ITE’s Council Leadership Team Names Preemption of Traffic Signals Near Railroad Grade Crossings as the 2022 Best Project and Recognizes Luana Broshears with the Outstanding Volunteer Award

The Institute of Transportation Engineers’ (ITE) Council Leadership Team (CLT) provides leadership and coordination of activities across ITE’s council to help provide value to the committees and the membership at-large. Each year the CLT awards two prestigious honors: Best Project and Outstanding Volunteer. The Best Project Award recognizes the best technical project resulting from work developed, completed and sponsored by an ITE Council or Committee while the Outstanding Volunteer Award is given to an individual that has demonstrated significant and sustained volunteer performance in ITE technical activities.

2022 Best Project Award: Preemption of Traffic Signals Near Railroad Grade Crossings

The Council Leadership Team has chosen the Preemption of Traffic Signals Near Railroad Grade Crossings recommended practice as the 2022 Best Project. The CLT recognizes the primary authors and members of ITE’s Joint Rail Grade Crossing Committee: Tom Lancaster, P.E., PTOE; Karen Hankinson, P.E.; Brent Ogden, P.E., PTOE; Jason L. Field, P.E.; Rick Campbell; and Douglas E. Noble, P.E., PTOE. While public agencies have practices or procedures on the preemption of traffic signals near railroad grade crossings, there have been significant advances in engineering and technology since the 2006 edition. This Recommended Practice reflects the current state-of-the-practice and provides a broad overview of key considerations. Access it here.

2022 Outstanding Volunteer Award: Luana Clara Ozelim Broshears, PhD, P.E., PTOE, RSP2I

The Council Leadership Team 2022 Outstanding Volunteer Award recipient is Luana Clara Ozelim Broshears, PhD, P.E., PTOE, RSP2I. Luana’s sustained commitment to the ITE Safety Council, where she has been a valued asset to the Executive Committee since 2018. She has been a tireless champion of the Safety Council’s work and an exemplary volunteer.

Luana joined ITE’s staff as Planning and Safety Director earlier this month. We are thrilled to have the ITE Council Leadership Team’s Outstanding Volunteer as part of our team, and we look forward to tapping into her expertise and in-depth experience as an ITE volunteer to continue to enhance our member service. Congratulations and welcome, Luana!

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