

2026 Resilience GIG Action Plan

Chair: Aimee Flannery, Jacobs

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Overview

Resilience GIG

- **Guiding Principle:**

Resilience was identified as a developing trend in January 2024. In response, a Plenary session was held in July 2024 at ITE's Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. In October 2024, ITE published a resilience focused edition of the ITE Journal, with multiple articles on the implementation and challenges of incorporating resilience from natural and direct threats into decision making.

- **Goals:**

The Resilience GIG will facilitate practitioners' awareness, education, and use of resilience considerations in day-to-day activities. The GIG will aim to better understand the ability of transportation systems to withstand and rebound from natural and direct threats, communicate the vulnerabilities of the system from natural and direct threats, and consider management and investment strategies to reduce vulnerabilities.

- **Website Link:**

<https://www.ite.org/councils/great-idea-groups/transportation-resilience/>

Leadership

Executive Leadership

Position	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Email
Chair	Aimee Flannery	9/1/2025	12/31/2028	aimee.flannery@jacobs.com
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Webinar Program Coordinator	Beverly Kuhn	n/a	n/a	beverlykuhn@c-dexadvisors.com
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ITE Staff Liaison	Matt Hardy	n/a	n/a	mhardy@ite.org

Notes:

1. Identify your leadership pipeline and who will likely take over once the current leadership tenure is finished?
2. Identify additional leadership positions that are critical to running the council by adding rows.

Activities

New Activities

Title	Project Type	Description	Publication Date: Proposed	Project Champion
What Does Resilience Mean to You?	Webinar that moves into a Quick Bite summary	This session will be an opportunity for ITE members to tell us what transportation resilience means to them and what resources they need. The conference session will be turned into a Quick Bite.	March 2026	Rachel McGuire Christy Yeon
Defining Transportation Resilience PART OF THE TECHNICAL BRIEF	Quick Bite	Follow-on to the ITE Journal (October 2024) to provide definitions, examples, and resources related to the topic of transportation resilience	May 2026	
TBD	Conference Session	TBD	July 2026	
TSMO and Resilience	Conference Session (Workshop)	Workshop on the topic of transportation resilience and transportation operations. Developed in cooperations with NOCoE and TSMO Council Doing a virtual peer exchange	July 2026	
Transportation Resilience Case Studies	Quick Bites	Begin to create these. Case studies from Florida and North Carolina.	April 2026	
Educator Resources for Transportation Resilience Concepts				
Transportation Resilience Primer	Technical Brief	Defining resilience (coastal...cyber...natural hazards...network) Overview/examples of what is transportation resilience Case Studies: Various examples. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PROTECT formula grant case studies Resources: USDOT, NCHRP, etc. Tools Start at a larger perspective	November 2025	Matt Hardy Joe Gregory Aimee Flannery (women in email) Lindsev Van

Webinars Ideas

Number of Webinars Planned: 2

#	Title/Topic	Short Description	Requested Date	Webinar Lead Contact	Council Level or Committee Name
1	Back to Basics on Transportation Resilience	Partnership with YMC Resilience Overview Natural Hazards/Threats Cyber Resilience Network/Operational Resilience	Later spring 2026	Rachel McGuire (Beverly Kuhn)	Resilience GIG
2	Agency Webinar Focus	Focus on how agencies are implementing resilience	Fall/Winter 2026	Beverly Kuhn	Resilience GIG

Notes:

1. Title/Topic and Short Description can be completed based upon how much information is known at the time.
2. If specific topics are not yet identified, simply say how many you plan to do.
3. Requested Date can be quarter, month, time of year, etc.
4. Webinar Lead Contact should be the person responsible for coordinating the delivery of the overall webinar.

Meetings

GIG Meetings for 2026 - Leadership

Leadership/Executive Meetings			
Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In-Person)	Owner (Who will own the calendar invite?)	Meeting Purpose

Notes:

1. Councils are encouraged to have regular meeting of the leadership.
2. Leadership Meetings WILL NOT be posted to the ITE/Council/Committee calendar of events unless the leader
3. Recurring meetings can be listed as “Recurring: 2nd Tuesday of the Month” for example.

GIG Meetings for 2026 - Membership

Membership Meetings			
Specific Meeting Date	Meeting Platform (Virtual/In-Person/Hybrid)	Owner (Who will own the calendar invite?)	Meeting Purpose or Other Notes (Business Meeting/Showcase, etc.)
January 2026/TRB AM (TBD)	Hybrid	Matt Hardy	Showcase and Business Meeting
February 20, 2026 2:00pm to 3:30pm ET	Virtual (Zoom Link)	Matt Hardy	General Membership Meeting
May 14, 2026 2:00pm to 3:30pm ET	Virtual (Zoom Link)	Matt Hardy	General Membership Meeting
July 2026/ITE AM (TBD)	Hybrid	Matt Hardy	Showcase and Business Meeting
November 12, 2026 2:00pm to 3:30pm ET	Virtual (Zoom Link)	Matt Hardy	General Membership Meeting