123 attendees
11/20	Meeting #7: 34th Annual Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl
	• Hosted by the Oregon ITE • Past President presented Oregon ITE project of the year award • Attendees participated in a trivia challenge • 53 students attended the meeting along with 94 professionals attended
12/18	Meeting #8: Sustainability Webinar
	• Hosted by the Oregon ITE Sustainability Committee • Topic: Trash with a Touch of Transportation ○ Presenters: Rick Winterhalter and Tenille Beseda Fillwork, Clackamas County Sustainability and Solid Waste Program

STUDENT/YOUNGER MEMBER SUPPORT

Describe how your Section supported your ITE Students and Younger Members last year. (i.e. scholarships, student leadership summits, mentoring, etc.). Oregon ITE supports, facilitates, and organizes student activities through awards and scholarships, the Annual Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl, outreach for local student chapters, support for the ITE conference travel, and free and discounted events for students. Many Oregon ITE board members serve as mentors to students currently enrolled throughout Oregon, including through the mentorship program hosted by the Oregon State University chapter. In addition, Oregon ITE hosted a student competition to determine a new logo to comply with updated ITE international branding requirements. ITE members were invited to vote on their favorite logo, and the top three students earned cash prizes with Elsa Moreno-Rangel designing the winning logo.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTED

Oregon ITE was proud to award three \$2,500 general scholarships last year for the Oregon ITE scholarship, one to Erika Anderson, an undergraduate at Oregon State University and one to Emilio Calderon, a graduate student at Oregon State University. The section also awarded its Annual Bill Kloos scholarship to Niklas Roethig from Portland State University. This year, Oregon ITE revamped its Awards program with the

inclusion of 4 awards to present at Traffic Bowl. Cadell Chand serves as awards chair. The awards were designed to meet requirements for awards at the district level, and are as follows:

- Outstanding Transportation Professional Award - Jim Peters
- Outstanding Young Professional Award - Evan Delacruz
- Transportation Project of the Year Award - Olney Avenue Improvements Project
- Outstanding Service to the Section Award - No Recipient in 2025

ANNUAL BILL KLOOS TRAFFIC BOWL EVENT

The 34th Annual Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl was an in-person event in 2025 and was held on November 20th in Portland, OR. Student teams from the University of Portland, Oregon Institute of Technology, Gonzaga, Portland State University, University of Washington, and Oregon State University participated, with Oregon State University taking home the win. The event was attended by a record 147 people, 53 of them students from participating colleges. All teams received a cash prize for participating, with the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning higher amounts. This year we were happy to have Gonzaga participate after a few years absent. Student participants attended the Day After Event, which was a guided tour of Mitchell Point Tunnel facilitated by DEA and Andy Sullivan, with DEA sponsoring the student lunch.

SUPPORT AND OUTREACH FOR LOCAL STUDENT CHAPTERS

Oregon ITE provides financial support to encourage students' participation in all events held by our Section by waiving annual membership dues, offering free registrations to all Section events, and providing grants to student chapters to support their activities. Oregon ITE conducts outreach to local ITE Student Chapters to introduce students to the transportation planning and engineering profession and provide a connection to the professional organization. Last year Oregon ITE was able to conduct four outreach events in 2025 including:

- **University of Portland**, at the University, 1/24/25 - Andy Sullivan spoke as a guest lecturer in a transportation engineering course attended by approximately 14 students on the Burnside Bridge replacement project.
- **Oregon State University**, Corvallis, 1/28/25 - Andy Sullivan spoke as a guest during a student ITE meeting with approximately 22 attendees. Primary subject matter of the presentation was the Burnside Bridge replacement project.
- **Oregon Institute of Technology**, Klamath Falls, 07/10/2025: Andy Sullivan spoke as a guest lecturer in a transportation engineering course attended by approximately 15 students. Primary subject matter of the presentation was the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge project.
- **Portland State University**, at The Portland Building, 11/13/2025: For the fourth year in a row, Portland State opted to have their student outreach event take place at the Portland Building. The event was attended by approximately 20 PSU students and a handful of PBOT interns. The technical presentation was led by PBOT Capital Project Manager Bryan Poole and focused on PBOT's 122nd Ave Safe Streets for All project.

APPLICATION OF TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

Did your Section, for example, address a local transportation issue or collaborate with industry on a project or program. The section helped solicit survey responses for university research projects.

NETWORKING EVENTS

Did your Section hold any networking events? Describe any events that would have led to a particularly meaningful experience for members. Oregon ITE holds monthly board meetings to coordinate our volunteer officers in better serving our section members and traditionally host quarterly networking events. The Oregon ITE board held 11 regular board meetings and 7 networking events for our members. Three events were stand-alone social events (see below) while other networking events were included as happy hours after workshops or as part of the annual Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl.

Date	Event Name	Location	Attendance
2/12	ASCE/APWA and Oregon ITE Joint Happy Hour	Level Up Arcade - Eugene, OR	20
4/11	Oregon ITE Happy Hour	Hotel Zags - Portland	30
9/12	ITE Oregon: Pitch and Putt at McMenamins Edgefield Golf Course	Portland, OR	20

K-12 STEM OUTREACH

Did your Section participate in any K-12 STEM Outreach events? Yes, Oregon ITE hosted Oregon MESA at Traffic Bowl to help raise money for the organization. Attendees were encouraged to donate to MESA and those that did were entered into a raffle for a 3 section traffic signal. This is the third year MESA attended Traffic Bowl and we continue to strengthen our relationship with them. We are looking for additional partnership opportunities with MESA and ways in which our members can help support their STEM events. Additionally, ITE hosted a booth at the ASCE Future Engineers Day fair, where Oregon ITE was able to connect with Oregon high school students and tell them about transportation engineering careers.

NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT

Did your Section have a member recruitment event or another method of attracting potential new members? Yes, Oregon ITE members reach out to colleagues to personally invite others to join events and volunteer. Email newsletters and social media are also used to reach out to new members and continue to keep our members in the loop. Oregon ITE made a point to have a variety of topics for our webinars and luncheons to engage a broad and varied audience. Oregon ITE reached out to Oregon universities through in-person informational sessions and activities such as the Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl to encourage student membership. Oregon ITE involves student representatives of Oregon universities in board meetings to provide updates on student chapter events and keep students informed about section activities and scholarships. Many meetings and events in 2025 had record attendance.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

How did your Section attempt to both diversity participation and encourage an inclusive environment? This can be described demographically as well as through activities that encourage the engagement of various people including Public Agencies, women, planners, and younger member communities. Recognizing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion as an integral part of our profession and society, the section is working to define the role of Oregon ITE's DEI sub-committee and is seeking a new sub-committee chair as the past chair stepped down in 2022. The section hopes to learn more from ITE International's current effort to develop this focus area.

TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Did your Section host any training events for your members or conduct an educational opportunity? Yes, most Section meetings feature technical presentations and include professional development hours. Please see the descriptions of the events included in the Meetings section for additional information.

WEBINAR SERIES

The Oregon ITE records all meetings and workshops and includes those recordings on the Section's website for members to view throughout the year.

FIELD TRIPS/TECHNICAL TOURS

Did your Section go on any field trips or technical tours? Yes, the section hosted a technical tour of Mitchell Point Tunnel jointly with WTS on June 13 for 17 attendees. Participants carpooled to the tour location which is

one hour from Portland. They also addressed the bird and plant mitigation efforts implemented to minimize impacts to local wildlife and surrounding habitats. This tour was very well received and appreciated for its informative and engaging presentation.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Did your Section participate in any community service projects? Oregon ITE planned a tree planting event with Friends of Trees which was canceled due to weather and will be rescheduled for 2026.

FUNDING SUPPORT

Do you raise funds outside of dues and events to reinvest in your members? Yes. Each winter board members contact local transportation consultants, data collection firms, and vendors for support and are overwhelmed by the showing of support we receive from our wonderful sponsors. Oregon ITE collected \$16,500 in sponsorship funds from 14 different sponsors. The majority funds went directly back to members by subsidizing events and supporting our student chapters through efforts mentioned previously.

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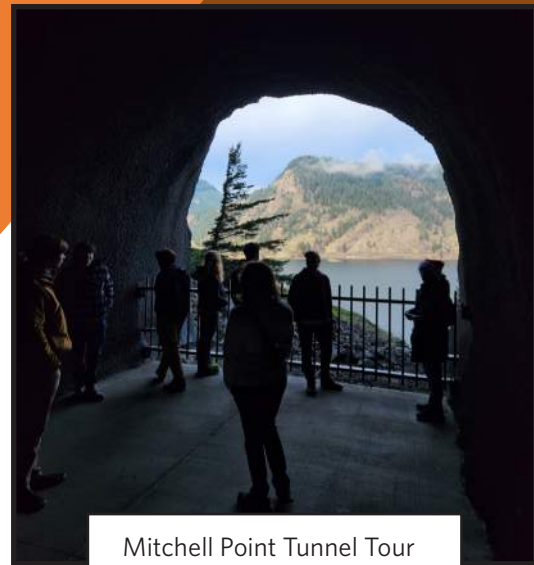
How does your Section support members interested in LeadershipITE? How does your Section integrate its Alumni? While no Oregon member utilized it in 2025, Oregon ITE maintains a line item in its budget to support future section members participating in LeadershipITE.

ADVOCACY

Did your Section engage in any activities to educate and inform members about issues, legislation, and/or regulations that might impact the transportation industry? Yes, Oregon ITE provides members with legislative updates via email newsletter and the Oregon ITE website. Additionally, Cadell Chand and Dongmei Lin represent Oregon ITE as members of the Oregon Traffic Control Devices Committee (OTCDC). OTCDC provides a forum for state, city and county traffic engineers to enhance traffic safety through the promotion of uniform traffic engineering practices in Oregon.



April Safety Luncheon



Mitchell Point Tunnel Tour
DAY AFTER TRAFFIC BOWL



Future Engineers Day



Traffic Bowl - Winners!



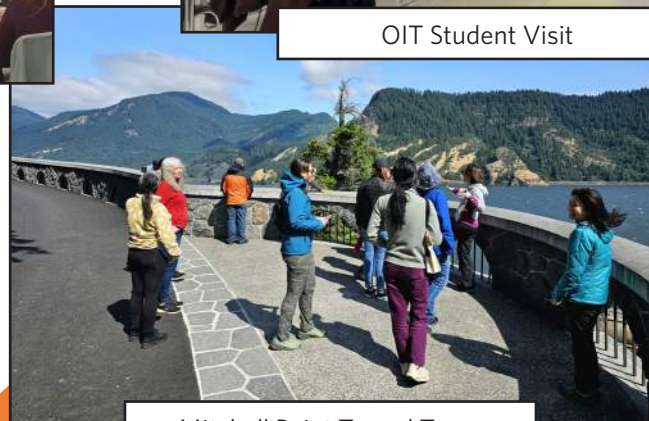
Project of the Year



OIT Student Visit



Winterhawks Game



Mitchell Point Tunnel Tour