

# PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Traffic Engineering and Safety Conference

October 17 & 18, 2018

With Pre-Conference Activities on October 16

**Tuesday, October 16**

## Pre-Conference

- **Synchro Software Overview**  
Christopher B Burke Engineering, LTD
- **Implementing Strategic Highway Safety Plan**  
Jon McCormick  
Safety Policy & Initiatives Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Springfield, IL
- **ITE Student Chapter Golf Outing-12:00-5:00 pm at the University of Illinois Orange Course**
- **Welcome Reception at Houlihan's @ the I Hotel-5:30-7:30 pm**

**Wednesday, October 17**

**7:00 am**      **Registration and Coffee/Breakfast in Exhibit Hall**  
**Illinois Ballroom**

**General Session**  
**Chancellor Ballroom**

**Moderator: Erin Aleman, Director of Programming and Planning, IDOT, Springfield, IL**

**9:00 am**      **Opening Remarks**  
**Ray Benekohal**  
**Conference Director and Professor, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering**  
**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
**Urbana, IL**

**9:05 am**      **Jane Byrne (Circle) Interchange Project Update**  
**Brian Kuttab**  
**Project Manager**  
**Illinois Department of Transportation**  
**Schaumburg, IL**

**Eric Ray**  
**Resident Engineer**  
**Illinois Department of Transportation**  
**Schaumburg, IL**

**9:50 am**      **Tollway Update/For Safer Roads: Give them the Distance**  
**Paul Kovacs**  
**Chief Engineering Officer**  
**Illinois Tollway**  
**Downers Grove, Illinois**

**10:30 am**      **Break**

**11:00 am**      **USDOT Update**  
**Renee Sigel**  
**Office of Safety, FHWA**  
**Washington, DC**

**11:35 am**      **Illinois DOT Update**  
**Randy Blankenhorn**  
**Illinois Department of Transportation**  
**Springfield, IL**

**12:10 pm**      **Luncheon- Illinois Transportation Crossroads**  
**to**                      **Moderator: Maureen Kastl**  
**1:35 pm**

**Mike Matejka**  
**Governmental Affairs Director**  
**Great Plains Laborers District Council**  
**Bloomington, IL**

**Safety Performance & Services  
Lincoln Ballroom**

**Moderator: TBD**

- 1:45 pm      Advanced Technologies for preventing Work Zone Intrusions**  
**Gary Kimberg**  
**President**  
**Astro Optics PLC**  
**Elgin, IL**
- 2:20 pm      Effectiveness of Rumble Strips on Rural Two-lane Roads**  
**Kim Kolody**  
**Program Manager**  
**Jacobs**  
**Springfield, IL**
- 2:55 pm      Break**
- 3:25 pm      Electronic Crash Reporting**  
**TBD**
- 4:00 pm      IDOT Fatality Reduction Task Force**  
**Allison Schmidt**  
**Assistant to the Director, Finance and Administration**  
**Illinois Department of Transportation**  
**Springfield, IL**
- 4:35 pm      Seat Belt Use a Generation Later (Historical Perspective)**  
  
**Mehdi Nassirpour**  
**Manager of the Evaluation Section**  
**Illinois Department of Transportation**  
**Springfield, IL**
- 5:10 pm      Poster Session and Reception**

**Operations & Management  
Chancellor Ballroom**

**Moderator: David Marth, President, IACE, Greene County Engineer, Carrolltton, IL**

- 1:45 pm      Technology and Innovation Applied to the Interstate Resurfacing Project  
John Clinnin  
Vice President, Director of Transportation & Infrastructure  
Wight & Company  
Darien, IL**
- 2:20 pm      Construction Techniques that Reduce Congestion (CIR)  
Aaron Osman  
Recycle Representative  
Dunn Co.  
Decatur, IL**
- 2:55 pm      Break**
- 3:25 pm      Illinois Route 13 Construction  
Carrie Nelsen  
Program Development Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Carbondale, IL**
- 4:00 pm      Accessing and Using Roadway and Crash Data  
Tom Casson  
County Engineer  
Menard County Highway Department/IACE  
Petersburg, Illinois**
- Doug Keirn  
Programming Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Springfield, IL**
- 4:35 pm      Driving in Ireland  
Dennis Bachman  
Asset Management/Pavement & Materials Engineer  
FHWA, IL Division  
Springfield, IL**
- 5:10 pm      Poster Session and Reception**

**Traffic/Signal  
Alma Mater Room**

**Moderator: Lisa Heaven-Baum, Acting Bureau Chief of Traffic Operations, IDOT, Springfield, IL**

**1:45 pm IDOT Guidelines for Crosswalks at Uncontrolled Locations/RRFBs  
Kyle Armstrong  
Engineer of Traffic Operations  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Springfield, IL**

**Marshall Metcalf  
Project Implementation Unit Chief  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Springfield, IL**

**2:20 pm IDOT Update- Intelligent Transportation Systems Projects  
Terrence Heffron  
ITS Unit Manager  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Schaumburg, IL**

**Kevin Price  
ITS Operations Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Schaumburg, IL**

**2:55 pm Break**

**3:25 pm Pedestrian/Pedalcycle Safety from both Engineering Safety and Policy Perspectives  
Jon McCormick  
Safety Policy & Initiatives Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Springfield, IL**

**4:00 pm TBD**

**4:35 pm High Risk Drivers and Serious/Fatal Crashes  
TBD**

**5:10 pm Poster Session and Reception**

**Thursday, October 18**

**General Session  
Chancellor Ballroom**

**Moderator: Abraham Emmanuel, Deputy Commissioner, CDOT, Chicago, IL**

**8:00 am Transportation Law Updates in Illinois  
Master Sergeant Joe Hutchins  
Illinois State Police  
Springfield, IL**

**Lieutenant John Thompson  
Illinois State Police  
Springfield, IL**

**8:35 am Collaboration between Insurance Companies and DOTs  
TBD**

**9:10 am Truck/Freight Updates  
Matt Hart  
Executive Director  
Illinois Truckers Association  
Springfield, IL**

**9:45 am National Safety Council  
TBD**

**10:25 am Break**

**10:40 am CMAP Presentation on the ON TO 2050 Regional Comprehensive Plan  
Jesse Elam  
Deputy Executive Director/Policy and Programming  
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning  
Chicago, IL**

**11:20 am Connected/Autonomous Vehicles  
TBD**

**12:00 pm Evaluations & Adjourn**