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MACOMB COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ROADS RECEIVES THE BEST PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS

TORONTO, ON CANADA — Macomb County Department of Roads, Traffic Operations Center Mount Clemens, Michigan, USA received the Best Project Achievement Award at the Joint ITE/CITE 2017 Annual Meeting and Exhibit, held July 30–August 2, in Toronto, ON, Canada.

Through the conceptualization and realization of several Transportation Systems Management and Operations projects over the past decade, the Macomb County Department of Roads (MCDR) serves as a model for transportation agencies as they work to address the challenges of traffic management and operations. Opened in 2013, Macomb County's Communications and Technology Center (COMTEC) exemplifies the collaborative approach that the County has taken to integrate its public services. COMTEC houses the MCDR Traffic Operations Center (TOC), allowing TOC personnel to sit alongside emergency dispatchers and information technology personnel, resulting in greater levels of coordination. MCDR has also implemented several tools to help centralize its traffic management capabilities. This includes closed loop traffic signal systems, a robust field communications infrastructure, and advanced traffic management system software.

The TOC also applies strategic management practices, like the assignment of "Zone Engineers" that are responsible for a particular area within the County's jurisdiction. This allows the engineers to become experts in that particular area (as opposed to the entire county).

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